

# 中國中地乳業控股有限公司 China ZhongDi Dairy Holdings Company Limited

(a company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands with limited liability) Stock code: 1492



# **Corporate Profile**

We are a modern agricultural and animal husbandry enterprise which is engaged in dairy farming in China. Our business models cover participating in multiple stages of the dairy farming industry value chain, including raising dairy cows, breeding dairy cows, premium raw milk production and sale, importing and selling dairy cows of quality breeds and breeding stock, as well as import trading business in alfalfa hay and other animal husbandry-related products. As a National Flagship Enterprise for Industrialization of Agriculture (農業產業化國家 重點龍頭企業) accredited by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"), we will continuously produce premium and safe raw milk through the scientific operation of modern large-scale farms, maintain and expand our competitive edge in the high-end premium raw milk supply end, and ultimately become one of the largest dairy farming companies in the PRC.



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# **Corporate Information**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **Executive Directors**

Mr. Zhang Jianshe (*Chairman and Chief Executive Officer*) Mr. Zhang Kaizhan

### **Non-Executive Directors**

Mr. Liu Dai Mr. Du Yuchen Mr. Li Jian Ms. Yu Tianhua

#### Independent Non-Executive Directors

Prof. Li Shengli Dr. Zhang Shengli Mr. Zhang Juying Jerry

#### SENIOR MANAGEMENT

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### **STOCK CODE**

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# **Highlights**

The board (the "**Board**") of directors (the "**Directors**") of China ZhongDi Dairy Holdings Company Limited (the "**Company**", together with its subsidiaries, the "**Group**") is pleased to present the interim report of the Company, together with the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2020 (the "**Reporting Period**").

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

	I	For the six month	s ended 30 June		
	202	20	2019		
	<b>Results before</b>	<b>Results</b> after	Results before	Results after	
	biological	biological	biological	biological	
	fair value	fair value	fair value	fair value	
	adjustments	adjustments	adjustments	adjustments	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Revenue	873,220	873,220	705,715	705,715	
Gross profit margin	35%	4%	36%	4%	
Profit for the period attributable to:					
Owners of the parent	155,376	104,910	109,919	50,075	
Non-controlling interests	(1,358)	(1,358)	-	-	
	154,018	103,552	109,919	50,075	
Basic and diluted earnings per share (RMB cents)		4.8		2.3	

• Revenue increased by 24% as compared to the corresponding period in 2019.

- Profit for the period before biological fair vale adjustments increased by 40%, as compared to the corresponding period in 2019.
- Profit for the period after biological fair value adjustments increased by 107%, as compared to the corresponding period in 2019.

# **Management Discussion and Analysis**

#### **INDUSTRY AND MARKET REVIEW**

In the first half of 2020, the novel coronavirus ("**COVID-19**") pandemic swept the world and sounded the alarm for human safety and global economic development. Due to the worldwide impact of the pandemic, global economic growth forecast has been cut multiple times. In the World Economic Outlook released by the International Monetary Fund in late June 2020, the global economy is projected to decline by 4.9%, while China's economy is forecast to grow 1%, making it the only country that can achieve positive growth in 2020 among major economies.

However, China's overall economic growth is still in a downward cycle, and the uncertainties resulting from changes in the international political and economic landscape and trade wars persist. The lingering pandemic has cast a shadow over the prospects of economic reopening and recovery. Market supply and demand have generally declined, and corporate production and operations are restricted, adding extra risks to normal economic activities.

Despite the great challenges from the external economic environment, the dairy industry weathered through the adverse impact of the pandemic. Although the first quarter saw milk pouring and powder spraying caused by a short-lived surplus of raw milk with the easing of the pandemic, accelerating resumption of work and production and recovery of the consumer market, the inventory of bulk milk powder gradually decreased in the second quarter, and the supply and demand of milk regained a balance. The price of raw milk started to pick up from a low level and kept rising, and the output of raw milk also increased over the same period last year.

