



利記控股有限公司 LEE KEE HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(於開曼群島註冊成立之有限公司)

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Annual Report
2019/2020
年報



We Create **VALUE**
SOLUTIONS
for Metals

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SOLUTIONS
FOR METALS

To move on ahead of the changing environment, LEE KEE's strategic direction of expanding the scope of its business creates solutions for its customers to excel in the market.

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Corporate Information

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Executive Directors

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CHAN Yuen Shan Clara

(*Vice Chairman of the Board and CEO*)

CHAN Ka Chun Patrick

OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian

Independent Non-executive Directors

CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy

HO Kwai Ching Mark

TAI Lun Paul

COMPANY SECRETARY

CHEUK Wa Pang (*CPA (HKICPA), FCCA, ACA*)

AUDIT COMMITTEE

CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy

(*Chairman of the Audit Committee*)

HO Kwai Ching Mark

TAI Lun Paul

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

HO Kwai Ching Mark

(*Chairman of the Remuneration Committee*)

CHAN Pak Chung

CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

CHAN Pak Chung

(*Chairman of the Nomination Committee*)

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STOCK CODE

637

WEBSITE OF THE COMPANY

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Corporate Structure

(operating companies as at 31.03.2020)



(Cayman Islands)



(HK)



* 75% owned



***STRONG
FOUNDATION***

***TO OVERCOME
CHALLENGES***



With our strong corporate governance, unparalleled expertise and experience in the industry, along with a committed and dedicated team, we are confident to cope with the current challenge and continue to deliver value to our stakeholders.



Chairman's Statement

With a sharp focus on business growth, the Group will continue to execute our strategies with unparalleled agility to stay at the forefront of the competitive edge.

CHAN Pak Chung
Chairman



DEAR SHAREHOLDERS,

As we enter a new decade, businesses around the world face many challenges: trade tensions, supply chain interruptions, weakening of customer demand and increased uncertainty. The 2019-20 financial year was a year in which we had to navigate a disrupted world, continuing to evolve and adapt LEE KEE Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively "LEE KEE" or the "Group" or "we") to an unprecedented environment.

The social, economic and financial upheavals affected the normal operations of the industrial sectors. Lee Kee was no exceptions. The difficult and complicated market environment brought pressure to the industry and cast a significant impact on demand of metals, posing a challenge to the Group's performance.

Chairman's Statement

Lee Kee has always been able to navigate the turbulent times with resilience and innovative spirit. Instead of “battening down the hatches” and focusing solely on today’s problems, we recognize the opportunities presented along with risks. The Group proactively plans for the changed marketplace that would emerge to achieve business and geographical diversities. We integrate ESG into our sustainable business model to capture the trends on this front. Our unceasing efforts in developing new products and services is also an integral part of our preparation for changes. We do not fear changes and we are not feared to change. With a sharp focus on business growth, the Group will continue to execute our strategies with unparalleled agility to stay at the forefront of the competitive edge.

To sustain a leading market position in today’s environment warrants not only the will to adapt to change but also greater diligence and skills. Lee Kee accelerated its pace of adopting technologies, gearing up product and market development, and strengthening our relationship with customers and various stakeholders to ensure we are best placed to come through the bad times re-energised and fit for the future. In the past Financial Year, we made investments in technology to improve our digital communications, knowledge and data management, and operation efficiency. All these digitalization initiatives help adapt our business models to enhance customer experience, differentiate us in the marketplace and minimize disruptions in unforeseeable circumstances.

By challenging the traditional ways of doing things, by capturing business opportunities in different industries in Greater China and Southeast Asia, by meeting the evolving needs in the market, Lee Kee positions itself to emerge strongly when economic conditions improve. The Group will continue to bring in innovations, building a solid platform for our business to grow further and thrive for coming decades. The Group will continue to look for growth opportunities to boost its sales, increasing its market share and profitability.

The swift and massive shock of the COVID-19 pandemic and shutdown measures have plunged the global economy into a severe contraction. The depth and duration of the downturn will depend on many factors, including the public health response, behaviour of the virus, and government economic stimulus. Given the headwinds we are facing, Lee Kee’s performance is likely to be impacted in the coming year. However, with our solid foundation, strong corporate governance, unparalleled expertise and experience in the industry, along with a committed and dedicated team, we are confident to cope with the current challenge and continue to deliver value to our stakeholders.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to our valued customers, suppliers and business partners and LEE KEE’s employees and management team for their support during this Year.

CHAN Pak Chung

Chairman

29th June 2020

The background features a complex, layered geometric design. It consists of numerous overlapping, semi-transparent planes in shades of light gray, white, and pale blue. A prominent, bright red outline traces a jagged, multi-sided path across the composition, framing the central text. The overall effect is one of dynamic movement and modern architectural style.

EVOLVING

BUSINESS STRATEGY



By challenging the traditional ways of doing things, by capturing business opportunities, by meeting the evolving needs in the market, Lee Kee will continue to bring in innovations, building a solid platform for our business to grow.



CEO Message

We will not shy away from business transformation, innovation and improving ourselves at every level – in line with our mission of ‘creating value solutions for metals’.

CHAN Yuen Shan Clara

Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer



The external environment throughout the 2019/2020 financial year was highly challenging. Ongoing global trade tensions and the slowing economy continued to depress confidence and negatively impact the prospects for both metals and manufacturing industries. This was compounded by the outbreak of COVID-19, which practically shut down manufacturing activity and triggered social and economic “lockdowns”, pushing the global economy into a downturn.

On one hand, this means it is not possible to accurately project market demand in the coming months in these extraordinary times. On the other, all of this means that CHANGE is happening even faster, further underscoring the importance of the strategic changes we are implementing at LEE KEE. Over the past few years, we have been executing strategies to achieve diversification, sustainability and business resilience to stay agile to address the challenges that may arise.

We seek diversification in terms of revenue streams, markets and services. We continued to deepen our ability to serve markets in Southeast Asia to capture the promising potentials in Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam. Our subsidiary, Promet Metals Testing Laboratory Limited recently launched water quality testing services while another subsidiary, Promet Consultancy Company Limited conducted advanced training courses for die casting, both of which have good potentials to become our new revenue streams. We also continued to work with renowned brands and come up with special alloys and innovative services to cater to the advanced manufacturing needs. We will stay relevant to our customers by providing them with high-quality bespoke products and services.



CEO Message

The market-led forces that are propelling the sustainability movement will continue to gain momentum. As a sustainable business, LEE KEE not only wants to meet the needs of customers today but also their needs well into the future. We started to take the initiative years ago and are still investing great efforts in Environmental, Social and Governance by promoting sustainable alloys, digitalisation and establishing strong community bonds. We participated actively in global industry associations like the International Zinc Association in outlining SDG roadmaps while supporting CSR activities in our local communities. We also continued to boost transparency and diversity in the area of corporate governance.

With its roots in Hong Kong, LEE KEE will remain resilient, possessing the ability to withstand and bounce back from adversity. Our business model is evolving into one that emphasises speed and market responsiveness. We are driving continuous improvements in our operations, product and customer service quality and efficiency to secure our market position and enhance our competitiveness. We will not shy away from business transformation, innovation and improving ourselves at every level – in line with our mission of ‘creating value solutions for metals’.

Last but not least, in response to the challenges posed by COVID-19, LEE KEE has taken measures to help protect our people and ensure a safe and stable supply to our customers. Our IT infrastructure were upgraded to allow staff in Hong Kong and our regional offices to work from home while staying safe and connected. Our suppliers and service partners also took appropriate measures to maintain high standards of hygiene, maintaining our normal operations with minimal disruption.

The coming financial year is set to be no less challenging than 2019/2020. The international business environment had already been destabilized because of trade tensions, and the pandemic adds new layers of complexity and uncertainty. If the pandemic continues to spread, so will the impact to global market and the Group’s business. The Group has prepared to navigate through this turbulent time. Looking ahead, our ability to leverage our core competencies and execute on the above key elements of our strategy will ensure that our business sustains and prospers in the medium and long-term. When the economic clouds start to clear, we will emerge as a stronger, more confident and pioneering company. I hope that you will continue to support us on this journey.

CHAN Yuen Shan Clara

Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

29th June 2020



SUSTAINABILITY
LEADERSHIP



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Financial Summary

Following is a summary of the consolidated results and of the consolidated assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years presented on a basis as stated in the note below:

CONSOLIDATED RESULTS

	Year ended 31st March				
	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Revenue	1,864,166	2,276,977	2,711,441	2,110,721	2,122,954
(Loss)/Profit before income tax	(123,394)	(81,695)	95,561	45,107	(113,668)
Income tax expense	(4,763)	(4,965)	(5,408)	(3,611)	(3,104)
(Loss)/Profit for the year	(128,157)	(86,660)	90,153	41,496	(116,772)
Attributable to:					
Equity shareholders of the Company	(128,057)	(86,652)	90,153	41,496	(116,772)
Non-controlling interests	(100)	(8)	–	–	–
	(128,157)	(86,660)	90,153	41,496	(116,772)

CONSOLIDATED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	As at 31st March				
	2020 HK\$'000	2019 HK\$'000	2018 HK\$'000	2017 HK\$'000	2016 HK\$'000
Total non-current assets	108,904	129,488	123,303	140,234	143,631
Total current assets	947,622	1,172,192	1,346,261	1,131,778	1,022,990
Total assets	1,056,526	1,301,680	1,469,564	1,272,012	1,166,621
Total non-current liabilities	19,396	19,608	18,130	19,732	20,941
Total current liabilities	174,317	271,892	341,203	204,014	138,287
Total liabilities	193,713	291,500	359,333	223,746	159,228
Net assets	862,813	1,010,180	1,110,231	1,048,266	1,007,393

Management Discussion and Analysis

OVERALL BUSINESS PERFORMANCE

Financial Performance

The year ended 31st March 2020 was another challenging one for the Group. Its performance continued to be affected by an unfavourable global macro-economy, particularly trade tensions between the U.S. and China, as well as declining metal prices, especially the declining price for LEE KEE's main product, zinc.

The Group's revenue for the Financial Year was approximately HK\$1,864 million, a decline of 18.1% compared to revenue of approximately HK\$2,277 million earned in the year ended 31st March 2019 (the "Comparative Period"). The tonnage sold by the Group during the Financial Year was 89,460 tonnes, compared to 94,250 tonnes in the Comparative Period.

The Group recorded a gross profit of approximately HK\$2 million and a gross profit margin of 0.10% for the Financial Year, compared to a gross profit of approximately HK\$39 million for the Comparative Period. The Group recorded a loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company of approximately HK\$128 million during the Financial Year, compared to a loss of approximately HK\$87 million during the Comparative Period.

The loss was mostly attributed to the continued fall in global metal prices, particularly the price of zinc, which lowered the overall gross profit of the sales transactions made during the Financial Year. The Group's financial performance was also adversely impacted by the global macro-economic environment, particularly the heightened trade tensions between the U.S. and China which slowed demand in China – the Group's largest market – in the final months of the Financial Year.

Both global zinc and nickel prices fell steadily throughout most of the Financial Year, despite some volatility. Zinc prices were volatile between October 2019 and the end of January 2020 before levelling off after the 'Phase One' trade deal was reached between the U.S. and China. Nickel prices surged during the first half of the Financial Year in response to supply constraints. However, both zinc and nickel prices then fell during the last two months of the Financial Year as the COVID-19 pandemic impacted manufacturing activity.

Distribution and selling expenses for the Financial Year were around HK\$24 million, a decrease of 15.7% compared to the Comparative Period. The decrease was primarily attributed to the lower tonnage sold during the Financial Year. The Group's administrative expenses in the Financial Year fell 4.4% to around HK\$83 million compared to the Comparative Period.

Management Discussion and Analysis

The Group recorded other net losses of approximately HK\$18 million during the Financial Year, compared to other net losses of approximately HK\$3 million during the Comparative Period. The change in other losses was mainly attributed to an impairment loss of approximately HK\$17 million in property, plant and equipment recognized during the Financial Year.

The Group's finance costs for the Financial Year fell by 41.0% to approximately HK\$6 million due to lower bank borrowings maintained during the Financial Year.

The Group continues to retain a healthy financial position, with bank balances and cash on hand of approximately HK\$306 million as of 31st March 2020.

Business Review

A leading solutions provider for metals

Since LEE KEE's founding more than 70 years ago, it has built an unparalleled reputation based on quality, innovation, professionalism and its wide network across all facets of the global metals industry.

Securing its rank among the world's premier metal players, LEE KEE was the first company in Hong Kong to be admitted as a Category 5 Associate Trade Member of the London Metal Exchange ("LME"). The Group's membership of this exclusive industry body was a milestone for its ongoing strategy of "Creating Value" for the users of metals. LEE KEE's subsidiary, Promet Metals Testing Laboratory Limited ("Promet Lab") is one of the approved LME Listed Samplers and Assayers, raising Promet Lab's international profile in the area of metals testing and certification.

The Group's long-term competitiveness rests on an enterprise-wide ability to absorb uncertainty and incorporate lessons into the operating model quickly. In addition to its metals distribution and production business, the Group has been a forerunner in introducing a range of value-added services, including research and development, alloy customisation, metals testing and technical consultancy. To move on ahead of the changing environment, LEE KEE's strategic direction of expanding the scope of its business creates solutions for its customers to excel in the market.

Improving Competitiveness in Southeast Asia

The Group currently operates two offices in Singapore and Malaysia, along with a representative office in Thailand, which support both domestic sales as well as sales in Vietnam, India and Bangladesh. Throughout the Financial Year, the Group strengthened its collaboration with local partners to enhance its service offerings and competitiveness in the region. COVID-19 related factory shutdowns in February and March 2020 weakened the demand across the Southeast Asian countries, affecting the Group's performance in the fourth quarter of the financial year.

Management Discussion and Analysis

Catering to the High-growth Sector in the PRC Economy

China continued to be the largest market for the Group's metal products and services during the Financial Year. Its customers are mostly the end-users of metals, namely die-casters, manufacturers and brand owners covering a wide spectrum of industries. The Group also supplies special alloys that meet the high-quality standards of innovative manufacturers, particularly in the areas of consumer electronics and telecommunications, who are leading the world in developing the metals-dependent equipment needed for the coming 5G era.

The Group's own branded metals, namely Genesis, Mastercast and LMP, also experienced steady growth. Genesis' quality and reliability is widely recognised in the PRC, having won the Best Zinc Alloy Brand award for two consecutive years. Sales of the Group's aluminium alloy brand, LMP, escalated following a new market positioning strategy and focus on fast growing industry sectors.

Promet Ventures in New Markets

During the Financial Year, Promet Metals Testing Laboratory Limited ("Promet Lab") launched a drinking water quality testing service, extending its scope of services beyond metals and construction materials testing. Promet Lab also became one of the Hong Kong Water Supplies Department's (WSD) approved laboratories for providing water testing services to both general users and premises after being accredited by the Hong Kong Laboratory Accreditation Scheme (HOKLAS) of the Hong Kong Accreditation Service (HKAS) in January 2020.

Promet Lab will carry out sampling and testing in compliance with the WSD's "Sampling Protocol for Commissioning Test of Fresh Water Plumbing System", "New Commissioning Requirements for Plumbing Works in Occupied Buildings/Village Houses" and "Guidelines for Drinking Water Safety Plans for Buildings in Hong Kong". The testing will reflect whether the drinking water samples meet the metal content, chemical and physical parameters, as set out in the Hong Kong Drinking Water Standards, and thus safe to consume.

The Group's other subsidiary, Promet Consultancy Company Limited ("Promet Consultancy"), continued to offer factory audits, composition and defect analysis, process optimisation, mould design, and mould flow simulation, which are uniquely positioned to help companies produce better quality products and achieve greater cost-effectiveness and competitiveness. Leveraging its team's expertise and its growing recognition in the industry, Promet Consultancy conducted the first series of its advanced die casting training course during the Financial Year. The course received positive feedback from engineers in the die casting industry, especially on the depth of materials and the quality of the presentation.

Management Discussion and Analysis

Impact of COVID-19

The global COVID-19 pandemic impacted the Group's overall demand for metals during the final months of the Financial Year. High unemployment rate and depressed consumer confidence resulted in sluggish demand, especially in certain segments of the Group's business like automotive parts. The social and economic "lockdowns" caused significant disruption to supply chain in different countries at different stages, hampering the recovery of export business.

However, the Group's earlier efforts to safeguard its operational stability, including upgrading online meeting capabilities and embarking on the digitalisation of its sales process, ensured that it was able to maintain close communication with its customers and suppliers. It also enabled the Group to fulfil orders to its customers in markets that were not subject to full lockdowns.

An Advocate for ESG and Sustainability

Sustainability, both commercially and environmentally, remains a top priority for the Group. Commercially, the Group has been continually diversifying the scope of its business and its product range to meet the changing market. It is also focusing on regional expansion, the adoption of innovative technologies and the creation of new ventures focused on value-added services to safeguard its long-term sustainability and competitiveness.

LEE KEE is also dedicated to environmental protection, taking various measures to mitigate the adverse environmental impact of its business operations through responsible sourcing, emissions reduction, resource conservation and waste management. In addition to the ISO 14001 Environmental Management System, the Group was successfully accredited ISO 45001 which shows its commitment to occupational health and safety.

The Group promotes workforce diversity not only as a matter of good corporate governance but also a driver of business performance. We participated in community programs and provided internship opportunities to encourage employment of the middle-aged. We also conduct induction and continuous training to our staff on various topics like data privacy, corporate governance, to raise our standard of governance across the Group.

Management Discussion and Analysis

Prospects

Macro-economic outlook stays uncertain

The movement of global metal prices is likely to remain highly volatile and difficult to predict. While mine closures forced by the outbreak of COVID-19 have started to be resume, diminished global demand resulting from both COVID-19 and the ongoing US-China trade dispute will continue to pressure prices and demand.

Zinc prices will likely be under pressure in the medium-to-long-term, with new supply expected to enter the market and nickel prices will continue to be heavily influenced by the development of the global electric vehicle industry and the export policies of major supplier countries. The most significant impact to the global business is likely to be the fast-moving and unexpected variables brought by the COVID-19 pandemic. The ripple effects on metals and manufacturing industries in Greater China and Southeast Asia are difficult to assess, not to mention the possibility of resurgence of virus.

The Group will continue to closely monitor the global metals markets, stay close to our customers, and take necessary responsive action to mitigate the impact which will be illustrated as follows:

Continued investment in digitalisation safeguards operational stability

The Group will continue to invest in the streamlining, digitalization and automation of back-office functions to 'future proof' its operational stability. We will accelerate our digital transformation, not only to maintain close communication with customers, suppliers and employees but to buildup technology capability on top of our supply chains resiliency so that LEE KEE could remain a reliable business partner that can truly deliver in the more extreme circumstances that may transpire over the next few years.

These investments will enable the Group to continue to deliver value and meet its customers' changing needs and expectations as they reposition to cope with the challenging economic environment.

Ongoing expansion in Southeast Asia

Despite the short-term challenges, manufacturing activity in Southeast Asia is expected to continue intensifying over the long-term.

The Group will upgrade its product and service offerings in this market to compete for market share and capture growth opportunities. It will continue to strengthen its sales capabilities in the region, while also expanding its partnerships, collaborations and marketing to reinforced and increase regional brand awareness.

Management Discussion and Analysis

Innovation and Change

The Group remains committed to enhancing its research and development capabilities to develop special alloys and upgrade their performance features to cater to the more advanced and increasingly complex requirements of manufacturers particularly in fast-growing sectors such as telecommunications and consumer electronics.

To foster growth and development, the Group will continue take advantage of the digital era and adopt innovations to better manage its organisation. Through the ongoing re-invention of internal processes, reinforcement of our data analytics platform, and rejuvenation of its sales and marketing practice, the Group will keep taking the pulse of our customers while thinking through longer-term considerations and formulating strategies around shifts in core markets. LEE KEE thus will remain flexible in the fast-changing market, consistently adding value for customers, partners and other stakeholders.

Stringent controls on costs

The Group will continue to take steps to streamline its operations and metal-purchasing protocols to contain costs and protect its margins, an outcome that will be challenging in the short-term given the current market volatility, the uncertain macro-economic environment and changing global trade policies.

The Group's management, assisted by its team of experts, will also prudently explore high-potential investment opportunities and new business streams in order to retain LEE KEE's market status, and take advantage of new growth opportunities.

DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors of the Company does not recommend the payment of final dividend for the Financial Year.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER

For the purpose of ascertaining shareholders' entitlement to attend and vote at the AGM, the Register of Members of the Company (the "Register of Members") will be closed from Wednesday, 19th August 2020 to Monday, 24th August 2020, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for voting at the forthcoming AGM, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company's Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar and Transfer Office, Tricor Investor Services Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18th August 2020.

Management Discussion and Analysis

LIQUIDITY, FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND COMMODITY PRICE RISK

The Group primarily financed its operation through internal resources and borrowings from banks. As at 31st March 2020, the Group had unrestricted cash and bank balances of approximately HK\$306 million (2019: HK\$357 million) and bank borrowings of approximately HK\$120 million (2019: HK\$196 million). In March 2015, the Group obtained a Hong Kong dollar denominated mortgage loan of HK\$18.7 million, which bore annual interest at the lower of one month Hong Kong Inter-bank Offered Rate (“HIBOR”) plus 1.75% and Hong Kong Dollar Prime Rate less 3.1%. As at 31st March 2020, the outstanding borrowing of this facility amounted to HK\$13 million (2019: HK\$14 million).

The remaining borrowings, which are short term in nature, were made in United States dollars with interest chargeable at market rates. The gearing ratio (total bank borrowings and lease liabilities to total equity) as at 31st March 2020 was 14.1% (2019: 19.4%). The Group has a current ratio of 544% as at 31st March 2020 (2019: 431%).

The Group constantly evaluates and monitors its risk exposure to metals prices with reference to the market conditions. In order to control the exposure efficiently and to capitalise on direction of price trends, the Group’s management will employ appropriate operating strategies and set inventory levels accordingly.

The Group’s foreign exchange exposure mainly resulted from the exchange rate between Hong Kong dollars against United States dollars and Renminbi.

EMPLOYEES

As at 31st March 2020, the Group had approximately 180 employees (2019: 200 employees). Their remuneration, promotion and salary review are assessed based on job responsibilities, work performance, professional experiences, the prevailing industry practices and market condition. The key components of the Group’s remuneration package include basic salary, and where appropriate, other allowances, incentive bonuses and the Group’s contribution to mandatory provident funds (or state-managed retirement benefits scheme). Other benefits include insurance and training schemes. During the year, staff costs (including directors’ emoluments) were approximately HK\$63 million (2019: HK\$62 million).

Directors, Senior Management and Advisor

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. CHAN Pak Chung, aged 72, is the Chairman of the Board and an Executive Director of the Company and a director of certain subsidiaries of the Company. Mr. Chan has been serving the Group since 1967 and is now leading and governing the Board of the Company to ensure the Board works and performs its responsibilities effectively. Mr. Chan has more than 47 years of experience in the group development and non-ferrous metals industry. He obtained a Master Degree in Material Engineering from the Yanshan University. Mr. Chan is also a Permanent Honorary President of Hong Kong Foundry Association, Honorary Fellow (Machinery and Metal Industry) of the Professional Validation Council of Hong Kong Industries, Honorary President of the Professional Validation Council of Hong Kong Industries, Vice Chairman of the Hong Kong Metal Merchants Association and Honorary President of The Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology. Mr. Chan is the spouse of Ms. MA Siu Tao (deemed to be a substantial shareholder of the Company under Securities and Futures Ordinance), father of Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara, Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick and Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian.

Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara, aged 48, is the Vice-Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer and an Executive Director of the Company. She is also a director of certain subsidiaries of the Company. Ms. Chan joined the Group in November 1995 and is responsible for strategic direction and ensuring the implementation of the strategies and policies. She also leads the Group in the business development and operations. Ms. Chan has over 20 years of experience in the non-ferrous metals industry. She is awarded The Medal of Honour by HKSAR Government in 2018. She is a member of the Listing Committee of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, a member of the Lead and Zinc Committee of the London Metal Exchange and a member of the Board Risk Committee of LME Clear Limited. She is also a member of the Committee on Trust Fund for Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, a member of the Hong Kong Housing Authority and its Subsidised Housing Committee, a council member of Hong Kong Productivity Council, a member of Vetting Committee of the Trade and Industrial Organisation Support Fund (TSF), a member of HKTDC Belt and Road & Greater Bay Area Committee Industrial Parks: SMEs' Manufacturing Partnership and Investment Task Force, a President Honoris Causa of Hong Kong Young Industrialists Council, a member of Advisory Board of The HKMA Institute of Advanced Management Development and a member of General Committee of The Chamber of Hong Kong Listed Companies. Ms. Chan holds a Master of Social Science degree in Global Political Economy from The Chinese University of Hong Kong and is an Industrial Fellow with the University of Warwick in WMG. Ms. Chan is the daughter of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and Ms. MA Siu Tao, sister of Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick and Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian.

Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick ("Mr. Patrick Chan"), aged 47, is an Executive Director of the Company and a director of certain subsidiaries of the Company. Mr. Patrick Chan joined the Group in August of 2006 and is now responsible for the Group's operation in Taiwan and the future development projects of the Group. He has over 10 years of experience in the stainless steel industry and zinc alloy diecasting industry. Mr. Patrick Chan obtained a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Aeronautical Science from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and holds a Master Degree in Business Administration from the University of Hong Kong. He is President of Hong Kong Electrical Appliances Industries Association, the Treasurer of the Hong Kong Metal Merchants Association, a director of Hong Kong Auto Parts Industry Association, a committee member of Hong Kong Aviation Industry Association, and a Member of Appeal Tribunal Panel, Building Ordinance (Hong Kong). Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Patrick Chan was an Airline Pilot. Mr. Patrick Chan is the son of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and Ms. MA Siu Tao, brother of Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara and Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian.

Directors, Senior Management and Advisor

Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian (“Ms. Lillian Chan”), aged 45, is an executive Director of the Company and a director of the Company’s certain subsidiaries. She joined the Group in March 2001 and is responsible for the Group’s procurement and Chief Operating Officer overseeing the Group’s operation including supply chain, warehousing, customer liaison, quality control, technical testing and production. Ms. Lillian Chan has over 19 years of experience in non-ferrous metals industry. She obtained a double bachelor degree in Marketing and Psychology. Ms. Lillian Chan is a daughter of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and Ms. MA Siu Tao, a sister of Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara and Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick.

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy, aged 70, is an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company appointed since September of 2006. Mr. Chung has over 30 years of experience in financial advisory, taxation and management. He was a partner of PricewaterhouseCoopers and retired in June of 2005. In October of 2005, he joined a professional consulting firm, Russell Bedford Hong Kong Limited, as Director — Tax & Business Advisory. Mr. Chung is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the Taxation Institution of Hong Kong and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). He was the President of the Hong Kong branch of ACCA for the year 2005/06. He is currently also an independent non-executive director of Tradelink Electronic Commerce Limited (listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited).

Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark, aged 58, is an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company, appointed since June of 2014. He is currently a consultant in the securities and futures industry. He was previously the Chief Operating Officer of Oriental Patron Securities Limited (“OPSL”). Prior to joining OPSL, he was the Chief Compliance Officer of Hong Kong Mercantile Exchange Limited, the Director of Business Development of Sun Hung Kai Securities Limited and a Director of Phillip Securities (HK) Limited. He was also previously Vice President of Corporate Strategy of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and Head of Compliance of Hong Kong Futures Exchange Limited. He has more than 24 years of experience in the securities and futures industry. He is also an independent non-executive director of Hengan International Group Company Limited and Green Future Food Hydrocolloid Marine Science Company Limited (both companies listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited).

Mr. TAI Lun Paul, aged 53, is an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company, appointed since April 2020. He is currently the Regional Managing Director of Asia of Mainetti Asia Limited overseeing its Asian operations and actively participating in the group’s major expansion and acquisition projects. Prior to joining Mainetti, he worked in a bluechip property company in Hong Kong. Mr. Tai has over 30 years’ experience in corporate development, specialising in Asian operations, financial matters and mergers and acquisitions. Mr. Tai is a fellow member of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a fellow member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a Chartered Accountant of Singapore. Mr. Tai was awarded a Master Degree in Business Administration from The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

Directors, Senior Management and Advisor

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Mr. CHEUK Wa Pang, aged 55, is the Chief Financial Officer, the Company Secretary of the Company and a director of certain subsidiaries of the Company. Mr. Cheuk joined the Group in December of 2002 and is responsible for the financial matters of the Group. Prior to joining the Group, Mr. Cheuk worked as financial controller and company secretary as well as business consultant of various private and listed companies. Mr. Cheuk has over 27 years of experience in finance, accounting and auditing. Mr. Cheuk holds a Bachelor Degree of Science in Engineering from the University of Hong Kong, a Master Degree in Applied Finance and a Master Degree in Business Administration from Macquarie University in Australia. Mr. Cheuk is a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

Mr. YAN Cheuk Yam, aged 72, was appointed an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company in September of 2006. He resigned from the directorship in February of 2007 and has acted as the Head of China Division of the Group since March of 2007. Mr. Yan is responsible for advising the Group's PRC development and local relationships in the PRC. He is also a director of several of the Group's PRC subsidiaries. Prior to this employment, Mr. Yan was a director of a steel pipes company and a consultant of a Dongguan metals factory. Mr. Yan has more than 30 years of experience in the steel business and metal trading in the PRC, Taiwan and Hong Kong.

Ms. CHENG Yuk Ching, age 44, is the Corporate Development Director of the Group. Ms. Cheng joined the Group in February 2015. She is now responsible for the Group's global marketing and various strategic projects on business development, process reengineering and open innovation. Prior to joining the Group, she held managerial positions in a number of advanced technology and engineering corporations including Flextronics (Global 500), Johnson Electric, and Nano and Advanced Materials Institute where she led corporate communications, business analytics and strategies, technology assessments, as well as pricing modelling and platform development. She has over 15 years' experience in strategic marketing. Ms. Cheng holds a Bachelor Degree of Social Sciences from the University of Hong Kong, a Master of Arts Degree from the University of Chicago and a Master Degree in Business Administration from London Business School.

ADVISOR

To further strengthen the Group's expertise and development in the metal industry and financial services, the Group has engaged the following advisor who has sound knowledge regarding commodity and risk management:

Ms. Lesley Anne CAMPBELL has specialised in commodity risk management for many years, working with a broad range of LME clients and with a number of global organisations including the World Bank. She was a consultant to the LME and subsequently joined HKEx to assist with the development of their commodity franchise. Ms. Campbell has presented programmes on finance for BBC and wrote a book called *Forged Metal* on the aluminium industry. Ms. Campbell obtained a Master's Degree of Arts from Glasgow University.



Corporate Governance Report

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Board of Directors of the Company (the “Board”) recognises the importance of business ethics and incorporating elements of good corporate governance (including but not limited to traditional corporate values) in the business and operation, management structures and internal control of the Group so as to achieve effectiveness and accountability. Accordingly, the Company implemented various measures to comply with the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the “CG Code”) contained in Appendix 14 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the “Listing Rules”) during the financial year.

To the knowledge of the Directors and save as disclosed herein, the Directors consider that the Company has complied with the code provisions of the CG Code and are not aware of any non-compliance with the then provisions in the CG Code for the financial year.

DIRECTORS’ SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors (the “Model Code”) set out in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. The Company, having made specific enquiry of all the Directors, was not aware of any non-compliance with the Model Code by the Directors during the financial year.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The composition of the Board and the biographical details of the Directors are set out in the Report of the Directors and also Directors, Senior Management and Advisors of the annual report respectively. The Board is responsible for providing entrepreneurial leadership, either directly or through its committees, to the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) in order to deliver long-term value to shareholders. It establishes corporate policies, sets strategic direction, ensures that an effective internal control environment is in place, and oversees the management which is responsible for day-to-day operations. The Board established on 20th December 2006 the Executive Committee which can exercise the powers delegated by the Board pursuant to the written terms of reference, except the powers to approve major issues and reserved matters, such as acquisition and disposal, connected transactions which are reserved by the Board. The management is responsible for day-to-day management of the Company under the leadership of the Chief Executive Officer. The Company has received the annual confirmation of independence from all the Independent Non-executive Directors pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and considered them independent to the Group. Save as disclosed in the Directors, Senior Management and Advisors section and to the best knowledge of the Directors, the Board is not aware of any financial, business, family or other material/relevant relationships among the board members. The Directors have participated to continuous professional development (“CPD”) and provided their CPD records during the Financial Year. They attended seminars/courses (including webinar) or reading materials on regulations, updates. The Company also invited external parties to deliver and organized itself various trainings during the Financial Year.

CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Company has two different persons for the posts of the Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer. The Chairman of the Board, Mr. CHAN Pak Chung, leads and governs the Board (including but not limited to chairing all the board meetings and general meetings), and in his absence, another Director of the Company will be chosen to chair such meetings pursuant to the Company's Articles. He is also responsible for the overall business strategy of the Group. The Chief Executive Officer of the Company, Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara, is responsible for proposing strategies to the Board and implementing the strategies and policies laid down by the Board. She also leads the management in the development and daily operations of the Group.

NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

All Independent Non-executive Directors entered into appointment letters with the Company for a term of two years with expiry on 3rd October 2020, 15th June 2022, 31st March 2022 respectively.

BOARD COMMITTEES

Remuneration Committee

The Company established the Remuneration Committee on 15th September 2006 with written terms of reference. The primary duties of the Remuneration Committee includes reviewing the terms of remuneration packages and determining the award of bonuses. The Remuneration Committee has three members comprising of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung, Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy and Mr. HO Wai Ching Mark, two of whom are Independent Non-executive Directors. The Remuneration Committee is chaired by Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark and discharged its duties by reviewing the remuneration policy and procedure to develop remuneration policy, approving/recommending the remuneration packages of Executive Directors and the salary adjustment of the Senior Management with reference to various benchmarks during the financial year. According to the remuneration policy, the Group aims to provide employment with equitable remuneration in respect to responsibility and performance. The compensation and benefits packages are consistent with three guiding principles (ie., Fairness and Consistency, Pay for Performance and Market Competitiveness) and serve the purposes of attracting, retaining and motivating Employees. The directors emolument are also determined with reference to the basis of such principles. The remuneration to Directors is set out in note 31 to the Financial Statements.

Nomination Committee

The Company established the Nomination Committee on 15th September 2006 with written terms of reference. The Nomination Committee is mainly responsible for making recommendations to the Board on the appointment of Directors and the management of the Board succession. The Nomination Committee has three members comprising of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung, Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy and Mr. TAI Lun Paul, two of whom are Independent Non-Executive Directors. The Nomination Committee is chaired by Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and discharged its duties by reviewing the structure, size and the composition of the Board, assessment of independence of Independent Non-executive Directors, recommending reappointment of retiring Directors and considering the succession plan during the financial year.

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The Company adopted a nomination policy to set out the general principles (namely, competency, fairness, responsibility and compliance) and process to identify and evaluate any candidate for the directorship selection considering a variety of factors, such as, minimum requirements (i.e., character, integrity, commitment, background, etc.), contribution from experience, skills, and ability that will be brought to the Board and the Company, board composition, compliance with diversity policy, potential conflict of interest. The nomination may be made by a referral or through a search firm/management at the request by Nomination Committee or shareholder(s) in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association. Upon verifying by the Secretary of the Company the qualifications of nominated candidate(s), the Nomination Committee will evaluate and select the candidate(s) with recommendation to the Board for consideration.

The Company has also adopted the diversity policy and set the measurable objective (such as minimum female board member). The Nomination Committee has reviewed the Company's diversity policy. The diversity policy sets out the approach to achieve diversity in the Company's Board to ensure the balance of skills, experience and diversity of perspective appropriate to the requirements of the Group's business model and specific needs.

During the Financial Year, the Nomination Committee nominated a Director to replace a resigned Director, reviewed the independence of Independent Non-executive Directors and retirement of Directors at the Annual General Meeting with reference to the Company's applicable policies. It also reviewed diversity policy and nomination policy (including nomination procedures and process).

Corporate Governance Committee

The Company established the Corporate Governance Committee on 23rd March 2012 with written terms of reference. The Corporate Governance Committee is mainly responsible for reviewing and monitoring corporate governance issues. The Corporate Governance Committee has four members comprising of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung (Chairman of the Board), Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara (Vice Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer), Mr. CHEUK Wa Pang (Chief Financial Officer and Company Secretary) and LEE King On (Compliance Manager). It is chaired by Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and discharged its duties by reviewing and recommending the group's overall corporate governance covering policies, code of conducts, training records of directors during the financial year. The Group has also adopted Compliance Policy for Corporate Governance and Inside Information/Notifiable Transaction (the "Compliance Policy"). Such policy has set out the process for handling of potential inside information/notifiable transaction and reporting channel. Being part of continuous improvement, the Corporate Governance Committee also continued to strengthen the program to enhance staff's awareness to the importance of compliance, such as trainings, ensure compliance reporting from subsidiaries and departments during the Financial Year. It also reviewed the policies and codes regarding corporate governance, such as the Compliance Policy, the Group's Code of Conduct and the contents of the Corporate Governance Report.