There are two reasons for the quick recovery of the dairy industry from the pandemic. On the one hand, the state has long been providing industry policy support. The Chinese government attaches great importance to the development of the dairy industry and provides a favorable environment for the development and stability of the industry by introducing preferential industry policies, which greatly promotes the development of dairy farming and speeds up the growth of the dairy industry. On the other hand, urban and rural residents increasingly appreciate the nutritional value of milk products, and the COVID-19 pandemic further strengthens residents' awareness of nutrition and health. As a result, the consumer demand for dairy products with health attributes has not been unduly affected by the pandemic, and the proportion and consistency of milk products in residents' daily dietary consumption are on the rise. According to the Nutritional Dietary Guidelines for Prevention and Control of Pneumonia Caused by Novel Coronavirus issued by the National Health Commission, for the prevention and control of COVID-19 and ordinary pneumonia, the general population and recovering patients should consume at least 300 grams of milk and dairy products every day as a part of a nutritional diet to enhance human immunity by ingesting high-quality protein. The release of the Guidelines has attracted greater consumer attention to high-protein foods such as milk.

However, it should be noted that the full recovery of the dairy industry also faces cost challenges. Although COVID-19 has been generally under control in China, epidemic prevention measures still cannot be relaxed given the frequent occurrence of cases in various places. As a result, the preventive disinfection of dairy farms, labour protection of employees, and epidemic prevention for dairy cows push up operating expenses. In addition, with the arrival of hot summer, the milk yield of dairy cows declines due to heat stress. In order to reduce the impact of heat stress, dairy farms have to invest in cooling equipment and adjust feed formula, which also increases operating expenses. Due to the severity of the pandemic abroad and natural disasters in some places, the prices of feed including corn, alfalfa, and soybean meal kept rising. The depreciation of RMB in the first half of the year further increased the purchase cost of imported feed.

#### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

The Group mainly operates dairy farming business. Dairy farming business includes production and sales of premium raw milk and the feeding, breeding and sales of dairy cows, etc.

In the first half of 2020, faced with the severe challenges posed by COVID-19 to the economy and the dairy industry, the Group adhered to the management philosophy of ingenuity and excellence, continuously strengthened the fine management of dairy farms and optimised large-scale farming structure to increase output, enhance farming efficiency and improve the consistency and genetic progress of cows, so as to enable good cows to produce more high-quality milk. The average daily milk yield of lactating cows in Helan ZhongDi Farm of the Company surpassed 40.1 kg during the Reporting Period, and exceeded 41.8 kg in the second quarter, setting a new record of milk yield per dairy cow among all dairy farms of the Company. Meanwhile, the Group continued to strengthen cooperation with strategic suppliers and increased the proportion of bulk and direct purchases to cut intermediate links and effectively reduce procurement costs and risks, so as to gradually improve its business performance.

At the same time, the Group actively coped with the threat of COVID-19 to the normal operations of the Company from the aspects of safe production, operation assurance and sales promotion. We coordinated resources to prevent and control the virus in order to minimise the impact of the pandemic. During the Reporting Period, all the raw milk produced by the Group was sold normally without sluggish sales or powder spraying, and the arrangement for materials supply and epidemic prevention were carried out in an orderly manner and the health of employees was effectively protected. No employee has contracted COVID-19 in this pandemic.

#### **Dairy Farming Business**

In the first half of 2020, the Group weathered the severe impact of COVID-19 on dairy demand and logistics-based supply chain and managed to sell 219,290 tonnes of raw milk. The average unit selling price of the raw milk was approximately RMB3,872 per tonne. The revenue generated from the dairy farming business reached RMB849.0 million, representing 97.2% of the Group's total revenue.