Corporate Governance Report

Audit Committee

The Company established the Audit Committee on 15th September 2006 with written terms of reference in compliance with the CG Code. The primary duties of the Audit Committee include reviewing and supervising the financial reporting processes, risk management and the internal control systems of the Group. The Audit Committee comprises Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy, who is the Chairman, Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark and Mr. TAI Lun Paul, all of whom are Independent Non-executive Directors. The Group has also adopted Whistleblowing Policy and employees could via such established channel directly report to the Audit Committee of any possible improprieties of the Group. During the financial year, the Audit Committee discharged its duties by reviewing financial matters (including annual results, interim results and financial statements), risk management (including the relevant policy, framework and annual review with appropriate opinion) and internal control (including selection of external internal auditor and discussing the review scope) as well as discussing matters with the Executive Directors and the auditor of the Company, and making recommendations to the Board.

AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

The remuneration of the audit services rendered by the auditor of the Company were mutually agreed in view of the scope of services. The fee for audit services (including annual audit and interim review) during the year was HK\$1,760,000 for annual audit. The non-audit service fee was HK\$410,000 during the Financial Year. The aggregate fee amounted to approximately HK\$2,170,000.

ATTENDANCE OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The following tables summarise the attendance of individual Director(s) and committee member(s) in the financial year:

Name of Director	Board	Audit Committee	Remuneration Committee	Nomination Committee
Mr. CHAN Pak Chung	8/8	–	2/2	3/3
Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara	8/8	–	–	–
Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick	7/8	–	–	–
Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian	8/8	–	–	–
Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy	8/8	2/2	2/2	3/3
Mr. HU Wai Kwok (Note 1)	7/8	2/2	–	3/3
Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark	8/8	2/2	2/2	–
Mr. TAI Lun Paul (Note 2)	–	–	–	–

Note 1: Mr. HU Wai Kwok resigned as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company with effect from 1st April 2020.

Note 2: Mr. TAI Lun Paul was appointed as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company with effect from 1st April 2020.

All Directors then attended the 2019 annual general meeting of the Company.

PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year (the “Financial Statements”) which is prepared on a going concern basis whose details are set out in the Financial Statements. The auditor of the Company also set out their reporting responsibilities on the Financial Statements in its Independent Auditor’s Report of the annual report.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board acknowledges its responsibility for overseeing the risk management and internal control systems and reviewing their effectiveness annually. The Board with the assistance of its committees (including Audit Committee and Corporate Governance Committee) and the management team (comprising CEO, CFO and COO) fulfills its oversight and corporate governance roles in the Group’s financial, operational, compliance, risk management, internal control and the adequacy of resources on the finance reporting function on an ongoing basis. The Group has also adopted (and/or enhanced) policies and procedures to improve the effectiveness of risk management and internal control from time to time as necessary. However, such systems/policies are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Company engages an external independent professional firm to review the internal control of the Group with an agreed internal audit plan before starting the yearly review. The review is mainly to determine if the key internal controls are in place and in compliance with the Group’s requirement/policy. It conducts the reviews by rotation on different areas of the Group. After the review, the professional firm will issue a report to the Board on its findings (by sampling of checking transactions and documentation) with corresponding risk rating and the recommendation after communication with the management. The Audit Committee and the Board review the recommendations regularly to ensure implementation, particularly in relation to material defects (if any). During the Financial Year, no material control failures were identified and the necessary actions are being implemented to enhance the internal control of the Group, both the Audit Committee and the Board are satisfied with the results and concluded that the Group’s internal control system is sound and effective.

During the Financial Year, the Risk Management Working Committee (comprising CEO, CFO, COO) worked closely to enhance the risk management system. The Group has classified two categories of risk, namely Material Risk and Operational Risk.

MATERIAL RISK

The risk management system was designed, implemented and monitored with a structured approach starting from evaluating the risks the Group faces against goals to achieve:

- (1) risk appetite – addressing, formalising and reaching internal consensus on its risk appetite to consider the amount of risk that is proportionate to achieve its stated goals. In assessing this issue, the Group used the template of the Treadway Commission (COSO).
- (2) managing risk – review of the risks that it faces and model them with scenario analysis. Trigger points that may cause the Group to reevaluate the operations and risk management measures were identified. It forms the basis of risk register (Note), which systematically considers all the risks being faced with priorities and takes the appropriate action to manage them.

Note: The risk register constantly monitors commodity markets, financial markets and economic indicators with benchmarking the orders, transactions to the appropriate underlying market price and to each other which allows the Group to put in place frameworks for the management of risk. The register consists of a description of the key risks faced by the Group and an assessment of the likelihood of those risks occurring and their likely impact. It also establishes ownership of those risks and outlines the significant risks, monitors performance in managing significant risks, makes it possible to identify new emerging risks and reassures stakeholders that effective controls are in place to manage significant risks. However, the risk register is not in the public domain.

- (3) risk defense – each individual department head is accountable for specific risk management objectives with three lines of defense principle to ensure prompt and appropriate response to the risks with ongoing monitoring according to the risk register. The delegated persons working on risk management have the necessary qualifications and experience/training to understand the risks and the actions that may be taken to mitigate them where necessary. The Board compiles and updates a list of all the risks it faces by listing Key Risk Indicators and prioritises those risks with decisions on the parameters for taking action (or no immediate action because the risk falls within the boundaries set by the risk appetite). One of the methodologies to determine the priorities is to measure the risk based on the likelihood of an adverse event happening or a loss occurring and to combine these calculations with a consideration of the impact of such a loss or event. In order to avoid compounding errors or inaccuracies over time, the methodologies are reviewed regularly.

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Among the risks faced by the Group, the risks currently considered material and the most acute are: commodity price risk, currency risk, volume risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and cyber risk.

1. For commodity price and volume risks, the Group has used stress-testing analysis but recognises that while such exercises support risk mitigation activities they cannot offer absolute reassurance where the ongoing monitoring of threats is essential. Analysis has been granular and has clarified the risk emanating from the following scenarios:

- Volatility of the prices of mainly zinc
- Currency movements
- Changes in interest rates and liquidity

The Group has considered a wider range of products to mitigate risk, where necessary, including futures, options and OTC contracts. When considering volume risk and the possible solution of geographical expansion, the Group analysed its existing business and identified areas which could both complement and support these operations, allowing us to be clear about the level of risk to be taken in order to increase business. It conducted at the time of major investment a comprehensive risk/reward analysis, assessing the trends in consumption, competitive presence and barriers to entry, before focusing on the areas it is believed the Company can offer the greatest potential rewards within an acceptable risk framework.

2. Details of currency risk (ie foreign exchange risk), credit risk and liquidity risk are set out in note 3 to the consolidated financial statements. The Group manages such risks with a combination of hedges to lock in advantageous rates when possible and assigning special teams to handle the situation with close monitoring and regular reporting.

3. Cyber risk is different from many other financial and operational risks in that it evolves and changes very quickly. The Group's approach, therefore, is to anticipate as well as mitigate by putting considerable effort into keeping abreast of current and future threats by attending seminars and training courses. The Group engages an independent professional firm to conduct an assessment of the Group's cyber security to evaluate the risk from different areas and make the recommendations to improvement. The recommendations to improvement and management of cyber risk are not confined to the IT department and it is an issue that has been identified by the board as of primary concern. As with all risk management policies, awareness of cyber risk is embedded in the corporate culture.

Operational Risk

Apart from the material risks above, other risks emanating from the daily operation are monitored under the ISO system. This system applied the concept and requirements of “Risk-based thinking” and “Actions to address risks and opportunities” whose details can be consulted in ISO9001:2015 section 0.3.3 and section 6.1 respectively. Accordingly, the Group followed ISO’s methodology to determine and take necessary actions to risks. The Group has gone through a systematic process to create a risk register (not in the public domain):

- (1) Identification of risk – the Management Representative designated under the ISO system and related operational process owners (usually department head) identify and recognize the risks that may affect the operations.
- (2) Analysis of risk – once the risks are identified, the Severity of Effect (S) and Probability of Occurrence (O) of each risk are analyzed and determined by the operational process owners.
- (3) Scoring of risk – the risk magnitude can be represented by the Score of Risk which is the multiple of Severity of Effect (S) and Probability of Occurrence (O) (ie., Score = S x O)
- (4) Action to the risk – the risks are classified into High Risk, Medium Risk and Low Risk based on the score of each risk. Action Plans are provided to mitigate the risks which are scored as High Risk and Medium Risk. A Risk Register with detailed risks and action plan is maintained by the Management Representative.
- (5) Monitor and Review of the risk – the risks are monitored and reviewed by the operational process owners and the Management Representative from time to time. The operational process owners shall revise the Risk Register if there is any change or necessity to revise the Risk Register. The overall operation of the Risk Management for Operations is reported to the Group’s COO in monthly meeting and annual Management Review Meeting.

During the Financial Year, both the Audit Committee and the Board are satisfied with the Group’s risk management system and concluded that it is effective and adequate. They are not aware of any areas of concern that would have an immediate material impact on the financial and operations of the Group.

ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE

The report of Environmental, Social and Governance of the Group is available at the HKEXnews website of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk) and Company’s website (www.leekeegroup.com).

SHAREHOLDERS RIGHTS AND INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Company adopted a Shareholders Communication Policy to provide the shareholders of the company (the “Shareholders”) with ready, equal and timely access to the information about the Company to ensure that the Shareholders have the ability to exercise their rights in an informed manner, and to allow the Shareholders to engage actively with the Company. All the Shareholders have the right to attend and vote at the general meetings and can convene an extraordinary general meeting pursuant to Article 79 of the Company’s Articles of Association. Prior to proposing a resolution at the general meeting, the Shareholders should submit the proposed resolution to the Company Secretary via email to ir@leekeegroup.com with the details. The Board welcomes opinions and questions from the Shareholders who may at any time send their enquiries and concerns to the Board by addressing them to Company Secretary by post to No. 16 Dai Fat Street, Tai Po Industrial Estate, New Territories, Hong Kong or by email to ir@leekeegroup.com. In addition, the Group maintains its own website at which the Shareholders can access for the Company’s information and for communication with the Company. The Shareholders are encouraged to provide their email address(es) to the Company for further communication. There are no significant changes in the Company’s Memorandum and Articles of Association during the Financial Year.

SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available and within the knowledge of the Directors, the Company maintained sufficient public float for the Financial Year.



Report of the Directors

The Directors are pleased to present their report along with the audited consolidated financial statements of Lee Kee Holdings Limited (the “Company”) and its subsidiaries (together the “Group”) for the year ended 31st March 2020 (the “Financial Year”).

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND SEGMENT ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the Group are trading of zinc, zinc alloy, nickel, nickel-related products, aluminium, aluminium alloy, stainless steel and other electroplating chemical products in Hong Kong and Mainland China.

The activities of the subsidiaries are set out in note 26 to the financial statements. An analysis of the Group’s performance for the year by operating segment is set out in note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS

The Company adopted its dividend policy which set out the principles as a reference to determine dividend distribution. As an important principle, the Company will declare or pay any dividend only from consolidated profits and company reserves lawfully available for distribution and is subject to the Company’s Articles of Association. There is no assurance that dividend of any amount will be declared or distributed in any year.

The directors do not recommend the payment of final dividend for the year ended 31st March 2020.

The results of the Group for the year are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss on page 48.

CLOSURE OF REGISTER

For the purpose of ascertaining shareholders’ entitlement to attend and vote at the AGM, the Register of Members of the Company (the “Register of Members”) will be closed from Wednesday, 19th August 2020 to Monday, 24th August 2020, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares will be effected. In order to qualify for voting at the forthcoming AGM, all transfers, accompanied by the relevant share certificates, must be lodged with the Company’s Hong Kong Branch Share Registrar and Transfer Office, Tricor Investor Services Limited at Level 54, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen’s Road East, Hong Kong for registration not later than 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, 18th August 2020.

DONATIONS

Charitable and other donations made by the Group during the year amounted to approximately HK\$52,000.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of the movements of property, plant and equipment of the Group are set out in note 15 to the consolidated financial statements.



Report of the Directors

SHARE CAPITAL

Details of the share capital of the Company are set out in note 20 to the consolidated financial statements. There were no movements during the Financial Year.

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Distributable reserves of the Company at 31st March 2020 amounted to approximately HK\$779,938,000.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Articles of Association and there was no restriction against such rights under the laws of the Cayman Islands, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a prorata basis to existing shareholders.

FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for the last five financial years is set out on page 14.

PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES

Neither the Company nor its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of the Company's shares during the Financial Year.

SHARE OPTIONS

The Company's Pre-IPO share option scheme (the "Pre-IPO Scheme") and the share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme") adopted pursuant to the written resolutions of the shareholder of the Company passed on 15th September 2006 were lapsed. Share options granted under the Pre-IPO Scheme were all lapsed in prior years. No options have been granted under the Share Option Scheme since the adoption date on 15th September 2006 and up to the lapse of the scheme. There is no adoption of other share option schemes.

Report of the Directors

DIRECTORS

The Directors during the Financial Year and up to the date of this report were:

Executive Directors

Mr. CHAN Pak Chung (*Chairman*)

Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara (*Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*)

Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick

Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian

Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok Jimmy

Mr. HU Wai Kwok (resigned with effect from 1st April 2020)

Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark

Mr. TAI Lun Paul (appointed with effect from 1st April 2020)

Mr. Hu resigned as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company to focus on other endeavours and to facilitate the Company's further business direction whose details were disclosed in the Company's announcement dated 6th March 2020.

In accordance with Article 130 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Mr. CHAN Ka Chung Patrick and Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian shall retire and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

In accordance with Article 114 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Mr. TAI Lun Paul shall retire and being eligible, offer himself for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

None of the directors who are proposed for re-election at the forthcoming annual general meeting has a service contract with the Company which is determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS

No contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company, any of its fellow subsidiaries or its parent company was a party and in which a director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the Financial Year.

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BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

Brief biographical details of Directors and the Senior Management are set out on page 22 of the Annual Report.

Directors' and Chief Executives' interests and/or Short Positions in the Shares, Underlying Shares and Debentures of the Company and its Associated corporations

At 31st March 2020, the interests and short positions of each Director and Chief Executive in the shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance ("SFO"), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of Part XV of the SFO or as notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange under Division 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO or required pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Companies were as follows:

1. Long Position in Shares of the Company

Name of Director	Capacity	Number of Shares in which interested	Approximate percentage of issues Shares
Mr. CHAN Pak Chung (Note 1)	Founder of a discretionary trust	600,000,000	72.40
Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara (Note 2)	Beneficiary of a trust	600,000,000	72.40
Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick (Note 2)	Beneficiary of a trust	600,000,000	72.40
Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian (Note 2)	Beneficiary of a trust	600,000,000	72.40
Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark (Note 3)	Interest held by spouse	50,000	0.006

Notes:

1. The 600,000,000 Shares are held by Gold Alliance Global Services Limited ("GAGSL") whose entire share capital is held by Gold Alliance International Management Limited ("GAIML"), which is in turn held by HSBC International Trustee Limited ("HSBC Trustee") acting as the trustee of the P.C. CHAN Family Trust. The P.C. CHAN Family Trust is an irrevocable discretionary trust set up by Mr. CHAN Pak Chung as settlor and HSBC Trustee as trustee on 6th March 2006. The discretionary objects of which include Ms. MA Siu Tao and the other family members of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung. Mr. CHAN Pak Chung is the settlor of the P.C. CHAN Family Trust and is deemed to be interested in the 600,000,000 Shares held by GAGSL under the SFO.
2. Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara, Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick and Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian (all of them being family members of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and Executive Directors) are deemed to be interested in the 600,000,000 Shares held by GAGSL as they are one of the discretionary objects under the P.C. CHAN Family Trust under the SFO.
3. Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark is deemed to be interested in the 50,000 Shares held by his spouse.

Report of the Directors

Save as disclosed above, as at 31st March 2020, none of the Directors and Chief Executives (including their spouse and children under 18 years of age) had any interest or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares in, or debentures of, the Company or its associated corporation required to be disclosed pursuant to the SFO.

Substantial Shareholders' Interests and/or Short Positions in the Shares, Underlying Shares of the Company

The register of substantial shareholders required to be kept under section 336 of Part XV of the SFO shows that as at 31st March 2020, the Company had been notified of the following substantial shareholders' interests and short positions, being 5% or more of the Company's issued share capital. These interests are in addition to those disclosed above in respect of the Directors and Chief Executive.

Long Position in the Shares of the Company

Name	Capacity	Number of Shares in which interested	Approximate percentage of issued Shares
Ms. MA Siu Tao (Note a)	Family interest	600,000,000	72.40
Gold Alliance Global Services Limited (Note b)	Registered owner	600,000,000	72.40
Gold Alliance International Management Limited (Note b)	Interest of controlled corporation	600,000,000	72.40
HSBC International Trustee Limited (Note b)	Trustee	600,000,000	72.40

Notes:

- Ms. MA Siu Tao, the spouse of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung and one of the discretionary objects under the PC. CHAN Family Trust, is deemed to be interested in the 600,000,000 Shares held by GAGSL under the SFO.
- The entire share capital of GAGSL is held by GAIML, which is in turn held by HSBC Trustee acting as the trustee of the PC. CHAN Family Trust. The PC. CHAN Family Trust is an irrevocable discretionary trust set up by Mr. CHAN Pak Chung as settlor and HSBC Trustee as trustee on 6th March 2006. The discretionary objects of which include Ms. MA Siu Tao and other family members of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung.

Saved as disclosed above, at 31st March 2020, no person, other than the Directors and Chief Executives (including their spouse and children under 18 years of age) had any interest or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares of the Company recorded in the register to be kept under section 336 of the SFO.

Other Persons' Interests and/or Short Positions in the Shares, Underlying Shares of the Company

As at 31st March 2020, no other persons had any interest or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares of the Company recorded in the register to be kept under the SFO.

BUSINESS REVIEW AND DISCLOSURE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

The business reviews are set out in the sections headed “Management Discussion and Analysis” of this Annual Report respectively.

The ESG Report is published on the Company’s website which could be viewed at www.leekeegroup.com for details. Such report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the ESG Reporting Guide, Appendix 27 (“ESG Reporting Guide”) to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Listing Rules”). The scope of the ESG report includes offices, warehouses, production and laboratory operations in Hong Kong. It provides an overview of Lee Kee Group’s ESG policies and management approach and presents its sustainability initiatives and performance for the Financial Year. The Group was recognised through various awards and certificates for caring community services and environmental protection.

The Group has adopted its own Environmental Policy and is committed to minimising any negative impacts arising from the operations and raising environmental awareness among the staff and stakeholders. In addition to the Environmental Policy, the Group incorporated environmental protection guidelines, requirements, and measures to reduce resource consumption in daily operations. The Group constantly searches for opportunities to improve environmental performance throughout our business. Within environmental management system framework, an Environmental Aspects Identification and Assessment is performed regularly and respective control and measurement activities are carried out. Since 2015, the Group has involved in the Environment Protection Department’s Carbon Footprint Repository and Carbon Audit Green Partner programme. The Group engages a qualified third-party consultant annually to conduct air quality assessments, and the results from the test reports are deemed satisfactory.

Certain laws and regulations are considered the most relevant to the Group, such as, the Listing Rules, Employment Ordinance (Cap 57), Minimum Wage Ordinance (Cap. 608), MPF Ordinance (Cap. 485), Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486), Sex Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 480), Disability Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 487), Family Status Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 527), Race Discrimination Ordinance (Cap. 602), Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112), Occupational Safety and Health Ordinance (Cap. 509), Noise Control Ordinance (Cap. 400) and Waste Disposal (Chemical Waste) (General) Regulation. There was no reporting case of any non-compliance of such relevant laws and regulations that caused material impact during the Financial Year. Not merely compliance to laws but more, the Group recognizes the importance of staff and is dedicated to offering a supportive, safe and harmonious working environment to them. A Safety Committee was established to ensure safe workplace and implemented ISO 45001:2018 Safety Management System to mitigate and control occupational health and safety hazards in the operations. The Group also established open communication channels between staff and management, such as, encouraging direct communication by putting in place a CEO mailbox, organizing various recreational activities to enhance out of office relationship.

Report of the Directors

Other than staff, the Group also seeks to foster positive relationship with our suppliers and customers, and respond in a timely manner to address their concerns and expectations. To demonstrate the commitment to quality standards, the Group has adopted the international ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Systems and IATF 16949:2016 Automotive Quality Management System standards, and products also comply with international standards for regulating product specifications. To demonstrate the environmental responsibility, the Group recognises the opportunity to extend sustainability considerations across our supply chain. The Group's requirements are stipulated in relevant guidelines and documents, such as the Environmental Agreement, Supplier Contractor Environmental Support Statement and Safety Agreement, which are distributed to suppliers and contractors. All suppliers and contractors are strictly required to comply with all local environmental, employment and safety regulations.

MAJOR SUPPLIERS AND CUSTOMERS

During the Financial Year, the Group sold approximately 11.7% of its goods to its five largest customers. The percentage of purchases for the Financial Year attributable to the Group's major suppliers is as follows:

Purchases

– the largest supplier	24.9%
– five largest suppliers combined	55.0%

None of the Directors, their associates or any shareholder (which to the knowledge of the Directors owns more than 5% of the Company's share capital) had an interest in these major suppliers or customers.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the Financial Year.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION PURSUANT TO RULE 13.51(B) OF THE LISTING RULES

The monthly salary (including basic salary, statutory mandatory provident fund contribution and other allowances, if any) of Mr. CHAN Pak Chung, Ms. CHAN Yuen Shan Clara, Mr. CHAN Ka Chun Patrick and Ms. OKUSAKO CHAN Pui Shan Lillian were revised with effect from 1st April 2020 from HK\$200,000 to HK\$120,000, HK\$258,760 to HK\$155,256, HK\$129,390 to HK\$103,512 and HK\$133,640 to HK\$106,912 respectively. The monthly director's fee of all Independent Non-executive Directors of the Company, namely, Mr. CHUNG Wai Kwok, Mr. HO Kwai Ching Mark and Mr. TAI Lun Paul were revised with effect from 1st April 2020 from HK\$20,000 to HK\$16,000.



Report of the Directors

PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

A permitted indemnity provision for the benefit of the Directors is currently in force and was in force throughout the Financial Year. The Company has taken out Directors' and Officers' insurance to cover the liability incurred by directors and officers in the execution and discharge of their duties, or in relation thereto.

AUDITORS

KPMG retire, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment. A resolution for the re-appointment of KPMG as auditors of the Company is to be proposed at the forthcoming annual general meeting of the Company.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

CHAN Pak Chung

Chairman

Hong Kong, 29th June 2020

Independent Auditor's Report



Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of Lee Kee Holdings Limited

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Lee Kee Holdings Limited ("the Company") and its subsidiaries ("the Group") set out on pages 48 to 123, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2020, the consolidated statement of profit or loss, the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 March 2020 and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* ("the Code") together with any ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements in the Cayman Islands, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independent Auditor's Report

KEY AUDIT MATTERS

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

Valuation of inventories

Refer to note 17 to the consolidated financial statements and the accounting policy note 2(j).

The Key Audit Matter

The principal activity of the Group is the trading of commodities, principally zinc, zinc alloys and other metal products, in Hong Kong and the Mainland China.

At 31 March 2020, the Group held inventories, which mainly comprised zinc alloys and other metals, in Hong Kong and the Mainland China with a carrying amount of HK\$457 million which has been net of provisions of HK\$64 million.

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The Group maintains its inventory levels based on forecast demand and expected future metal prices.

The purchase and selling prices of the Group's inventories are mainly determined with reference to the primary metal market prices publicly available on the London Metal Exchange ("LME") or Shanghai Futures Exchange ("SHFE") at the time when purchases and sales orders are confirmed with suppliers and customers respectively. Any drop in the LME or SHFE metal prices may result in the selling prices of certain inventories falling below their purchase costs.

How the matter was addressed in our audit

Our audit procedures to assess the valuation of inventories included the following:

- obtaining an understanding of and assessing the design and implementation of management's key internal controls over the processes for identifying damaged and slow-moving inventories and assessing provisions for inventories;
- comparing the purchase prices of inventories with supplier invoices, on a sample basis;
- comparing, on a sample basis, the actual selling prices achieved during the current year with the estimated selling prices of the respective inventories at the end of the previous financial year to assess the historical accuracy of management's estimating process;
- assessing the classification of inventory items in the inventory ageing report by comparing a sample of individual items with goods receipt records and other relevant underlying documentation;
- comparing the carrying value of a sample of inventory items at the reporting date with their subsequent selling prices achieved after the reporting date;

Independent Auditor's Report

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (Continued)

Valuation of inventories

Refer to note 17 to the consolidated financial statements and the accounting policy note 2(j).

The Key Audit Matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

Management assesses the level of provisions for inventories required at each reporting date after considering the prevailing commodity prices and forecast demand. This assessment involves significant management judgement and estimation.

We identified valuation of inventories as a key audit matter because the Group held significant inventories at the reporting date and because of the significant degree of management judgement and estimation involved in evaluating the provisions for inventories, particularly in respect of estimating future selling prices and forecast demand.

- comparing the carrying value of a sample of inventory items without sales after the reporting date with the estimated selling price, with reference to market prices at the reporting date and historical gross margins achieved; and
- recalculating the provisions for inventories at the reporting date based on management's estimated selling prices of the respective inventories at the reporting date.



Independent Auditor's Report

INFORMATION OTHER THAN THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORT THEREON

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises all the information included in the annual report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

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

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

The directors are assisted by the Audit Committee in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Independent Auditor's Report

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. This report is made solely to you, as a body, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSA's will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

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

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

Independent Auditor's Report

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

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

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

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

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Yip Ka Ming, Alice.

KPMG

Certified Public Accountants

8th Floor, Prince's Building
10 Chater Road
Central, Hong Kong

29 June 2020

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss

for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	2020 \$'000	2019 (Note) \$'000
Revenue	5	1,864,166	2,276,977
Cost of sales		(1,862,286)	(2,237,825)
Gross profit		1,880	39,152
Other income	6	4,228	6,040
Distribution and selling expenses		(23,895)	(28,350)
Administrative expenses		(82,902)	(86,756)
Other net losses	7	(18,302)	(3,067)
Loss from operations	8	(118,991)	(72,981)
Finance income		1,605	1,467
Finance costs		(6,008)	(10,181)
Net finance costs	9	(4,403)	(8,714)
Loss before taxation		(123,394)	(81,695)
Income tax	11	(4,763)	(4,965)
Loss for the year		(128,157)	(86,660)
Attributable to:			
Equity shareholders of the Company		(128,057)	(86,652)
Non-controlling interests		(100)	(8)
Loss for the year		(128,157)	(86,660)
Loss per share			
Basic and diluted (Hong Kong cents)	12	(15.45)	(10.46)

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 at 1 April 2019. Under the transition method chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

The notes on pages 54 to 123 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Loss for the year	(128,157)	(86,660)
Other comprehensive income for the year:		
<i>Item that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:</i>		
Revaluation of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, net of nil tax	(3,729)	(4,965)
Surplus on revaluation of land and buildings held for own use	–	17,456
Tax effect to surplus on revaluation of land and buildings	–	(2,098)
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss, net of nil tax:</i>		
Exchange differences on translation of financial statements of subsidiaries outside Hong Kong	(15,451)	(11,590)
	(19,180)	(1,197)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(147,337)	(87,857)
Attributable to:		
Equity shareholders of the Company	(147,231)	(87,849)
Non-controlling interests	(106)	(8)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(147,337)	(87,857)

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 at 1 April 2019. Under the transition method chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

The notes on pages 54 to 123 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

at 31 March 2020 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

		2020	2019
	Note	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Non-current assets			
Interests in leasehold land held for own use under operating leases	14	–	17,976
Investment property	15	64,600	64,600
Other property, plant and equipment	15	36,703	35,744
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	16	4,651	8,380
Prepayments	18	307	188
Deferred tax assets	24	2,643	2,600
		108,904	129,488
Current assets			
Inventories	17	456,552	596,869
Trade and other receivables	18	181,656	206,937
Tax recoverable		826	6
Derivative financial instruments		2,473	2,041
Cash held on behalf of customers	19(a)	–	9,605
Cash and cash equivalents	19(b)	306,115	356,734
		947,622	1,172,192
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables and contract liabilities	22	63,573	83,894
Bank borrowings	23	107,654	183,284
Lease liabilities	25	1,112	–
Tax payable		935	959
Derivative financial instruments		1,043	3,755
		174,317	271,892
Net current assets		773,305	900,300
Total assets less current liabilities		882,209	1,029,788

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

at 31 March 2020 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

	Note	2020 \$'000	2019 (Note) \$'000
Non-current liabilities			
Bank borrowings	23	11,997	13,183
Employee retirement benefit obligations		2,261	2,028
Lease liabilities	25	573	–
Deferred tax liabilities	24	4,565	4,397
		19,396	19,608
Net assets			
		862,813	1,010,180
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	20	82,875	82,875
Reserves	21	779,814	927,075
Total equity attributable to equity shareholders of the Company			
		862,689	1,009,950
Non-controlling interests		124	230
Total equity			
		862,813	1,010,180

The consolidated financial statements on pages 48 to 123 were approved by the Board of Directors on 29 June 2020 and were signed on its behalf.

CHAN Pak Chung
Director

CHAN Yuen Shan Clara
Director

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 at 1 April 2019. Under the transition method chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

The notes on pages 54 to 123 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company												
Note	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Merger reserve \$'000	Capital redemption reserve \$'000	Reserve fund \$'000	Fair value reserve (non-recycling) \$'000	Exchange reserve \$'000	Property revaluation reserve \$'000	Retained profits \$'000	Total \$'000	Non-controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 April 2018	82,875	437,277	(17,830)	125	3,667	9,770	8,227	-	586,120	1,110,231	-	1,110,231
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 March 2019:												
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(86,652)	(86,652)	(8)	(86,660)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(6,418)	(11,590)	15,358	1,453	(1,197)	-	(1,197)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(6,418)	(11,590)	15,358	(85,199)	(87,849)	(8)	(87,857)
Contribution from non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	238	238
Dividends approved in respect of the previous year and current year	13	(12,432)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(12,432)	-	(12,432)
Transfer to reserve fund	-	-	-	-	1,723	-	-	-	(1,723)	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2019	82,875	424,845	(17,830)	125	5,390	3,352	(3,363)	15,358	499,198	1,009,950	230	1,010,180

Attributable to equity shareholders of the Company												
Note	Share capital \$'000	Share premium \$'000	Merger reserve \$'000	Capital redemption reserve \$'000	Reserve fund \$'000	Fair value reserve (non-recycling) \$'000	Exchange reserve \$'000	Property revaluation reserve \$'000	Retained profits \$'000	Total \$'000	Non-controlling interests \$'000	Total equity \$'000
Balance at 1 April 2019	82,875	424,845	(17,830)	125	5,390	3,352	(3,363)	15,358	499,198	1,009,950	230	1,010,180
Impact on initial application of HKFRS 16 (Note)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(30)	(30)	-	(30)
	82,875	424,845	(17,830)	125	5,390	3,352	(3,363)	15,358	499,168	1,009,920	230	1,010,150
Changes in equity for the year ended 31 March 2020:												
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(128,057)	(128,057)	(100)	(128,157)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(3,729)	(15,445)	-	-	(19,174)	(6)	(19,180)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	(3,729)	(15,445)	-	(128,057)	(147,231)	(106)	(147,337)
Transfer to reserve fund	-	-	-	-	263	-	-	-	(263)	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2020	82,875	424,845	(17,830)	125	5,653	(377)	(18,808)	15,358	370,848	862,689	124	862,813

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 at 1 April 2019. Under the transition method chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

The notes on pages 54 to 123 form part of these financial statements.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Expressed in Hong Kong dollars)

		2020	2019
	Note	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Operating activities			
Net cash generated from operations	27(a)	48,952	160,326
Interest paid		(5,605)	(9,853)
Hong Kong Profits Tax paid		(1,408)	(132)
Mainland China Corporate Income Tax paid		(4,021)	(5,063)
Net cash generated from operating activities		37,918	145,278
Investing activities			
Interest received		1,605	1,467
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	27(b)	60	–
Payment for the acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(6,410)	(7,572)
Proceeds from disposal of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income		–	2,819
Dividend received from listed securities		250	258
Net cash used in investing activities		(4,495)	(3,028)
Financing activities			
Proceeds from new bank borrowings	27(c)	887,321	1,154,688
Repayment of bank borrowings	27(c)	(964,137)	(1,223,009)
Interest paid on mortgage loan	27(c)	(308)	(328)
Dividends paid		–	(12,432)
Contribution from non-controlling interests		–	238
Capital element of lease rentals paid	27(c)	(1,626)	–
Interest element of lease rentals paid	27(c)	(95)	–
Net cash used in financing activities		(78,845)	(80,843)
(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents		(45,422)	61,407
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		356,734	300,364
Effect of foreign exchange rates changes		(5,197)	(5,037)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	19(b)	306,115	356,734

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 at 1 April 2019. Under the transition method chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

The notes on pages 54 to 123 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements

(Expressed in Hong Kong dollars unless otherwise indicated)

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on 11 November 2005 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands. The address of the Company's registered office is Uglan House, South Church Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (together, the "Group") are trading of zinc, zinc alloy, nickel, nickel-related products, aluminium, aluminium alloy, stainless steel and other electroplating chemical products in Hong Kong and Mainland China.

The Company's shares are listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The consolidated financial statements are presented in thousands of Hong Kong dollars ("HK dollars"), unless otherwise stated, and have been approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 29 June 2020.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied in all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with all applicable Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRS"), which collective term includes all individual Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and interpretations issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong. These financial statements also comply with the applicable disclosure requirements of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange and the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance ("CO"). The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis, except for financial assets and derivative financial instruments which are carried at fair values.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with HKFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgment in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgment or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed in note 4.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020

The HKICPA has issued a new HKFRS, HKFRS 16, *Leases*, and a number of amendments to HKFRSs that are first effective for the current accounting period of the Group. Except for HKFRS 16, *Leases*, none of the developments have had a material effect on how the Group's results and financial position for the current or prior periods have been prepared or presented. The Group has not applied any new standard or interpretation that is not yet effective for the current accounting period.

HKFRS 16, Leases

HKFRS 16 replaces HKAS 17, *Leases*, and the related interpretations, HK(IFRIC) 4, *Determining whether an arrangement contains a lease*, HK(SIC) 15, *Operating leases – incentives*, and HK(SIC) 27, *Evaluating the substance of transactions involving the legal form of a lease*. It introduces a single accounting model for lessees, which requires a lessee to recognise a right-of-use asset and a lease liability for all leases, except for leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less ("short-term leases") and leases of low value assets. The lessor accounting requirements are brought forward from HKAS 17 substantially unchanged.

The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 as from 1 April 2019. The Group has elected to use the modified retrospective approach and has therefore recognised the cumulative effect of initial application as an adjustment to the opening balance of equity at 1 April 2019. Comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under HKAS 17.

Further details of the nature and effect of the changes to previous accounting policies and the transition options applied are set out below:

(a) New definition of a lease

The change in the definition of a lease mainly relates to the concept of control. HKFRS 16 defines a lease on the basis of whether a customer controls the use of an identified asset for a period of time, which may be determined by a defined amount of use. Control is conveyed where the customer has both the right to direct the use of the identified asset and to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from that use.

The Group applies the new definition of a lease in HKFRS 16 only to contracts that were entered into or changed on or after 1 April 2019. For contracts entered into before 1 April 2019, the Group has used the transitional practical expedient to grandfather the previous assessment of which existing arrangements are or contain leases. Accordingly, contracts that were previously assessed as leases under HKAS 17 continue to be accounted for as leases under HKFRS 16 and contracts previously assessed as non-lease service arrangements continue to be accounted for as executory contracts.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Continued)

HKFRS 16, Leases (Continued)

(b) Lessee accounting

HKFRS 16 eliminates the requirement for a lessee to classify leases as either operating leases or finance leases, as was previously required by HKAS 17. Instead, the Group is required to capitalise all leases when it is the lessee, including leases previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17, other than those short-term leases and leases of low-value assets.

As far as the Group is concerned, these newly capitalised leases are primarily in relation to properties as disclosed in note 15.

At the date of transition to HKFRS 16 (i.e. 1 April 2019), the Group determined the length of the remaining lease terms and measured the lease liabilities for the leases previously classified as operating leases at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the relevant incremental borrowing rates at 1 April 2019. The weighted average of incremental borrowing rates used for determination of the present value of the remaining lease payments was 4.05%

To ease the transition to HKFRS 16, the Group applied the following recognition exemption and practical expedients at the date of initial application of HKFRS 16:

- (i) The Group elected not to apply the requirements of HKFRS 16 in respect of the recognition of lease liabilities and right-of-use assets to leases for which the remaining lease term ends within 12 months from the date of initial application of HKFRS 16, i.e. where the lease term ends on or before 31 March 2020; and
- (ii) When measuring the lease liabilities at the date of initial application of HKFRS 16, the Group applied a single discount rate to a portfolio of leases with reasonable similar characteristics (such as leases with a similar remaining lease term for a similar class of underlying asset in a similar economic environment).