### 1. Scale of dairy farms

Focusing on the development status and market demand of various regions in China, the Group strategically planned the presence of its dairy farms to cover seven provinces or regions in Northern China. A 10,000-cow dairy farm in Yinan County, Shandong Province is under construction. As at 30 June 2020, the Group operated the following eight modern dairy farms: Beijing ZhongDi Farm, Inner Mongolia ZhongDi Dairy, Helan ZhongDi Farm, Ningxia ZhongDi Farm, Kuandian ZhongDi Farm, Langfang ZhongDi Farm, Tianzhen ZhongDi Farm and Tianjin ZhongDi Farm.

#### 2. Herd size

	June 30 2020	December 31 2019
	Head	Head
Cows held for sale	26	_
Milkable dairy cows	38,331	37,880
Heifers and calves	27,708	27,549
	66,065	65,429

As at 30 June 2020, the Group's herd size was 66,065 heads, an increase of 636 heads as compared to that as at 31 December 2019.

#### 3. Milk yield and sales

The Group's dairy cows are of Holstein breed, which is the breed with the highest average milk yield. The average annual milk yield of each lactation cow of the Group for the first half of 2020 was 13.5 tonnes, representing an increase of 10.7% as compared to that of the corresponding period of the previous year. Benefited from the intensified marketing efforts, as well as the increased yield per dairy cow and the growth in milking herd in each farm of the Group, the sales volume of raw milk during the Reporting Period reached 219,290 tonnes, an increase of 18.8% compared with the same period of last year.

#### 4. Raw milk quality

The Group strives to produce premium quality raw milk. Viewing from a range of key quality indicators, the Group's raw milk is of stable premium quality and all the indicators outperform the standards in Europe, the United States and Japan, which are the reasons why the Group is able to maintain a selling price higher than the market average level. The Group has established long-term strategic partnership with leading dairy companies in China which purchase raw milk from the Group for processing into high-end liquid milk.

	Protein		Aerobic	Somatic
Standard	Content	Fat Content	plate count	cell count
	(Unit: %)	(Unit: %)	(Unit: /ml)	(Unit: /ml)
The Company <sup>1</sup>	3.15	3.59	6,600	170,400
EU Standard <sup>2</sup>	N/A	N/A	<100,000	<400,000
US Standard <sup>3</sup>	≥3.2	≥3.5	<100,000	<750,000
PRC Standard <sup>4</sup>	≧2.8	≧3.1	<2,000,000	N/A

Notes:

- 1. Calculated according to the statistical data of the Group's raw milk quality for the first half of 2020.
- 2. Please refer to the Council Directive 92/46/EEC adopted by the EU.
- 3. Please refer to Grade "A" Pasteurized Milk Ordinance promulgated by the US Public Health Service.
- 4. Please refer to the National Food Safety Standard (GB19301-2010) of the PRC.

#### **PROSPECTS**

In the first half of 2020, China's economic activities once ground to a halt and contracted sharply due to COVID-19. Under challenging internal and external environments, the economy faced a great downward pressure. Yet, historical experience shows that the impact of natural disasters on macro-economy is usually short-lived, and the economy probably would see a V-shaped recovery afterwards. Affected by disaster damage and market sentiment, economic growth usually falls sharply in a short period of time. However, as the disaster is gradually brought under control and market sentiment returns to normal, the temporarily suppressed consumption and investment demand will be released, leading to an economic rebound. The Chinese government's ability to mobilize social resources and its determination to push China's economy back to normal help stabilise the economy and boost market confidence. According to the forecast of the International Monetary Fund, China's economy is expected to rebound strongly next year.

Getting COVID-19 under control will make room for economic development in the second half of the year, and bring a positive impact on the consumer market and the development of dairy industry. The pick-up in the fresh milk market under the rapid growth of low-temperature milk will drive the demand for high-quality raw milk from the upstream of the industry. It is expected that milk prices will continue to rise in the second half of 2020, which will bring greater bargaining power to high-quality raw milk bases.

The Group will seize the opportunity of market development, uphold the entrepreneurial spirit of being "pragmatic, innovative, precise and efficient", and devote itself to building tech-driven, eco-friendly dairy farms and creating high-quality, healthy dairy products while improving operational efficiency and reducing costs, so as to improve profitability and maximise shareholder returns. Moreover, the Group will explore full industry chain development according to the established strategy of the Board in an ongoing effort to enhance its ability to resist risks.

### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

#### Revenue

The Group's revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2020 amounted to RMB873.2 million as compared with RMB705.7 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, representing a year-on-year increase of 23.7%. The increase was mainly attributed to an increase in the sales volume of raw milk.

### Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

A breakdown of the Group's gross profit and gross profit margin before biological fair value adjustments is set out below:

	Six months ended 30 June					
	2020					
		<b>Gross Profit</b>		Gross Profit		
	<b>Gross Profit</b>	Margin	Gross Profit	Margin		
	RMB'000		RMB'000			
Before fair value adjustments						
Gross profit and gross profit margin	306,806	35.1%	257,285	36.4%		

The gross profit before biological fair value adjustment, mainly from the sale of raw milk, being the Group's principal business, amounted to RMB306.8 million, representing a year-on-year increase of 19.2%. The gross profit margin was 35.1%, which saw a slight decrease as compared with that of the corresponding period last year. The decrease was mainly attributed to an increase in the feed costs.

### Cost of Sales

Cost of sales of the Group is set out below:

	Six months ended 30 June				
	202	D	2019	1	
	RMB'000	Percentage	RMB'000	Percentage	
Feed	417,318	73.7%	347,077	77.4%	
Labour costs	36,513	6.4%	26,561	5.9%	
Others	112,583	19.9%	74,792	16.7%	
Total	566,414	100.0%	448,430	100.0%	

For the six months ended 30 June 2020, the Group's feed costs amounted to RMB417.3 million, as compared with RMB347.1 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019. The increase was mainly due to the increase in the unit price of feeds and adjustment to the feed formula.

## *Losses Arising from Changes in the Fair Value Less Costs to Sell of Biological Assets*

Net losses from changes in the fair value less costs to sell of biological assets for the six months ended 30 June 2020 amounted to RMB40.3 million, representing a year-on-year decrease of RMB19.5 million as compared with net losses of RMB59.8 million for the corresponding period last year. As the milk yield per milkable dairy cow increased during the Reporting Period, it is expected that the revenue generated from biological assets will increase in the future, leading to an increase in the estimated value of biological assets and a decrease in the losses arising from the fair value less costs to sell of biological assets.

# *Gains Arising from Initial Recognition of Agricultural Produce at Fair Value Less Costs to Sell upon Harvest*

The Group's gains arising from initial recognition of agricultural produce at fair value less costs to sell upon harvest for the six months ended 30 June 2020 amounted to RMB262.4 million, with an increase of RMB32.1 million as compared to RMB230.3 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019, which was mainly attributed to an increase in the sales volume of raw milk.

### **Operating Expenses**

	Six months ended 30 June				
		Rate of			
	2020	2019	Change		
	RMB'000	RMB' 000			
Distribution cost	38,302	29,303	30.7%		
Administrative expenses	59,972	46,781	28.2%		
Other expenses	726	554	31.0%		
Total	99,000	76,638	29.2%		

The amount of operating expenses increased from RMB76.6 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019 to RMB99.0 million for the six months ended 30 June 2020, representing a year-on-year increase of 29.2%. The increase was mainly attributed to an increase in transportation costs of raw milk as well as staff costs.

### **Financing Costs**

Financing costs decreased by 21.7% from RMB82.1 million for the six months ended 30 June 2019 to RMB64.3 million for the six months ended 30 June 2020, which was due to the acquisition of low-cost financing loans as a result of the pandemic and the increased interval time of renewal of other borrowings during the current period.

#### **Construction In Process**

For the six months ended 30 June 2020, the Group invested RMB87.0 million in the plant construction project of Yinan Zhongdi Farm Co., Ltd..