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Continued)

HKFRS 16, Leases (Continued)

(b) Lessee accounting (Continued)

The following table reconciles the operating lease commitments as disclosed in note 28 as at 31 March 2019 to the opening balance for lease liabilities recognised as at 1 April 2019:

	1 April 2019 \$'000
Operating lease commitments at 31 March 2019	1,733
Less: commitments relating to leases exempt from capitalisation: – short-term leases and other leases with remaining lease term ending on or before 31 March 2020	(298)
	1,435
Less: total future interest expenses	(71)
Present value of remaining lease payments, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate and total lease liabilities recognised at 1 April 2019	1,364

The right-of-use assets in relation to leases previously classified as operating leases have been recognised as if HKFRS 16 had always been applied since the commencement date of the lease (other than discounting using the relevant incremental borrowing rate at 1 April 2019).

Upon the initial application of HKFRS 16 on 1 April 2019, the Group recognised lease liabilities of \$1,364,000 and corresponding right-of-use assets of \$1,334,000 in relation to the capitalisation of properties leased for own use previously classified as operating leases. As lease liabilities were measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounting using the relevant incremental borrowing rates as at 1 April 2019, the amount recognised for right-of-use assets and lease liabilities would be different.

Interests in leasehold land held for own use under operating leases of \$17,976,000 were reclassified to right-of-use assets on 1 April 2019. Leasehold land as finance lease included in "other property, plant and equipment" of \$3,511,000 were also identified as right-of-use assets on 1 April 2019.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Continued)

HKFRS 16, Leases (Continued)

(b) Lessee accounting (Continued)

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in “other property, plant and equipment” and presents lease liabilities separately in the consolidated statement of financial position.

The following table summarises the impacts of the adoption of HKFRS 16 on the Group’s consolidated statement of financial position:

	Carrying amount at 31 March 2019 \$'000	Capitalisation of operating lease contracts \$'000	Reclassification of leasehold land \$'000	Carrying amount at 1 April 2019 \$'000
Line items in the consolidated statement of financial position impacted by the adoption of HKFRS 16:				
Interests in leasehold land held for own use under operating leases	17,976	–	(17,976)	–
Other property, plant and equipment	35,744	1,334	17,976	55,054
Total non-current assets	129,488	1,334	–	130,822
Lease liabilities (current)	–	1,052	–	1,052
Current liabilities	271,892	1,052	–	272,944
Net current assets	900,300	(1,052)	–	899,248
Total assets less current liabilities	1,029,788	282	–	1,030,070
Lease liabilities (non-current)	–	312	–	312
Total non-current liabilities	19,608	312	–	19,920
Net assets	1,010,180	(30)	–	1,010,150

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Continued)

HKFRS 16, Leases (Continued)

(c) Impact on the financial result, segment results and cash flows of the Group

After the initial recognition of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities as at 1 April 2019, the Group as a lessee is required to recognise interest expense accrued on the outstanding balance of the lease liability, and the depreciation of the right-of-use asset, instead of the previous policy of recognising rental expenses incurred under operating leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term. This results in a positive impact on the reported loss from operations in the Group's consolidated statement of profit or loss, as compared to the results if HKAS 17 had been applied during the year.

In the consolidated statement of cash flows, the Group as a lessee is required to split rentals paid under capitalised leases into their capital element and interest element (see note 27). These elements are classified as financing cash outflows, similar to how leases previously classified as finance leases under HKAS 17 were treated, rather than as operating cash outflows, as was the case for operating leases under HKAS 17. Although total cash flows are unaffected, the adoption of HKFRS 16 therefore results in a significant change in presentation of cash flows within the statement of cash flows (see note 27).

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Continued)

HKFRS 16, Leases (Continued)

(c) Impact on the financial result, segment results and cash flows of the Group (Continued)

The following tables give an indication of the estimated impact of the adoption of HKFRS 16 on the Group's financial result, segment results and cash flows for the year ended 31 March 2020, by adjusting the amounts reported under HKFRS 16 in these consolidated financial statements to compute estimates of the hypothetical amounts that would have been recognised under HKAS 17 if this superseded standard had continued to apply in 2020 instead of HKFRS 16, and by comparing these hypothetical amounts for 2020 with the actual 2019 corresponding amounts which were prepared under HKAS 17.

	2020			2019	Compared to amounts reported for 2019 under HKAS 17
	Amounts reported under HKFRS 16	Add back: HKFRS 16 depreciation and interest expense	Deduct: Estimated amounts related to operating leases as if under HKAS 17 (note 1)		
	(A)	(B)	(C)	(D=A+B-C)	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Financial result for year ended 31 March 2020 impacted by the adoption of HKFRS 16:					
Loss from operations	(118,991)	2,195	(1,737)	(118,533)	(72,981)
Net finance costs	(4,403)	95	-	(4,308)	(8,714)
Loss before taxation	(123,394)	2,290	(1,737)	(122,841)	(81,695)
Loss for the year	(128,157)	2,290	(1,737)	(127,604)	(86,660)
Reportable segment results for year ended 31 March 2020 (note 5(a)) impacted by the adoption of HKFRS 16:					
- Hong Kong	(127,061)	1,519	(1,000)	(126,542)	(92,376)
- Mainland China	22,144	676	(737)	22,083	16,422
- Total	(104,917)	2,195	(1,737)	(104,459)	(75,954)

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(i) Changes in accounting policies for the year ended 31 March 2020 (Continued)

HKFRS 16, Leases (Continued)

(c) Impact on the financial result, segment results and cash flows of the Group (Continued)

	2020			2019
	Amounts reported under HKFRS 16 (A) \$'000	Estimated amounts related to operating leases as if under HKAS 17 (notes 1 & 2) (B) \$'000	Hypothetical amounts for 2020 as if under HKAS 17 (C=A+B) \$'000	Compared to amounts reported for 2019 under HKAS 17 \$'000
Line items in the consolidated statement of cash flows for year ended 31 March 2020 impacted by the adoption of HKFRS 16:				
Cash generated from operations	48,952	(1,721)	47,231	160,326
Net cash generated from operating activities	37,918	(1,721)	36,197	145,278
Capital element of lease rentals paid	(1,626)	1,626	–	–
Interest element of lease rentals paid	(95)	95	–	–
Net cash used in financing activities	(78,845)	1,721	(77,124)	(80,843)

Note 1: The “estimated amounts related to operating leases” is an estimate of the amounts of cash flows in 2020 that relate to leases which would have been classified as operating leases, if HKAS 17 had still applied in 2020. This estimate assumes that there were no differences between rentals and cash flows and that all of the new leases entered into in 2020 would have been classified as operating leases under HKAS 17, if HKAS 17 had still applied in 2020. Any potential net tax effect is ignored.

Note 2: In this impact table these cash outflows are reclassified from financing to operating in order to compute hypothetical amounts of net cash generated from operating activities and net cash used in financing activities as if HKAS 17 still applied.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Application of new and revised Hong Kong financial reporting standards (Continued)

(ii) Possible impact of amendments, new standards and interpretations issued but not yet effective for the year ended 31 March 2020.

Up to the date of issue of these financial statements, the HKICPA has issued a number of amendments and a new standard, HKFRS17, *Insurance*, which are not yet effective for the year ended 31 March 2020 and which have not been adopted in these financial statements. These include the following which may be relevant to the Group.

	Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after
Amendments to HKFRS 3, <i>Definition of a business</i>	1 January 2020
Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKAS 8, <i>Definition of material</i>	1 January 2020

The Group is in the process of making an assessment of what the impact of these amendments, new standards and interpretations is expected to be in the period of initial application. So far it has concluded that the adoption of them is unlikely to have significant impact on the consolidated financial statements.

(c) Consolidation

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

(i) Business combinations

Business combinations involving entities under common control

A business combination involving entities under common control is a business combination in which all of the combining entities are ultimately controlled by the same party or parties both before and after the business combination, and that control is not transitory. The assets acquired and liabilities assumed are measured based on their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements of the ultimate controlling party at the combination date. The difference between the carrying amount of the net assets acquired and the consideration paid for the combination (or the total face value of shares issued) is adjusted against merger reserve. Any cost directly attributable to the combination is recognised in profit or loss when incurred. The combination date is the date on which one combining entity obtains control of other combining entities.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(c) Consolidation (Continued)

(i) Business combinations (Continued)

Business combinations involving entities under common control (Continued)

The Group applies the acquisition method to account for business combinations involving entities not under common control. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. The Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree on an acquisition-by-acquisition basis, either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the recognised amounts of acquiree's identifiable net assets.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is re-measured to fair value at the acquisition date; any gains or losses arising from such re-measurement are recognised in profit or loss.

The excess of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over the fair value of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If the total of consideration transferred, non-controlling interest recognised and previously held interest measured is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired in the case of a bargain purchase, the difference is recognised directly in profit or loss.

Intra-group transactions, balances and unrealised gain on transactions between group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed when necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

(ii) Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries without change of control

Transactions with non-controlling interests that do not result in loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions – that is, as transactions with the owners in their capacity as owners. The difference between fair value of any consideration paid and the relevant share acquired of the carrying value of net assets of the subsidiary is recorded in equity. Gains or losses on disposals to non-controlling interests are also recorded in equity.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(c) Consolidation (Continued)

(iii) Disposal of subsidiaries

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in that subsidiary, with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. Any interest retained in that former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is recognised at fair value and this amount is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition of a financial asset or, when appropriate, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate or joint venture. In addition, any amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of the former subsidiary are reclassified to profit or loss.

(iv) Company's statement of financial position

In the Company's statement of financial position, investments in subsidiaries are accounted for at cost less impairment. Cost includes direct attributable costs of investment. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividend received and receivable.

Impairment testing of the investments in subsidiaries is required when there is any indication that the investment is impaired or upon receiving dividends from these investments if the dividend exceeds the total comprehensive income of the subsidiary in the period the dividend is declared or if the carrying amount of the investment in the Company's statement of financial position exceeds the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements of the investee's net assets including goodwill.

(d) Foreign currency translation

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's entities are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ("the functional currency"). The consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars, which is the Company's functional and the Group's presentation currency.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions during the year are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rates ruling at the end of the reporting period. Exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. The transaction date is the date on which the Group initially recognises such non-monetary assets or liabilities. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value was measured.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(d) Foreign currency translation (Continued)

(iii) Group companies

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

- assets and liabilities for each statement of financial position presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that statement of financial position;
- income and expenses for each statement of profit or loss are translated at average exchange rates (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the dates of the transactions); and
- all resulting currency translation differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated separately in equity in the exchange reserve.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate. Currency translation differences arising are recognised in the other comprehensive income.

(e) Property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets

Property, plant and equipment, including right-of-use assets arising from leases of property, plant and equipment (see note 2(g)), are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(e) Property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets (Continued)

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are calculated using the straight-line basis to allocate cost less estimated residual values, if any, over their estimated useful lives. The principal annual rates are as follows:

– Buildings	2.5% to 5%
– Leasehold land	Over the lease term
– Properties leased for own use	Over the lease term
– Leasehold improvements	20% to 33 ¹ / ₃ %
– Motor vehicles and yacht	10% to 30%
– Machinery	10% to 30%
– Furniture, fixtures and office equipment	20%
– Computer system	20% to 33 ¹ / ₃ %

The assets' residual values, if any, and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount (note 2(h)).

On the transfer of owner occupied property to investment property, increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation are credited to other comprehensive income and accumulated in property revaluation reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged in other comprehensive income and debited against property revaluation reserve directly in equity whereas all other decreases are charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised within "other net gains/losses" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss on the date of retirement or disposal. Any related revaluation surplus is transferred from the property revaluation reserve to retained profits and is not reclassified to profit or loss.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(f) Investment properties

Investment property is held for long-term rental yields or for capital appreciation or both, and that is not occupied by the Group. Investment property is initially measured at cost, including related transaction costs and where applicable borrowing costs. After initial recognition, investment properties are carried at fair value, representing open market value determined at each reporting date by external valuers. Fair value is based on active market prices, adjusted, if necessary, for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset.

If an investment property becomes owner-occupied, it is reclassified as property, plant and equipment and its fair value at the date of reclassification becomes its deemed cost for accounting purposes. The deemed cost of property, plant and equipment is used as the basis for the carrying amount and depreciation of the asset.

(g) Leased assets

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control is conveyed where the customer has both the right to direct the use of the identified asset and to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from that use.

(i) As a lessee

(A) Policy applicable from 1 April 2019

At the lease commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, except for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less. When the Group enters into a lease in respect of a low-value asset, the Group decides whether to capitalise the lease on a lease-by-lease basis. The lease payments associated with those leases which are not capitalised are recognised as an expense on a systematic basis over the lease term.

Where the lease is capitalised, the lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments payable over the lease term, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, using a relevant incremental borrowing rate. After initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost and interest expense is calculated using the effective interest method. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability and hence are charged to profit or loss in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Leased assets (Continued)

(i) As a lessee (Continued)

(A) Policy applicable from 1 April 2019 (Continued)

The right-of-use asset recognised when a lease is capitalised is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability plus any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, and any initial direct costs incurred. Where applicable, the cost of the right-of-use assets also includes an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, discounted to their present value, less any lease incentives received. The right-of-use asset is subsequently stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (see notes 2(e) and 2(h)).

The lease liability is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, or there is a change in the Group's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or there is a change arising from the reassessment of whether the Group will be reasonably certain to exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero. The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property in "other property, plant and equipment" and presents lease liabilities separately in the consolidated statement of financial position.

(B) Policy applicable prior to 1 April 2019

In the comparative period, as a lessee the Group classified leases as finance leases if the leases transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the Group. Leases which did not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the Group were classified as operating leases.

Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessor), including upfront payments made for leasehold land classified as operating leases, were charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Leasehold land under operating leases was stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Cost represented consideration paid for the rights to use the land on which various plants and buildings were situated. Amortisation of leasehold land was calculated on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(g) Leased assets (Continued)

(ii) As a lessor

When the Group acts as a lessor, it determines at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease. A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to the ownership of an underlying assets to the lessee. If this is not the case, the lease is classified as an operating lease.

When a contract contains lease and non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each component on a relative stand-alone selling price basis. The rental income from operating leases is recognised in accordance with note 2(v).

(h) Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

Where an impairment loss is subsequently reversed, the carrying amount of the asset (cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount to the extent 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 (cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

(i) Other investments in equity securities

The Group's policies for investments in equity securities, other than investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, are set out below. Investments in equity securities are recognised/derecognised on the date the Group commits to purchase/sell the investment. The investments are initially stated at fair value plus directly attributable transaction costs, except for those investments measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL") for which transaction costs are recognised directly in profit or loss. These investments are subsequently accounted for as follows, depending on their classification.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(i) Other investments in equity securities (Continued)

An investment in equity securities is classified as FVPL unless the equity investment is not held for trading purposes and on initial recognition of the investment the Group makes an irrevocable election to designate the investment at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") (non-recycling) such that subsequent changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income. Such elections are made on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but may only be made if the investment meets the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective. Where such an election is made, the amount accumulated in other comprehensive income remains in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) until the investment is disposed of. At the time of disposal, the amount accumulated in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) is transferred to retained earnings. It is not recycled through profit or loss. Dividends from an investment in equity securities, irrespective of whether classified as at FVPL or FVOCI, are recognised in profit or loss as other income in accordance with the policy set out in note 2(v).

(j) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less 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 is recognised as a reduction in the amount of inventories recognised as an expense in the period in which the reversal occurs.

(k) Credit losses from financial instruments

The Group requires a loss allowance for expected credit losses ("ECLs") on financial assets measured at amortised cost (including cash and cash equivalents, cash held on behalf of customers and trade and other receivables).

Financial assets measured at fair value, including equity securities measured at FVOCI (non-recycling) and derivative financial assets, are not subject to the ECL assessment.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(k) Credit losses from financial instruments (Continued)

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all expected cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive).

The expected cash shortfalls of trade and other receivables are discounted using the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition or an approximation thereof where the effect of discounting is material.

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Group is exposed to credit risk.

In measuring ECLs, the Group takes into account reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort. This includes information about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

ECLs are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- lifetime ECLs: these are losses that are expected to result from all possible default events over the expected lives of the items to which the ECL model applies.

Loss allowances for trade receivables are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. ECLs on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors and an assessment of both the current and forecast general economic conditions at the reporting date.

For all other financial instruments, the Group recognises a loss allowance equal to 12-month ECLs unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk of the financial instrument since initial recognition, in which case the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(k) Credit losses from financial instruments (Continued)

Significant increases in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk of a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of default occurring on the financial instrument assessed at the reporting date with that assessed at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers that a default event occurs when the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, without recourse by the Group to actions such as realising security (if any is held). The Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition:

- failure to make payments of principal or interest on their contractually due dates;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in a financial instrument's external or internal credit rating (if available);
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor; and
- existing or forecast changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have a significant adverse effect on the debtor's ability to meet its obligation to the Group.

Depending on the nature of the financial instruments, the assessment of a significant increase in credit risk is performed on either an individual basis or a collective basis. When the assessment is performed on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics, such as past due status and credit risk ratings.

ECLs are remeasured at each reporting date to reflect changes in the financial instrument credit risk since initial recognition. Any change in the ECL amount is recognised as an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss. The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment to their carrying amount through a loss allowance account.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(k) Credit losses from financial instruments (Continued)

Basis of calculation of interest income

Interest income recognised in accordance with note 2(v) is calculated based on the gross carrying amount of the financial asset unless the financial asset is credit-impaired, in which case interest income is calculated based on the amortised cost (i.e. the gross carrying amount less loss allowance) of the financial asset.

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether a financial asset is credit-impaired. A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable events:

- significant financial difficulties of the debtor;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or delinquency in interest or principal payments;
- it becoming probable that the borrower will enter into bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- significant changes in the technological, market, economic or legal environment that have an adverse effect on the debtor.

Write-off policy

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Group determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off.

Subsequent recoveries of an asset that was previously written off are recognised as a reversal of impairment in profit or loss in the period in which the recovery occurs.

(l) Trade and other receivables

A receivable is recognised when the Group has an unconditional right to receive consideration. A right to receive consideration is unconditional if only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due. If revenue has been recognised before the Group has an unconditional right to receive consideration, the amount is presented as contract assets.

Receivables are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method less allowance for credit losses (see note 2(k)).

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, having been within three months of maturity at acquisition. Cash and cash equivalents are assessed for ECL in accordance with the policy set out in note 2(k).

(n) Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value on the date a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair values. Changes in the fair value of those derivative instruments that do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised immediately in the consolidated statement of profit or loss within "other net gains/losses".

(o) Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares or options are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

(p) Trade and other payables

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Trade payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

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

(q) Contract liabilities

A contract liability is recognised when the customer pays non-refundable consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue (see note 2(v)). A contract liability would also be recognised if the Group has an unconditional right to receive non-refundable consideration before the Group recognises the related revenue. In such cases, a corresponding receivable would also be recognised (see note 2(l)).