#### Liquidity and Sources of Funds

The Group's funding policy aims at ensuring sufficient capital to meet the working capital requirements, improving the capital utilization efficiency and increasing capital gains. The working capital of the Group was mainly derived from cash inflow generated from daily operating activities, bank borrowings and other debt instruments. As at 30 June 2020, the gearing ratio of the Company was 56.5% (31 December 2019: 57.5%). The gearing ratio was calculated by total liabilities divided by total assets. As at 30 June 2020, the bank and cash balances amounted to RMB400.4 million (31 December 2019: RMB390.8 million).

#### Indebtedness

Borrowings of the Group were denominated in RMB. As at 30 June 2020, the balance of short-term borrowings including long-term borrowings due within one year amounted to RMB1,206.3 million. As at 30 June 2020, the balance of long-term borrowings, lease liabilities and long-term payables after deducting the portion due within one year amounted to RMB1,349.9 million. In particular, borrowings with fixed interest rate amounted to approximately RMB953.6 million.

#### **Contingent Liabilities**

As at 30 June 2020, there were no material contingent liabilities (31 December 2019: nil).

#### Foreign Exchange Risk

As at 30 June 2020, save for bank and cash balances of RMB35.4 million which were USD-denominated assets and RMB0.9 million which were HKD-denominated assets, other assets and liabilities of the Group were settled in RMB (the exchange rates of RMB against USD and HKD were calculated based on the bid prices announced by the bank on 30 June). For the six months ended 30 June 2020, the Group did not enter into any foreign currency forward contracts and derivative financial instruments to hedge against foreign exchange risk.

#### Significant Investment, Acquisition and Disposal of Assets

Save as disclosed in this report, the Group had no significant investment during the Reporting Period. During the Reporting Period, there was no material acquisition or disposal relating to the subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures of the Group.

#### **Pledge of Assets**

Save for the amounts disclosed in note 17 to the interim condensed consolidated financial information and the amounts recorded in the item of pledged bank deposits in the interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position in this report, there was no other pledge of assets of the Group.

### Interim Dividend

The Board did not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2020 (for the six months ended 30 June 2019: nil).

### Use of Proceeds from Global Offering

The Company issued 391,056,000 new shares at the offer price of HK\$1.2 per share. The net proceeds from the public offering received by the Company were RMB371 million after deducting listing-related expenses.

The net proceeds were utilized in accordance with the proposed allocation as set out in the section headed "Future Plans and Use of Proceeds" in the Company's prospectus dated 20 November 2015 (the "**Prospectus**"). The net proceeds were utilized in the manner consistent with the proposed allocation as set forth in the Prospectus.

### Human Resources

The Group had approximately 1,551 formal employees in the PRC and Hong Kong as at 30 June 2020 (30 June 2019: approximately 1,344). For the six months ended 30 June 2020, the total staff costs including independent non-executive Directors' remuneration, amounted to approximately RMB87.3 million (corresponding period of 2019: approximately RMB63.0 million).

Employee remuneration of the Group is determined with reference to prevailing market standards and individual employees' performance, qualifications and experience. The Group strictly complies with the legal requirements and company policies concerning employee remuneration, benefits, working hours and rest periods, treating all employees equally.

The PRC employees of the Group are members of a government-managed retirement benefit plan established by the PRC government. The Group is required to contribute a specified percentage of its payroll costs to the retirement benefit plan to fund the benefits.

The Group has also attached importance to the learning and training of employees and to the communication between employees of different positions. It has improved the professional and technical capabilities and overall competence of its employees on an on-going basis, so that employees can grow with the Company.

On 28 October 2015, the Company adopted a share option scheme (the "**Post-IPO Share Option Scheme**") as part of the motivation and incentive schemes of the Company, further details of which are set out in the section headed "Statutory and General Information - Post-IPO Share Option Scheme" in Appendix IV to the prospectus of the Company dated 20 November 2015. As at the date of this report, the Company has not granted any share options pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme.