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(r) Borrowings

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

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a pre-payment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

(s) Income tax

Income tax for the year comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the relevant amounts of tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

Current tax is calculated on the basis of the tax laws enacted or substantively enacted at the end of the reporting period in the countries where the Group operates and generates taxable income. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulation is subject to interpretation. It establishes provisions where appropriate on the basis of amounts expected to be paid to the tax authorities.

Deferred tax is recognised, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements. However, the deferred tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period and are expected to apply when the related deferred tax asset is realised or the deferred tax liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(s) Income tax (Continued)

Deferred tax liabilities are provided on taxable temporary differences arising from investments in subsidiaries, except for deferred tax liability where the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference is controlled by the Group and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised on deductible temporary differences arising from investments in subsidiaries only to the extent that it is probable the temporary difference will reverse in the future and there is sufficient taxable profit available against which the temporary difference can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred tax assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

(t) Employee benefits

(i) Pension obligation

The Group participates in mandatory provident fund schemes ("MPF Schemes") for all employees in Hong Kong pursuant to the Mandatory Provident Fund Schemes Ordinance. The contributions to the MPF Schemes are based on a minimum statutory contribution requirement of 5% of eligible employees' relevant aggregate income (with a current cap of \$1,500). The assets of the MPF Schemes are held in separate trustee-administered funds.

The Group's contributions to the MPF Schemes are expensed as incurred.

The employees of the Group's operations in Mainland China are required to participate in a central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government. The Group's relevant entities are required to contribute a specified percentage of its payroll costs to the central pension scheme. The contributions are expensed in the consolidated statement of profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme.

(ii) Employee leave entitlements

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service payments are recognised when they accrue to employees. Provisions are made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service payments as a result of services rendered by employees up to the end of the reporting period.

Employee entitlements to sick leave and maternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(t) Employee benefits (Continued)

(iii) Bonus plan

The expected cost of bonus payments is recognised as a liability when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of services rendered by employees and a reliable estimate of the obligation can be made. Liabilities of the bonus plan are expected to be settled within twelve months and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when they are settled.

(iv) Employee retirement benefit obligations

The Group's net obligation in respect of lump sum long service amounts payable on cessation of employment in certain circumstances under the Hong Kong Employment Ordinance is the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The obligation is calculated using the projected unit credit method by a qualified actuary, discounted to its present value, and the fair value of any related plan assets is deducted. The discount rate is the Hong Kong government zero coupon bond yields as at the date of statement of financial position.

(u) Provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

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.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(v) Revenue and income recognition

Income is classified by the Group as revenue when it arises from the sale of goods in the ordinary course of the Group's business.

Revenue is recognised when control over a product or service is transferred to the customer at the amount of promised consideration to which the Group is expected to be entitled, excluding those amounts collected on behalf of third parties. Revenue excludes value added tax or other sales taxes and is after deduction of any trade discounts.

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when the customer take possession of and accepts the products, which generally coincides with the time when the goods are delivered to customers and title has passed.

Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method.

Management fee income is recognised when services are rendered.

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

Technical consultancy service income is recognised when services are rendered.

Commission from brokerage services on dealings in futures are recognised on the transaction dates when the relevant contract notes are exchanged.

Rental income receivable under operating leases is recognised in profit or loss in equal instalments over the periods covered by the lease term, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the use of the leased asset.

(w) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs that are 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 or sale are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset. Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

(x) Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the Group's senior executive management, including executive directors, chief executive officer, chief operation officer and chief financial officer, who collectively review the Group's internal reporting in order to make strategic decisions.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(x) Segment reporting (Continued)

Individually material operating segments are not aggregated for financial reporting purposes unless the segments have similar economic characteristics and are similar in respect of the nature of products and services, the nature of production processes, the type or class of customers, the methods used to distribute the products or provide the services, and the nature of the regulatory environment. Operating segments which are not individually material may be aggregated if they share a majority of these criteria.

(y) Dividend distribution

Dividend distribution to the Company's shareholders is recognised as a liability in the Group's and the Company's financial statements in the period in which the dividends are approved by the Company's shareholders.

(z) Related parties

- (i) A person, or close member of that person's family, is related to the Group if that person:
 - (1) has control or joint control over the Group;
 - (2) has significant influence over the Group; or
 - (3) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or the Group's parent.
- (ii) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions applies:
 - (1) the entity and the Group are members of the same group (which means that each parent, subsidiary and follow subsidiary is related to the others).
 - (2) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a group of which the other entity is a member).
 - (3) both entities are joint ventures of the same third party.
 - (4) one entity is a joint venture of a third party and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.
 - (5) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group.
 - (6) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (i).
 - (7) a person identified in (i)(1) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).
 - (8) the entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Group or to the Group's parent.

Close family members of an individual are those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the entity.

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

(a) Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including foreign exchange risk, cash flow and fair value interest rate risks and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance.

(i) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk primarily arises from recognised assets and liabilities, such as bank balances and cash, trade receivables, trade payables, and bank borrowings, denominated in United States Dollars ("US dollars") and Renminbi ("RMB").

Management conducts periodic reviews of exposure and requirements of various currencies, and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposures should the need arise.

In respect of US dollars, the Group considers that minimal risk arises as the rate of exchange between HK dollars and US dollars is controlled within a tight range under the Hong Kong's Linked Exchange Rate System.

In respect of RMB, at 31 March 2020, if RMB had strengthened/weakened by 5% (2019: 5%) against the Hong Kong dollars with all other variables held constant, post-tax loss for the year would have been increased/decreased by approximately \$1,553,000 (2019: decreased/increased by \$5,984,000).

(ii) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risks

The Group has certain bank borrowings at floating interest rates with maturities of less than 120 days in general, which subject the Group to cash flow interest rate risk.

At 31 March 2020, if interest rates on bank borrowings and lease liabilities had been 50 basis points higher/lower with all other variables held constant, post-tax loss for the year would have been increased/decreased by approximately \$115,000 (2019: \$322,000) as a result of higher/lower interest expense on bank borrowings and lease liabilities.

The Group's bank deposits were at fixed rates and expose the Group to fair value interest risk. As all the Group's bank deposits were short-term in nature, any change in the interest rate from time to time is not considered to have significant impact to the Group's financial performance.

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(a) Financial risk factors (Continued)

(iii) Price risk

The Group is exposed to equity securities price risk mainly because of the investment in listed equity instrument in Hong Kong, classified on the consolidated statement of financial position as financial assets at FVOCI.

At 31 March 2020, if the fair value of the listed equity instrument increased or decreased by 5%, the Group's equity would have been increased or decreased by approximately \$233,000 (2019: \$419,000).

The Group is also exposed to commodity price risk in relation to its metal products which is largely dependent on the material price of the relevant commodity. The Group closely monitors the price of its products in order to determine its pricing strategies.

(iv) Credit risk

Credit risk is managed on a group basis. Credit risk arises from deposits with banks and financial institutions, as well as credit exposures to customers and other counter parties, including outstanding trade and other receivables and committed transactions.

The carrying amounts of bank deposits and trade and other receivables included in the consolidated financial statements represent the Group's maximum exposure of credit risk in relation to its financial assets.

All bank deposits are placed with highly reputable and sizable banks and financial institutions without significant credit risk.

The Group has no significant concentration of credit risk, with exposure spread over a large number customers and the exposure over a large number of customers and other counter parties.

Individual credit evaluations are performed on all customers requiring credit over a certain amount. These evaluations focus on the customer's past history of making payments when due and current ability to pay, and take into account information specific to the customer as well as pertaining to the economic environment in which the customer operates. The Group offers credit terms to customers ranging from cash on delivery to 90 days. Normally, the Group does not obtain collateral from customers.

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(a) Financial risk factors (Continued)

(iv) Credit risk (Continued)

The Group measures loss allowances for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, which is calculated using a provision matrix. As the Group's historical credit loss experience does not indicate significantly different loss patterns for different customer segments, the loss allowance based on past due status is not further distinguished between the Group's different customer bases.

Expected loss rates are based on actual loss experience over the past twelve months. These rates are adjusted to reflect differences between economic conditions during the period over which the historic data has been collected, current conditions and the Group's view of economic conditions over the expected lives of the receivables.

Movement in the loss allowance account in respect of trade receivables during the year is as follows:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
At beginning of the year	277	747
Amounts written off during the year	–	(747)
Credit losses recognised during the year	167	277
At end of year	444	277

(v) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management includes maintaining sufficient cash and the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities. The Group aims to maintain flexibility in funding by keeping committed credit lines available.

Management monitors the Group's liquidity on the basis of availability of bank balances and cash and unutilised committed credit lines. Available bank and cash balances and committed credit lines as of 31 March 2020 are as follows:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Bank balances and cash	306,115	366,339
Less: Cash held on behalf of customers	–	(9,605)
	306,115	356,734
Committed credit lines available (Note)	526,180	579,652
Less: Utilised credit lines for bank borrowings	(119,651)	(200,787)
	406,529	378,865

Note: Credit lines available were either secured by the Group's property, plant and equipment or guaranteed by the Company (note 23).

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(a) Financial risk factors (Continued)

(v) Liquidity risk (Continued)

The following table shows the remaining contractual maturities at the end of the reporting periods of the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities and net-settled derivative financial instruments, which are based on contractual undiscounted cash flows (including interest payments computed using contractual rates or, if floating, based on rates current at the end of the reporting period) and the earliest date the Group can be required to pay.

	Contractual undiscounted cash flow					
	On demand	Between	Between	Over	Total	Carrying amount
	or within one year	1-2 years	2-5 years	5 years		
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At 31 March 2020						
Trade payables, accrued expenses and other payables	52,877	-	-	-	52,877	52,877
Lease liabilities (note)	1,168	574	8	-	1,750	1,685
Bank borrowings	108,716	1,437	4,330	7,533	122,016	119,651
Derivative financial instruments	1,043	-	-	-	1,043	1,043
	163,804	2,011	4,338	7,533	177,686	175,256
At 31 March 2019						
Trade payables, accrued expenses and other payables	74,042	-	-	-	74,042	74,042
Bank borrowings	185,609	1,538	4,581	9,223	200,951	196,467
Derivative financial instruments	3,755	-	-	-	3,755	3,755
	263,406	1,538	4,581	9,223	278,748	274,264

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise lease liabilities relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. Under this approach, the comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(b) Capital risk management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares, draw down or repay bank borrowings.

Management monitors the utilisation of borrowings and ensures full compliance with loan covenants during the period and at the end of each reporting period.

The Group monitors capital on the basis of the gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as total bank borrowings and lease liabilities divided by total equity.

The gearing ratios at of 31 March 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Total bank borrowings (note 23)	119,651	196,467
Total lease liabilities (note 25)	1,685	–
	121,336	196,467
Total equity	862,813	1,010,180
Gearing ratio	14.1%	19.4%

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise lease liabilities relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. Under this approach, the comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(c) Fair value measurement

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets including trade and other receivables and bank balances and cash; and financial liabilities including trade and other payables and bank borrowings approximate their fair values.

The fair values of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are determined by using valuation techniques.

The following table presents the fair value of the Group's financial instruments measured at the end of the reporting period on a recurring basis, categorised into three-level fair value hierarchy as defined in HKFRS 13, *Fair value measurement*. The level into which a fair value measurement is classified is determined with reference to the observability and significance of inputs used in the valuation technique as follows:

- Level 1 valuations: Fair value measured using only Level 1 inputs i.e. unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date
- Level 2 valuations: Fair value measured using Level 2 inputs i.e. observable inputs which fail to meet Level 1, and not using significant unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs are inputs for which market data are not available
- Level 3 valuations: Fair value measured using significant unobservable inputs

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(c) Fair value measurement (Continued)

	Fair value at 31 March	Fair value measurement as at 31 March 2020 categorised into		
	2020 \$'000	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	2,473	–	2,473	–
Financial assets at FVOCI	4,651	4,651	–	–
	7,124	4,651	2,473	–
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	1,043	–	1,043	–

	Fair value at 31 March	Fair value measurement as at 31 March 2019 categorised into		
	2019 \$'000	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	2,041	–	2,041	–
Financial assets at FVOCI	8,380	8,380	–	–
	10,421	8,380	2,041	–
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	3,755	–	3,755	–

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3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(c) Fair value measurement (Continued)

The fair values of financial assets at FVOCI are based on quoted market prices at the date of consolidated statement of financial position. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1.

The fair value of derivative financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

There were no transfers of financial assets between level 1 and level 2, or transfer into or out of level 3 in respect of the fair value hierarchy classifications.

At 31 March 2020, the Group had outstanding future trading contracts mainly to sell/purchase nickel and zinc and future exchange contracts to sell Renminbi, US dollars and New Taiwan dollars. The maximum notional principal amounts of these future contracts at 31 March 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Future trading contracts		
Buy	–	373
Sell	1,478	–
Future exchange contracts		
Renminbi	48,070	114,422
New Taiwan dollars	34,061	8,650
US dollars	8,791	–

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of the derivative assets in the consolidated statement of financial position.

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4 ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

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

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. As the future is inherently uncertain, actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

(a) Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets including property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The recoverable amounts have been determined based on value-in-use calculations or fair value less costs of disposal. These calculations require the use of judgements and estimates.

Management judgement is required in the area of asset impairment particularly in assessing: (i) whether an event has occurred that may indicate that the related asset values may not be recoverable; (ii) whether the carrying value of an asset can be supported by the recoverable amount, being the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and net present value of future cash flows which are estimated based upon the continued use of the asset in the business; and (iii) the selection of the most appropriate valuation technique, e.g. the market approach, the income approach, as well as a combination of approaches, including the adjusted net asset method; and (iv) the appropriate key assumptions to be applied in preparing cash flow projections including whether these cash flow projections are discounted using an appropriate rate. Changing the assumptions selected by management in assessing impairment, including the discount rates or the growth rate assumptions in the cash flow projections, could materially affect the net present value used in the impairment test and as a result affect the Group's financial position and results of operations. If there is a significant adverse change in the projected performance and resulting future cash flow projections, it may be necessary to take an impairment charge to profit or loss.

(b) Net realisable value of inventories

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale. These estimates are based on current market conditions and historical experience of selling goods of a similar nature. They could change as a result of changes in market conditions. Management reassesses the estimations at the end of each reporting period.

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4 ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES (Continued)

(c) Credit losses of trade and other receivables

The Group performs regular review of the receivables and makes loss allowance based on various factors including the ageing of the receivables, historical write-off experience and forward looking information. The identification of credit losses of receivables requires the use of judgement and estimates. Where the expectations are different from the original estimates, such differences will impact the carrying values of receivables and the credit losses on receivable is recognised in the years in which such estimates have been changed.

(d) Income taxes and deferred tax

The Group is subject to income taxes in various jurisdictions. Judgement is required in determining the provision for income taxes in each of these jurisdictions. There are transactions and calculations during the ordinary course of business for which the ultimate tax determination is uncertain. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

Deferred tax assets relating to certain temporary differences and tax losses are recognised when management considers it is likely that future taxable profits will be available against which the temporary differences or tax losses can be utilised. When the expectations are different from the original estimates, such differences will impact the recognition of deferred income tax assets and income tax charges in the period in which such estimates have been changed.

5 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

The Group is principally engaged in the trading of zinc, zinc alloy, nickel, nickel-related products, aluminium, aluminium alloy, stainless steel and other electroplating chemical products. Revenue recognised during the year are as follows:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Revenue		
Sales of goods	1,864,166	2,276,977

The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the Group's senior executive management, including executive directors, chief executive officer, chief operation officer and chief financial officer, who collectively review the Group's internal reporting in order to assess performance, allocate resources and make strategic decisions.

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5 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

The chief operating decision-maker reviews the performance of the Group mainly from a geographical perspective. The Group is organised into two operating segments, namely (i) Hong Kong and (ii) Mainland China. Both operating segments represent trading of different types of metal products.

(a) Segment information

The chief operating decision-maker assesses the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of operating results (before income tax) of each segment, which excludes the effects of other income, other net losses and net finance costs.

The segment information for the reporting segments as at and for the year ended 31 March 2020 and 2019 is as follows:

	Hong Kong		Mainland China		Total	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note) \$'000	\$'000	(Note) \$'000	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Segment revenue	1,041,736	1,341,464	822,430	935,513	1,864,166	2,276,977
Segment results	(127,061)	(92,376)	22,144	16,422	(104,917)	(75,954)
Other segment expenditure items included in the segment results:						
Cost of inventories recognised as expense	1,040,826	1,341,047	778,789	892,731	1,819,615	2,233,778
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7,889	8,657	1,190	783	9,079	9,440
Amortisation of leasehold land	–	437	–	131	–	568
Provision for write-down of inventories	42,126	4,018	545	29	42,671	4,047
Segment assets	752,211	942,088	304,315	359,592	1,056,526	1,301,680
Segment liabilities	81,397	130,015	112,316	161,485	193,713	291,500

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 at 1 April 2019. Under the transition method chosen, comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

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5 REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

(b) Reconciliation of segment results

	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Segment results		
Total segment results	(104,917)	(75,954)
Other income	4,228	6,040
Other net losses	(18,302)	(3,067)
Net finance costs	(4,403)	(8,714)
Loss before taxation	(123,394)	(81,695)

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach. Under this approach, the comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

6 OTHER INCOME

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Provision of technical consultancy services	2,898	4,475
Commission and brokerage income on dealings in securities	10	20
Dividend income from listed securities	250	258
Others	1,070	1,287
	4,228	6,040

7 OTHER NET LOSSES

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Gain/(loss) on disposal of property, plant and equipment (note 27(b))	5	(766)
Unrealised gain/(loss) on metal future trading contracts and foreign exchange forward contracts	2,050	(1,165)
Realised (loss)/gain on metal future trading contracts	(768)	508
Net foreign exchange loss	(2,651)	(1,644)
Impairment loss of property, plant and equipment (note 15)	(16,938)	–
	(18,302)	(3,067)

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8 LOSS FROM OPERATIONS

Loss from operations is arrived at after charging:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Auditor's remuneration		
– audit services	1,760	1,780
– other services	410	210
Depreciation [#]		
– owned property, plant and equipment	6,884	9,440
– right-of-use assets	2,195	–
Amortisation of leasehold land [#]	–	568
Staff costs, including directors' remuneration (note 10)	62,557	61,585
Total minimum lease payments for leases previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17 [#]	–	3,090
Lease payment not included in the measurement of lease liabilities	1,416	–
Cost of inventories recognised as expense	1,819,615	2,233,778
Provision for write-down of inventories	42,671	4,047
Credit loss of trade receivables	167	277

[#] The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise right-of-use assets relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. The depreciated carrying amount of the finance lease assets which were previously included in "other property, plant and equipment" is also identified as a right-of-use asset. After initial recognition of right-of-use assets at 1 April 2019, the Group as a lessee is required to recognise the depreciation of right-of-use assets, instead of the previous policy of recognising rental expenses incurred under operating leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Under this approach, the comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

9 NET FINANCE COSTS

	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Interest income	1,605	1,467
Interest on lease liabilities	(95)	–
Interest on short-term bank borrowings	(5,605)	(9,853)
Interest on mortgage loan	(308)	(328)
	(4,403)	(8,714)

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach. Under this approach, comparative information is not restated, see note 2(b).