# **Other Information**

## INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS OF DIRECTORS AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE COMPANY IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ITS ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As at 30 June 2020, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the shares of the Company (the "**Shares**"), underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "**SFO**") which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or which were required to be entered in the register kept under section 352 of the SFO, or required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange in accordance with the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "**Model Code**") contained in Appendix 10 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "**Listing Rules**") were as follows:

Long Positions ("L") and Short Positions ("S") in the Shares	

		Total Number of	Approximate Percentage of Total Issued Share Capital of the Company as at 30 June
Name of Director	Nature of Interest	Shares	2020
Mr. Zhang Jianshe $^{(1)}$	Interest of controlled corporation/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
Mr. Zhang Kaizhan <sup>(1)</sup>	Interest of controlled corporation/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
Mr. Liu Dai <sup>(1)</sup>	Interest of controlled corporation/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%

Note:

<sup>(1)</sup> As at 30 June 2020, Mr. Zhang Jianshe was the sole shareholder of YeGu Investment Company Limited ("YeGu Investment") which directly held 350,778,000 Shares and indirectly held, through its shareholding in Green Farmlands Group, 315,790,000 Shares. Accordingly, under the SFO, Mr. Zhang Jianshe was deemed to be interested in the 666,568,000 Shares held directly and indirectly by YeGu Investment. In addition, as at 30 June 2020, Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and Mr. Liu Dai, through their respective holding companies (namely SiYuan Investment Company Limited ("SiYuan Investment") and Tai Shing Company Limited ("Tai Shing")), indirectly held 61,460,000 Shares and 147,040,000 Shares, respectively.

Pursuant to a concert parties arrangement (the "**Concert Parties Arrangement**"), which was recorded and supplemented by the letter of confirmation and undertakings dated 15 April 2015, Mr. Zhang Jianshe agreed to take the lead in the decision-making, operation and management of the Group, while Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and Mr. Liu Dai agreed to support Mr. Zhang Jianshe by acting in concert in relation to the exercise of their voting rights at the meetings of the shareholders and the board of directors of the then members of our Group. In addition, Mr. Zhang Jianshe, Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and Mr. Liu Dai have further undertaken that during the period when they remain interested in, directly or indirectly, the Shares, they will continue to act in accordance with the Concert Parties Arrangement.

As such, as at 30 June 2020, Mr. Zhang Jianshe, Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and Mr. Liu Dai, through their respective holding companies, together held 875,068,000 Shares, representing approximately 40.25% of the issued share capital of the Company as of 30 June 2020. Under the SFO, because of the Concert Parties Arrangement, Mr. Zhang Jianshe, Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and Mr. Liu Dai were each deemed to be interested in 40.25% of the issued share capital of the Company as at 30 June 2020.

Save as disclosed above, as at 30 June 2020, so far as was known to the Directors or chief executive of the Company, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company had interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or any associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the SFO), which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO), or which were required to be entered in the register kept under section 352 of the SFO, or required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange in accordance with the Model Code.

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

As at 30 June 2020, so far as was known to the Directors or chief executive of the Company and as required by Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO to be disclosed to the Company or as recorded in the register required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO, the interests or short positions of persons other than the Directors and chief executive of the Company in the Shares and underlying Shares were as follows:

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## Long Positions ("L") and Short Positions ("S") in the Shares

			Approximate Percentage of Total Issued Share Capital of
Name of		Total Number of	the Company as at 30 June
Substantial Shareholder	Nature of Interest	Shares	2020
Li Jingtao (1)	Interest of spouse	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
YeGu Investment	Beneficial owner/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
Zhang Fanghong <sup>(2)</sup>	Interest of spouse	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
SiYuan Investment	Beneficial owner/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
Yang Shulan <sup>(3)</sup>	Interest of spouse	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
Tai Shing	Beneficial owner/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
Green Farmlands Group	Beneficial owner/Interest of concert parties	875,068,000(L)	40.25%
New Energy Investment GP Ltd $^{\scriptscriptstyle (4)}$	Interest of controlled corporation	315,790,000(L)	14.53%
New Energy Investment Limited Partnership (4)	Interest of controlled corporation	315,790,000(L)	14.53%
VTD705HL Hong Kong Ltd. (4)	Interest of controlled corporation	315,790,000(L)	14.53%
PACIFIC EMINENT LIMITED (4)	Beneficial owner	315,790,000(L)	14.53%

Name of Substantial Shareholder	Nature of Interest	Total Number of Shares	Approximate Percentage of Total Issued Share Capital of the Company as at 30 June 2020
Agriculture Investment Company Limited ("Agriculture Investment") <sup>(5)</sup>	Beneficial owner	172,500,000 (L)	7.93%
Shanghai Jingmu Investment Center (" <b>Shanghai Jingmu</b> ") <sup>(5)</sup>	Interest of controlled corporation	277,760,000 (L)	12.78%
Goldstone Agri-Investment Funds Management Center (Limited Partnership) <sup>(5)</sup>	Interest of controlled corporation	277,760,000 (L)	12.78%
Beijing Agriculture Investment Fund (Limited Partnership) ( <b>"Agriculture Investment Fund"</b> )	<sup>(5)</sup> Interest of controlled corporation	277,760,000 (L)	12.78%
Beijing Jianye Fengde Investment Consulting Co., Ltd. (5)	Interest of controlled corporation	277,760,000 (L)	12.78%
CITIC Capital Holdings Limited (6)	Interest of controlled corporation	174,100,000 (L)	8.01%

Notes:

- (1) Ms. Li Jingtao is the spouse of Mr. Zhang Jianshe and is therefore deemed to be interested in the Shares in which Mr. Zhang Jianshe is interested under the SFO.
- (2) Ms. Zhang Fanghong is the spouse of Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and is therefore deemed to be interested in the Shares in which Mr. Zhang Kaizhan is interested under the SFO.

- (3) Ms. Yang Shulan is the spouse of Mr. Liu Dai and is therefore deemed to be interested in the Shares in which Mr. Liu Dai is interested under the SFO.
- (4) PACIFIC EMINENT LIMITED is wholly owned by VTD705HL Hong Kong Ltd. and VTD705HL Hong Kong Ltd. is wholly owned by New Energy Investment Limited Partnership. New Energy Investment Limited Partnership is wholly owned by New Energy Investment GP Ltd. Each of New Energy Investment Limited Partnership and New Energy Investment GP Ltd. is deemed to be interested in the same number of shares in which PACIFIC EMINENT LIMITED is interested under the SFO.
- (5) Shanghai Jingmu is the sole shareholder of both Agriculture Investment and Jingmu Investment Company Limited and is therefore deemed to be interested in the same number of Shares held by each of them (being 277,760,000 Shares in total). Agriculture Investment Fund is the limited partner of Shanghai Jingmu holding approximately 99.85% of its registered capital, while Goldstone Agri-Investment Funds Management Center (Limited Partnership) is the general partner of Shanghai Jingmu holding approximately 0.15% of its registered capital. Accordingly, each of Agriculture Investment Fund and Goldstone Agri-Investment Funds Management Center (Limited Partnership) is deemed to be interested in the 277,760,000 Shares held by Agriculture Investment and Jingmu Investment Company Limited in aggregate under the SFO. Furthermore, Beijing Jianye Fengde Investment Consulting Co., Ltd., the general partner of Goldstone Agri-Investment Funds Management Center (Limited Partnership), is also deemed to be interested in the 277,760,000 Shares referenced above under the SFO.
- (6) CITIC Capital Holdings Limited held 174,100,000 Shares through a number of wholly-owned subsidiaries.

As at 30 June 2020, the Directors had not been notified by any other persons (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under section 336 of the SFO.