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10 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSE (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION)

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Wages, salaries and allowances	61,007	60,046
Post-employment benefits – pension	1,550	1,539
	62,557	61,585

11 INCOME TAX

(a) Taxation in the consolidated statement of profit or loss represents:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Current tax		
– Hong Kong Profits Tax	154	840
– Mainland China Corporate Income Tax	4,711	5,003
Over-provision in prior years	(227)	(127)
	4,638	5,716
Deferred tax (note 24)	125	(751)
Income tax expense	4,763	4,965

The provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax is calculated by applying the estimated annual effective tax rate of 16.5% (2019: 16.5%) for the year. Taxation for Mainland China's subsidiaries is similarly calculated using the estimated annual effective rate of 25% (2019: 25%) for the year.

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11 INCOME TAX (Continued)

(b) Reconciliation between tax expense and accounting loss at applicable tax rates:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Loss before taxation	(123,394)	(81,695)
Notional tax on loss before taxation, calculated at rates applicable to profits in the jurisdictions concerned	(17,083)	(11,648)
Income not subject to tax	(1,081)	(1,377)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	4,716	807
Tax losses not recognised	18,824	18,484
Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax losses	(386)	(1,174)
Over-provision in prior years	(227)	(127)
Income tax expense	4,763	4,965

12 LOSS PER SHARE

(a) Basic loss per share

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing the loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company by the average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

	2020	2019
Loss attributable to equity shareholders of the Company (\$'000)	128,057	86,652
Average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	828,750	828,750
Basic loss per share (Hong Kong cents)	15.45	10.46

(b) Diluted loss per share

Diluted loss per share for the years ended 31 March 2020 and 2019 are the same as basic loss per share as there were no potential dilutive ordinary shares outstanding during the years.

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13 DIVIDENDS

(a) Dividend payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the year

The directors did not recommend the payment of interim and final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2020 and 2019.

(b) Dividend payable to equity shareholders of the Company attributable to the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Final dividend in respect of the previous financial year, approved and paid during the year, of \$Nil (2019: \$0.015) per ordinary share	–	12,432

14 INTERESTS IN LEASEHOLD LAND HELD FOR OWN USE UNDER OPERATING LEASES

The Group's interests in leasehold land represent prepaid operating lease payments and their net book values are analysed as follows:

	\$'000
Cost:	
At 1 April 2018	24,333
Exchange difference	(91)
At 31 March 2019	24,242
Impact on initial application of HKFRS 16 (note)	(24,242)
At 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020	–
Accumulated amortisation:	
At 1 April 2018	5,729
Exchange difference	(31)
Charge for the year	568
At 31 March 2019	6,266
Impact on initial application of HKFRS 16 (note)	(6,266)
At 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020	–
Net book value:	
At 31 March 2020	–
At 31 March 2019	17,976

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise right-of-use assets relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. See note 2(b).

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15 INVESTMENT PROPERTY AND OTHER PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Right-of-use assets – leasehold land held for own use \$'000	Right-of-use assets – properties held for own use \$'000	Buildings \$'000	Leasehold improvements \$'000	Motor vehicles and yacht \$'000	Machinery \$'000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment \$'000	Computer system \$'000	Sub-total \$'000	Investment property \$'000	Total \$'000
Cost or valuation:											
At 31 March 2019	5,900	–	19,880	35,553	38,207	32,208	7,570	10,807	150,125	64,600	214,725
Impact on initial application of HKFRS 16 (note)	24,242	1,334	–	–	–	–	–	–	25,576	–	25,576
At 1 April 2019	30,142	1,334	19,880	35,553	38,207	32,208	7,570	10,807	175,701	64,600	240,301
Exchange difference	(86)	(42)	(955)	–	(8)	(777)	(134)	(98)	(2,100)	–	(2,100)
Additions	–	1,963	136	1,685	691	2,677	126	976	8,254	–	8,254
Disposals	–	–	–	–	(1,703)	(871)	(56)	(73)	(2,703)	–	(2,703)
At 31 March 2020	30,056	3,255	19,061	37,238	37,187	33,237	7,506	11,612	179,152	64,600	243,752
Representing:											
Cost	30,056	3,255	19,061	37,238	37,187	33,237	7,506	11,612	179,152	–	179,152
Valuation – 2020	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	64,600	64,600
At 31 March 2020	30,056	3,255	19,061	37,238	37,187	33,237	7,506	11,612	179,152	64,600	243,752
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses:											
At 31 March 2019	2,389	–	6,323	32,361	33,843	23,826	6,312	9,327	114,381	–	114,381
Impact on initial application of HKFRS 16 (note)	6,266	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	6,266	–	6,266
At 1 April 2019	8,655	–	6,323	32,361	33,843	23,826	6,312	9,327	120,647	–	120,647
Exchange difference	(31)	(24)	(627)	–	(6)	(669)	(116)	(94)	(1,567)	–	(1,567)
Depreciation charge for the year	691	1,504	861	1,117	1,703	2,256	349	598	9,079	–	9,079
Impairment loss recognised during the year	8,444	–	8,494	–	–	–	–	–	16,938	–	16,938
Written back on disposals	–	–	–	–	(1,703)	(835)	(50)	(60)	(2,648)	–	(2,648)
At 31 March 2020	17,759	1,480	15,051	33,478	33,837	24,578	6,495	9,771	142,449	–	142,449
Net book value:											
At 31 March 2020	12,297	1,775	4,010	3,760	3,350	8,659	1,011	1,841	36,703	64,600	101,303

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise right-of-use assets relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. The depreciated carrying amount of the finance lease assets which were previously included in "other property, plant and equipment" is also identified as a right-of-use asset. See note 2(b).

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	Leasehold land as finance lease \$'000	Buildings \$'000	Leasehold improvements \$'000	Motor vehicles and yacht \$'000	Machinery \$'000	Furniture, fixtures and office equipment \$'000	Computer system \$'000	Sub-total \$'000	Investment property \$'000	Total \$'000
Cost or valuation:										
At 1 April 2018	5,900	70,691	32,338	37,624	30,219	9,033	10,286	196,091	-	196,091
Exchange difference	-	(1,011)	-	(23)	(811)	(164)	(120)	(2,129)	-	(2,129)
Additions	-	-	3,215	606	2,800	122	641	7,384	-	7,384
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-	(1,421)	-	(1,421)	-	(1,421)
Surplus on revaluation	-	14,800	-	-	-	-	-	14,800	-	14,800
Transfer from buildings to investment property	-	(64,600)	-	-	-	-	-	(64,600)	64,600	-
At 31 March 2019	5,900	19,880	35,553	38,207	32,208	7,570	10,807	150,125	64,600	214,725
Representing:										
Cost	5,900	19,880	35,553	38,207	32,208	7,570	10,807	150,125	-	150,125
Valuation - 2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	64,600	64,600
At 31 March 2019	5,900	19,880	35,553	38,207	32,208	7,570	10,807	150,125	64,600	214,725
Accumulated depreciation:										
At 1 April 2018	2,265	8,220	32,019	30,495	21,285	6,612	8,879	109,775	-	109,775
Exchange difference	-	(623)	-	(9)	(662)	(133)	(96)	(1,523)	-	(1,523)
Depreciation charge for the year	124	1,382	342	3,357	3,203	488	544	9,440	-	9,440
Written back on disposals	-	-	-	-	-	(655)	-	(655)	-	(655)
Elimination on revaluation	-	(2,656)	-	-	-	-	-	(2,656)	-	(2,656)
At 31 March 2019	2,389	6,323	32,361	33,843	23,826	6,312	9,327	114,381	-	114,381
Net book value:										
At 31 March 2019	3,511	13,557	3,192	4,364	8,382	1,258	1,480	35,744	64,600	100,344

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15 INVESTMENT PROPERTY AND OTHER PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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Fair value measurement

Fair value hierarchy

The following table presents the fair value of the Group's property measured at the end of the reporting period on a recurring basis, categorised into the three-level fair value hierarchy as defined in HKFRS 13, Fair value measurement. The level into which a fair value measurement is classified is determined with reference to the observability and significance of the inputs used in the valuation technique as follows:

- Level 1 valuations: Fair value measured using only Level 1 inputs i.e. unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date
- Level 2 valuations: Fair value measured using Level 2 inputs i.e. observable inputs which fail to meet Level 1, and not using significant unobservable inputs. Unobservable inputs are inputs for which market data are not available
- Level 3 valuations: Fair value measured using significant unobservable inputs

The fair value measurement of the investment property as at 31 March 2020 was categorised into level 3.

There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2, or transfers into or out of Level 3 since the transfer to investment property from property, plant and equipment due to the change in use to leasing from self-occupation during the year ended 31 March 2019. The Group's policy is to recognise transfers between levels of fair value hierarchy as at the end of the reporting period in which they occur.

The valuation of the investment property at fair value as at 31 March 2020 were performed by the Group's independent valuer, Ascent Partners, who have among their staff Fellows of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors with recent experience in the location and category of property being valued, using the market comparison method. The Group's management has reviewed the valuation results performed by the independent valuer for financial reporting purposes by verifying all major inputs and assumptions, and assessing the reasonableness of property valuation. Such valuation is performed at each interim and annual reporting date and is reviewed and approved by senior management.

The unobservable input used for the Level 3 fair value measurements is as follows:

	2020	2019
(Discount)/premium on quality of the property	(5%)	15%

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The fair value of investment property is determined using market comparison approach by reference to recent sales price of comparable properties on a price per square foot basis, adjusted for a premium or a discount specific to the quality of the Group's property compared to the recent sales. Higher premium for higher quality property will result in a higher fair value measurement.

There is no movement in the balance of these Level 3 fair value measurements during the year. There was no change in fair value of investment property recognised in profit or loss during the year ended 31 March 2020 (2019: Nil).

Impairment losses

During the year ended 31 March 2020, certain cash-generating-units ("CGUs") as identified based on geographical perspective of the Group, were incurring loss, which indicated the property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets of the CGUs may be impaired. The Group assessed the recoverable amounts of these property, plant and equipment and accordingly impairment losses of \$16,938,000 was recognised to reduce the carrying amounts of these assets to their recoverable amount of \$3,500,000.

The recoverable amounts of these assets are determined based on a market comparison approach mainly by reference to quoted selling price of similar assets, acquisition costs and estimated replacement cost of these assets.

The above impairment losses were recognised in profit or loss during the year ended 31 March 2020 (see note 7).

Right-of-use assets

The analysis of the net book value of right-of-use assets by class of underlying asset is as follows:

		31 March 2020 \$'000	1 April 2019 \$'000
Leasehold land held for own use	(i)	12,297	21,487
Properties held for own use	(ii)	1,775	1,334
		14,072	22,821

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15 INVESTMENT PROPERTY AND OTHER PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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The analysis of expense items in relation to leases recognised in profit or loss is as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets by class of underlying asset:		
Leasehold land held for own use	691	–
Properties held for own use	1,504	–
	2,195	–
Interest on lease liabilities (note 9)	95	–
Impairment loss	8,444	–
Expense relating to short-term leases and other leases with remaining lease term ending on or before 31 March 2020	1,416	–
Total minimum lease payments for leases previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17	–	3,090

Note: The Group initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise right-of-use assets relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. The depreciated carrying amount of the finance lease assets which were previously included in "other property, plant and equipment" is also identified as a right-of-use asset. After initial recognition of right-of-use assets at 1 April 2019, the Group as a lease is required to recognise the depreciation of right-of-use assets, instead of previous policy of recognising rental expenses incurred under operating leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Under this approach, the comparative information is not restated. See note 2(b).

During the year, additions to right-of-use assets were \$1,963,000. This amount primarily related to the capitalise lease payments payable under new tenancy agreements.

Details of the maturity analysis of lease liabilities are set out in note 25.

(i) Leasehold land held for own use

The Group holds several industrial buildings for its metal trading business, where its manufacturing facilities are primarily located. The Group is the registered owner of these property interests, including the whole or part of undivided share in the underlying land. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire these property interests from their previous registered owners, and there are no ongoing payments to be made under the terms of the land lease, other than payments based on rateable values set by the relevant government authorities. These payments vary from time to time and are payable to the relevant government authorities.

(ii) Properties held for own use

The Group has obtained the right to use other properties as its warehouses and offices through tenancy agreements. The leases typically run for an initial period of one to three years.

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16 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Financial assets at FVOCI (non-recycling)		
Equity securities listed in Hong Kong at fair value	4,651	8,380
Unlisted limited partnership, at fair value	–	–
	4,651	8,380

The Group designated its investments in Dai Ming International Holdings Limited (HKSE: 1090) and the unlisted limited partnership at FVOCI under HKFRS 9 as these investments are held for strategic purposes. Dai Ming International Holdings Limited is principally engaged in the processing, distribution and sale of stainless steel products and carbon steel products in the People's Republic of China ("PRC").

The equity securities listed in Hong Kong are denominated in Hong Kong dollars while investment in the unlisted limited partnership is denominated in United Kingdom Pounds.

The investment cost of unlisted limited partnership of \$7,046,000 was fully impaired prior to 31 March 2020 as it is expected to be irrecoverable by management as a result of the financial difficulties experienced by the investee. Accordingly, management estimated the fair value of the investment in unlisted partnership at 31 March 2019 and 2020 to be nil.

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17 INVENTORIES

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Finished goods	520,362	617,971
Less: Write-down of inventories	(63,810)	(21,102)
	456,552	596,869

The cost of inventories recognised as expense and included in "cost of sales" amounted to \$1,819,615,000 (2019: \$2,233,778,000) during the year ended 31 March 2020.

18 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Non-current portion		
Prepayments for purchase of the property, plant and equipment	307	188
Current portion		
Trade receivables, net of loss allowance	128,151	173,210
Prepayments to suppliers	35,232	5,194
Deposits	1,525	2,951
Other receivables	16,748	25,582
	181,656	206,937
	181,963	207,125

All of the current portion of trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered or recognised as expense within one year.

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18 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES AND PREPAYMENTS (Continued)

At the end of the reporting period, the ageing of trade receivables, based on invoice date and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Within 1 month	113,089	143,263
Over 1 but within 2 months	8,577	19,012
Over 2 but within 3 months	4,525	9,787
Over 3 months	1,960	1,148
	128,151	173,210

The carrying amounts of the trade receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
HK dollars	6,502	10,376
US dollars	25,079	55,741
New Taiwan dollars	8,409	8,582
Renminbi	88,150	98,511
Malaysian Ringgit	11	–
	128,151	173,210

The ageing of trade receivables, based on due date and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Current	93,073	124,192
Within 1 month past due	30,112	41,748
Over 1 but within 2 months past due	2,908	5,730
Over 2 but within 3 months past due	325	696
Over 3 months past due	1,733	844
	128,151	173,210

Further details on the Group's credit policy and credit risk arising from trade receivables are set out in note 3(a) (iv).

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19 CASH HELD ON BEHALF OF CUSTOMERS AND CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

(a) Cash held on behalf of customers

The Group has classified the clients' monies as cash held on behalf of clients under the current assets and recognised a corresponding payable to respective clients on grounds that it is liable for any loss or misappropriation of clients' monies.

The carrying amounts of cash held on behalf of customers are denominated in the following currencies:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
HK dollars	–	408
Renminbi	–	2,997
US dollars	–	6,200
	–	9,605

(b) Cash and cash equivalents

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	235,573	311,619
Short-term bank deposits	70,542	45,115
	306,115	356,734

The weighted average effective interest rate on short-term bank deposits of the Group was 2.73% (2019: 3.30%) per annum as at 31 March 2020.

Cash at bank earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates.

The carrying amounts of bank balances and cash are denominated in the following currencies:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
HK dollars	24,028	71,504
US dollars	190,184	149,533
New Taiwan dollars	7,992	5
Renminbi	82,601	133,138
Others	1,310	2,554
	306,115	356,734

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20 SHARE CAPITAL

Authorised and issued capital

	Number of shares '000	Nominal amount \$'000
Authorised:		
At 1 April 2018, 31 March 2019, 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020	8,000,000	800,000
Issued and fully paid – ordinary shares of \$0.1 each:		
At 1 April 2018, 31 March 2019, 1 April 2019 and 31 March 2020	828,750	82,875

21 RESERVES

Movements in components of equity

The reconciliation between the opening and closing balances of each component of the Group's consolidated equity is set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Details of the changes in the Company's individual components of equity between the beginning and the end of the year are set out in note 30(a) to the financial statements.

Nature and purpose of reserves

(i) Share premium

Pursuant to the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands, the share premium account is distributable to the shareholders of the Company, provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as and when they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

(ii) Merger reserve

The merger reserve arose from an adjustment to eliminate the Group's share of share capital of a then non-wholly owned subsidiary against the Group's investment cost in the subsidiary using the principle of merger accounting in respect of a business combination under common control during the year ended 31 December 2007.

(iii) Reserve funds

In accordance with the relevant rules and regulations, the Group's entities registered in the Mainland China are required to transfer part of its profit after income tax to reserve funds. The transfer is also subject to the approval of the respective board of directors of these entities, in accordance with their articles of association.

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21 RESERVES (Continued)

Nature and purpose of reserves (Continued)

(iv) Fair value reserve (non-recycling)

The fair value reserve (non-recycling) comprises the cumulative net change in the fair value of equity investments designated at FVOCI under HKFRS 9 that are held at the end of the reporting period (see note 2(i)).

(v) Property revaluation reserve

The property revaluation reserve has been set up and is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2(e).

22 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES AND CONTRACT LIABILITIES

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Trade and other payables		
Trade payables	44,592	52,570
Accrued expenses and other payables	8,285	21,472
	52,877	74,042
Contract liabilities	10,696	9,852
	63,573	83,894

(a) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are expected to be settled within one year or are repayable on demand.

At the end of the reporting period, the ageing of trade payables, based on invoice date, is as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Within 1 month	44,317	52,401
Over 1 but within 3 months	149	169
Over 3 months	126	–
	44,592	52,570

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22 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES AND CONTRACT LIABILITIES (Continued)

(a) Trade and other payables (Continued)

The carrying amounts of trade payables are denominated in the following currencies:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
US dollars	39,613	45,792
Renminbi	4,979	6,778
	44,592	52,570

(b) Contract liabilities

The Group receives deposits from customers for sale of goods. This amount is recognised as a contract liability until the sales are completed and the goods are legally assigned to the customers.

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Movements in contract liabilities		
Balance at 1 April	9,852	10,782
Decrease in contract liabilities as a result of recognising revenue during the year that was included in the contract liabilities at the beginning of the year	(9,852)	(10,782)
Increase in contract liabilities as a result of receiving prepayments from customers during the year in respect of sale of goods as at 31 March	10,696	9,852
Balance at 31 March	10,696	9,852

The contract liabilities are expected to be recognised as income within one year.

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23 BANK BORROWINGS

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Non-current liabilities		
Mortgage loan	11,997	13,183
Current liabilities		
Short-term bank borrowings	106,471	182,135
Mortgage loan	1,183	1,149
	107,654	183,284
	119,651	196,467

As at 31 March 2020 and 2019, bank borrowings are repayable as follows:

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Within one year	107,654	183,284
After 1 year but within 2 years	1,209	1,177
After 2 years but within 5 years	3,787	3,694
After 5 years	7,001	8,312
	11,997	13,183
	119,651	196,467

Mortgage loan of \$13,180,000 (2019: \$14,332,000) was secured by investment property with carrying value of \$64,600,000 (2019: \$64,600,000) as at 31 March 2020.

As at 31 March 2020 and 2019, all the remaining bank borrowings were guaranteed by the Company.

Banking facilities of \$150,000,000 as at 31 March 2019 were subject to the fulfilment of covenants relating to the Group's financial position. If the Group were to breach the covenants, the drawn down facilities would become payable on demand. As at 31 March 2019, the Group had failed to fulfil certain financial covenants of a short-term bank borrowing of \$43,500,000. Such breach entitled the bank to declare the outstanding principal amount, accrued interest and other sums payable under the relevant banking facility agreement to become immediately due and payable. Such covenants have been revised subsequently after the year end and the Group considered such breach no longer exists since then. Management was of the opinion that the breach had no significant impact to the Group's financial position as the relevant bank borrowing was classified as current liabilities as at 31 March 2019.

None of the banking facilities as at 31 March 2020 are subject to the fulfilment of covenants.

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23 BANK BORROWINGS (Continued)

The carrying amounts of the bank borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
HK dollars	13,180	14,332
US dollars	106,471	182,135
	119,651	196,467

The effective interest rates (per annum) at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	2020	2019
Short-term bank borrowings	2.73%	3.15%
Mortgage loan	2.15%	2.29%

24 DEFERRED TAX

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same fiscal authority. The following amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, are shown in the consolidated statement of financial position:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Deferred tax assets	2,643	2,600
Deferred tax liabilities	(4,565)	(4,397)
	(1,922)	(1,797)

The net movement on the deferred tax is as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
At beginning of the year	(1,797)	(450)
(Charged)/credited to profit or loss (note 11)	(125)	751
Charged to reserve	-	(2,098)
At end of the year	(1,922)	(1,797)

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24 DEFERRED TAX (Continued)

The movement in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year, without taking into consideration the offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction, is as follows:

	Deferred tax assets						Deferred tax liabilities			
	Tax losses		Unrealised profit on inventories		Accelerated accounting depreciation		Accelerated tax depreciation		Revaluation of assets	
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At beginning of the year	1,008	1,008	92	92	2,508	2,117	(2,657)	(3,017)	(2,748)	(650)
Credited/(charged) to profit or loss	-	-	-	-	43	391	(168)	360	-	-
Charged to reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,098)
At end of the year	1,008	1,008	92	92	2,551	2,508	(2,825)	(2,657)	(2,748)	(2,748)

Deferred tax assets are recognised for tax loss carried forward to the extent that the realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable. The Group did not recognise deferred tax assets of \$62,286,000 (2019: \$43,462,000) in respect of tax losses amounting to \$377,491,000 (2019: \$263,408,000) that can be carried forward against future taxable income. The tax losses arose in Hong Kong and have no expiry date.

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25 LEASE LIABILITIES

The following table shows the remaining contractual maturities of the Group's lease liabilities at the end of the current reporting period and at the date of transition of HKFRS 16:

	31 March 2020		1 April 2019 (Note)	
	Present value of the minimum lease payments \$'000	Total minimum lease payments \$'000	Present value of the minimum lease payments \$'000	Total minimum lease payments \$'000
Within 1 year	1,112	1,168	1,052	1,104
After 1 year but within 2 years	565	574	186	202
After 2 years but within 5 years	8	8	126	129
	573	582	312	331
	1,685	1,750	1,364	1,435
Less: total future interest expenses		(65)		(71)
Present value of lease liabilities		1,685		1,364

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise lease liabilities relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. The depreciated carrying amount of the finance lease assets which were previously included in "other property, plant and equipment" is also identified as a right-of-use asset. Comparative information as at 31 March 2019 has not been restated. Further details on the impact of the transition to HKFRS 16 are set out in note 2(b).

26 SUBSIDIARIES

	The Company	
	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Unlisted shares, at cost	224,379	224,379
Amounts due from subsidiaries	943,364	972,440
	1,167,743	1,196,819
Less: impairment loss	(322,363)	(148,845)
	845,380	1,047,974

As the market capitalisation of the Company was lower than the net assets value of the Group, there was an indication that the carrying value of the Company's interests in subsidiaries as at 31 March 2020 may be impaired. Management has therefore assessed the recoverable amount of interests in subsidiaries and an impairment loss of \$173,518,000 (2019: \$Nil) was recognised in the Company's profit or loss during the year ended 31 March 2020.

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26 SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

The following is a list of principal subsidiaries at 31 March 2020:

Company name	Place of incorporation and kind of legal entity	Principal activities and place of operation	Issued capital/ paid-up capital	Interest held	
				2020	2019
Lee Kee Group (BVI) limited	British Virgin Islands ("BVI"), limited liability company	Investment holding in BVI	2 shares of HK\$1 each	100%	100%
Lee City Asia Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Property holding in Hong Kong	\$10,000	100%	100%
Lee Fung Metal Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Trading of non-ferrous metal in Hong Kong	\$100,000	100%	100%
Lee Kee Group Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Investment holding in Hong Kong	\$1,000	100%	100%
Lee Kee Metal Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Trading of zinc and zinc alloy in Hong Kong	\$5,000,000	100%	100%
Lee Kee International Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Trading of chemical products in Hong Kong	\$100,000	100%	100%
Lee Yip Metal Products Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Trading of stainless steel in Hong Kong	\$1,000,000	100%	100%
Essence Metal (Asia) Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Manufacturing and trading of customised zinc alloy in Hong Kong	\$1	100%	100%
Promet Metals Testing Laboratory Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Provision of technical consultancy services in Hong Kong	\$1	100%	100%
Silver Goal International Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Property holding in Hong Kong	\$1	100%	100%
Standard Glory Management Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Provision of management services in Hong Kong	\$10,000	100%	100%
Toba Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	Property holding in Hong Kong	\$10,000	100%	100%
LKG Elite (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.	The PRC, limited liability company	Distribution of non-ferrous metals in Mainland China	RMB30,954,000	100%	100%

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26 SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Company name	Place of incorporation and kind of legal entity	Principal activities and place of operation	Issued capital/ paid-up capital	Interest held	
				2020	2019
LKG Elite (Guangzhou) Co., Ltd.	The PRC, limited liability company	Distribution of non-ferrous metals in Mainland China	RMB5,020,000	100%	100%
LKG Elite (Wuxi) Co., Ltd.	The PRC, limited liability company	Distribution of non-ferrous metals in Mainland China	USD3,600,000	100%	100%
Genesis Recycling Technology (BVI) Limited	BVI, limited liability company	Investment holding in BVI	2,100,000 shares of USD1 each	100%	100%
Genesis Alloys (Ningbo) Limited	The PRC, limited liability company	Manufacturing and trading of zinc alloy products in Mainland China	USD9,000,000	100%	100%

Lee Kee Group (BVI) Limited is directly held by the Company. All of the other entities disclosed above are held indirectly by the Company through Lee Kee Group (BVI) Limited.

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27 NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(a) Reconciliation of loss before taxation to net cash generated from operations:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note) \$'000
Loss before taxation	(123,394)	(81,695)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	9,079	9,440
Amortisation of leasehold land	–	568
Interest income	(1,605)	(1,467)
Interest on bank borrowings	5,913	10,181
Interest on lease liabilities	95	–
Dividend income from listed securities	(250)	(258)
(Gain)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(5)	766
Provision for employee retirement benefit obligations	233	2,107
Provision for write-down of inventories	42,671	4,047
Credit loss of trade receivables	167	277
Impairment loss of property, plant and equipment	16,938	–
Unrealised gain on derivative financial instruments	(2,050)	(1,165)
Effect of foreign exchange rates changes	71	5,845
Changes in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in cash held on behalf of customers	9,605	(2,461)
Decrease in inventories	92,151	215,956
Decrease in trade and other receivables	20,114	1,568
Increase in trade and other payables and contract liabilities	(20,781)	(3,383)
Net cash generated from operations	48,952	160,326

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. The depreciated carrying amount of the finance lease assets which were previously included in "other property, plant and equipment" is also identified as a right-of-use asset. Previously, cash payments under operating leases made by the Group as a lessee of \$3,090,000 were classified as operating activities in the consolidated statement of cash flows. Under HKFRS 16, except for short-term lease payments, payments for leases of low value assets and variable lease payments not included in the measurement of lease liabilities, all other rentals paid on leases are now split into capital element and interest element (see note 27(d)) and classified as financing cash outflows. Under the modified retrospective approach, the comparative information is not restated. Further details on the impact of the transition to HKFRS 16 are set out in note 2(b).

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27 NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

(b) In the consolidated statement of cash flows, proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment comprise:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Disposal of property, plant and equipment:		
Net book value	55	766
Gain/(loss) on disposal of property, plant and equipment	5	(766)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	60	–

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27 NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

(c) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are liabilities for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

	Lease liabilities \$'000 (note 25)	Bank borrowings \$'000 (note 23)	Total \$'000
At 31 March 2019	–	196,467	196,467
Impact on initial application of HKFRS 16 (Note)	1,364	–	1,364
At 1 April 2019	1,364	196,467	197,831
Changes from financing cash flows:			
Proceeds from new bank borrowings	–	887,321	887,321
Repayment of bank borrowings	–	(964,137)	(964,137)
Interest paid on mortgage loan	–	(308)	(308)
Capital element of lease rentals paid	(1,626)	–	(1,626)
Interest element of lease rentals paid	(95)	–	(95)
Total changes from financing cash flows	(1,721)	(77,124)	(78,845)
Exchange adjustment	(16)	–	(16)
Other changes:			
Interest expense (note 9)	95	308	403
Increase in lease liabilities from entering into new leases during the year	1,963	–	1,963
Total other changes	2,058	308	2,366
At 31 March 2020	1,685	119,651	121,336

Note: The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective method and adjusted the opening balances at 1 January 2019 to recognise lease liabilities relating to leases which were previously classified as operating leases under HKAS17. See note 2(b).

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27 NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

(c) Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities (Continued)

	Bank borrowings
	\$'000
	(note 23)
At 1 April 2018	264,788
Changes from financing cash flows:	
Proceeds from new bank loans	1,154,688
Repayment of bank loans	(1,223,009)
Interest paid on mortgage loan	(328)
Total changes from financing cash flows	(68,649)
Other change:	
Interest expense on mortgage loan (note 9)	328
At 31 March 2019	196,467

(d) Total cash outflow for leases

Amounts included in the statement of cash flows for leases comprise the following:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	(Note)
	\$'000	\$'000
Within operating cash flows	1,416	3,090
Within financing cash flows	1,721	–
	3,137	3,090

The above amounts relate to lease rentals paid.

Note: As explained in the note to note 27(a), the adoption of HKFRS 16 introduces a change in classification of cash flows of certain rentals paid on leases. The comparative amounts have not been restated.

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28 COMMITMENTS

At 31 March 2019, the total future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases were payable as follow:

	Properties
	\$'000
Within one year	1,402
After one year but within five years	331
	1,733

The Group is the lessee in respect of a number of properties held under leases which previously classified as operating leases under HKAS 17. The Group has initially applied HKFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach. Under this approach, the Group adjusted the opening balances at 1 April 2019 to recognise lease liabilities relating to these leases (see note 2(b)). From 1 April 2019 onwards, future lease payments are recognised as lease liabilities in the statement of financial position in accordance with the policies set out in note 2(g).

29 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

(a) Transactions with related parties

In addition to those disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Group had the following significant transactions with related parties:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Expense		
Rental paid to Sonic Gold Limited	636	636

The Group paid rental expenses for a director's quarter to Sonic Gold Limited, a company controlled by Ms Chan Yuen Shan Clara, a director of the Company, at fixed sums as agreed by both parties.

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29 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

(b) Key management compensation

	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Salaries and other short term employee benefits	16,520	15,834
Post-employment benefits-pension	144	144
	16,664	15,978

Key management has been identified as the executive directors, chief executive officer, chief operation officer, chief financial officer and senior personnel from various departments of the Group.

Senior management remuneration

The emoluments payable to the senior management of the Group as disclosed in section "Directors, Senior Management and Advisors" in the annual report during the year ended 31 March 2020 fell within the following emolument bands:

	2020	2019
HK\$0 to HK\$1,000,000	1	2
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$2,000,000	1	–
HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$3,000,000	1	1
	3	3

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30 COMPANY'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Note	2020 \$'000	2019 \$'000
Non-current assets			
Interests in subsidiaries	26	845,380	1,047,974
Current assets			
Prepayments and other receivable		155	129
Tax recoverable		65	–
Cash and cash equivalents		18,021	1,242
		18,241	1,371
Current liabilities			
Other payables		19	79
Net current assets			
		18,222	1,292
Total assets less current liabilities			
		863,602	1,049,266
Non-current liabilities			
Employee retirement benefit obligations		789	588
Net assets			
		862,813	1,048,678
Capital and reserves (note a)			
Share capital		82,875	82,875
Reserves		779,938	965,803
Total equity			
		862,813	1,048,678

The statement of financial position of the Company was approved by the Board of Directors on 29 June 2020 and was signed on its behalf.

CHAN Pak Chung
Director

CHAN Yuen Shan Clara
Director

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30 COMPANY'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (Continued)

Note (a): Changes in equity of the Company

	Share capital	Share premium	Contributed surplus (Note)	Capital redemption reserve	Accumulated losses	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
At 1 April 2019	82,875	424,845	640,631	125	(99,798)	1,048,678
Loss and total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	(185,865)	(185,865)
At 31 March 2020	82,875	424,845	640,631	125	(285,663)	862,813
At 1 April 2018	82,875	437,277	640,631	125	(112,555)	1,048,353
Profit and total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	12,757	12,757
Dividends paid (note 13)	-	(12,432)	-	-	-	(12,432)
At 31 March 2019	82,875	424,845	640,631	125	(99,798)	1,048,678

Note: The contributed surplus of the Company represents the value of the one share of Lee Kee Group (BVI) Limited allotted and issued to the Company at premium of approximately \$640,631,000 at the direction of Mr Chan Pak Chung ("Mr Chan") and pursuant to a deed of gift entered into between Mr Chan and the Company in consideration of the conversion of the ordinary shares of Lee Kee Group Limited held by Mr Chan to non-voting deferred shares in 2006.

Pursuant to the Companies Law (2004 Revision) of the Cayman Islands, the contributed surplus is distributable to the shareholders of the Company, provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as and when they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

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31 BENEFITS AND INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS (DISCLOSURES REQUIRED BY SECTION 383 OF THE HONG KONG COMPANIES ORDINANCE (CAP. 622) AND COMPANIES (DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ABOUT BENEFITS OF DIRECTORS) REGULATION (CAP. 622G))

The remuneration of the directors for the years ended 31 March 2020 and 2019 are set out below.

Name of directors	Fees	Salary	Discretionary bonuses	Other benefits (Note 1)	Employer's contribution to a retirement benefit scheme	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Year ended 31 March 2020						
Executive directors						
Mr Chan Pak Chung	-	2,400	-	-	-	2,400
Ms Chan Yuen Shan Clara (Chief executive officer)	-	2,469	-	636	18	3,123
Ms Okusako Chan Pui Shan Lillian	-	1,603	-	-	18	1,621
Mr Chan Ka Chun Patrick	-	1,553	-	-	18	1,571
Independent non-executive directors						
Mr Chung Wai Kwok, Jimmy	240	-	-	-	-	240
Mr Hu Wai Kwok (note 2)	240	-	-	-	-	240
Mr Ho Kwai Ching, Mark	240	-	-	-	-	240
	720	8,025	-	636	54	9,435
Year ended 31 March 2019						
Executive directors						
Mr Chan Pak Chung	-	2,400	-	-	-	2,400
Ms Chan Yuen Shan Clara (Chief executive officer)	-	2,400	-	636	18	3,054
Ms Okusako Chan Pui Shan Lillian	-	1,572	-	-	18	1,590
Mr CHAN Ka Chun Patrick	-	1,522	-	-	18	1,540
Independent non-executive directors						
Mr Chung Wai Kwok Jimmy	240	-	-	-	-	240
Mr Hu Wai Kwok	240	-	-	-	-	240
Mr Ho Kwai Ching Mark	240	-	-	-	-	240
	720	7,894	-	636	54	9,304

Notes:

- (1) Other benefits include the rental expenses paid for a director's quarter.
- (2) Mr. Hu Wai Kwok resigned as independent non-executive director with effect from 1 April 2020.

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During the year, no payments or benefits in respect of termination of directors' services were paid or made, directly or indirectly, to the directors; nor are any payable (2019: Nil). No consideration was provided to or receivable by third parties for making available directors' services (2019: Nil). There are no loans, quasi-loans or other dealings in favour of the directors, their controlled bodies corporate and connected entities (2019: Nil).

No director of the Company had a material interest, directly or indirectly, in any significant transactions, arrangements and contracts in relation to the Company's business to which the Company was or is a party that subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year (2019: None).

No emoluments have been paid to the directors of the Company or the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office (2019: Nil).

Five highest paid individuals

The five individuals whose emoluments were the highest in the Group during the year include four (2019: four) directors whose emoluments are reflected within this note above.

The emoluments payable to the remaining one (2019: one) of the five highest paid individuals during the year are as follows:

	2020	2019
	\$'000	\$'000
Salaries and other allowances	2,158	2,116
Post-employment benefits – pension	18	18
	2,176	2,134

The emoluments payable to this individual during the year fell within the following emolument bands:

	Number of individuals	
	2020	2019
\$2,000,001 to \$2,500,000	1	1

32 ULTIMATE AND IMMEDIATE HOLDING COMPANIES

At 31 March 2020, the directors consider Gold Alliance International Management Limited and Gold Alliance Global Services Limited, both of which are incorporated in the British Virgin Islands, to be the ultimate and immediate holding companies of the Company, respectively. Neither of them produces financial statements available for public use.

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