According to the record of the Notice of Disclosure of Interests filed in under Part XV of the SFO, on 15 July 2020, Mr. Liu Dai unilaterally terminated the Concert Parties Arrangement with Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan and completed the transfer of his controlling interest in Tai Shing through which he holds the Company's interest to Marvel One Limited (the "**Share Transfer**"). Marvel One Limited is wholly-owned by Jin Jiejing. After the completion of the Share Transfer, Mr. Liu Dai is no longer a shareholder of the Company under the Concert Parties Arrangement, and Mr. Liu Dai is no longer deemed to be interested under the Concert Parties Arrangement. Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan will remain as the controlling shareholders of the Company and parties acting-in-concert under the Concert Parties Arrangement.

According to the record of the Notice of Disclosure of Interests filed in under Part XV of the SFO, Mr. Zhang Jianshe increased his holdings of 41,310,000 shares of the Company through YeGu Investment on 20 July 2020, representing approximately 1.9% of the total issued shares of the Company (with voting rights at the Company's general meetings) (the "**Share Increase**"). After the Share Increase, Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan hold an aggregate of 769,338,000 shares of the Company, representing approximately 35.39% of the total issued shares of the Company (with voting rights at the Company (with voting rights at the Company (with voting rights).

References should be made to the announcement of the Company dated 22 July 2020 for the details of the aforementioned Share Transfer and Share Increase.

On 31 July 2020, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with Hongkong Jingang Trade Holding Co., Limited pursuant to which Hongkong Jingang Trade Holding Co., Limited has conditionally agreed to subscribe for, an aggregate of 432,641,522 subscription shares of the Company.

On 12 August 2020, the conditions set out in the aforesaid subscription agreement had been fulfilled and completion took place. After the completion, Hongkong Jingang Trade Holding Co., Limited holds an aggregate of 432,641,522 shares of the Company, representing approximately 16.6% of the issued share capital of the Company (with voting rights at the Company's general meetings).

References should be made to the announcements of the Company dated 31 July 2020 and 12 August 2020 respectively for the details of the subscription.

#### **POST-IPO SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

The Company adopted the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme on 28 October 2015 (effective on the listing date of the Shares on the Stock Exchange), a type of equity-linked agreement, with a view to enabling the Company to grant share options to selected participants and providing the Company with a flexible means to retain, motivate, incentivize, reward, remunerate, compensate and/or provide benefits to selected participants.

As at 30 June 2020, no share option has been granted by the Company or remained outstanding under the Post-IPO Share Option Scheme and no relevant expenses were recognized accordingly.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Company is committed to maintaining good corporate governance to protect the interest of the Shareholders for the Company (the "**Shareholders**") and to enhance the confidence of investors for establishing a sound foundation for corporate development. For the six months ended 30 June 2020, save as disclosed below, the Company has complied with the requirements of the code provisions as set out in the Corporate Governance Code (the "**Corporate Governance Code**") contained in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules. Pursuant to code provision A.2.1 of the Corporate Governance Code, the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. Mr. Zhang Jianshe ("**Mr. Zhang**") is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company. He is also the founder of the Group. The Board believes that vesting the roles of both the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company in Mr. Zhang would enable the Company to achieve higher responsiveness, efficiency and effectiveness when formulating business strategies and executing business plan. Furthermore, in view of Mr. Zhang's extensive industrial experience and significant role in the historical development of the Group, the Board believes that it is beneficial to the business prospects of the Group if Mr. Zhang continues to act as both the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and the balance of power and authority is sufficiently maintained by the operation of the Board, comprising the executive Directors, non-executive Directors and independent non-executive Directors.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

As at the date of this interim report, the Board comprises Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan as executive Directors; Mr. Liu Dai, Mr. Du Yuchen, Mr. Li Jian and Ms. Yu Tianhua as non-executive Directors; and Prof. Li Shengli, Dr. Zhang Shengli and Mr. Zhang Juying Jerry as independent non-executive Directors. On 23 June 2020, Mr. Joseph Chow resigned as an independent non-executive Director of the Company and Mr. Zhang Juying Jerry was appointed as independent non-executive Director of the Company on the same day.

#### **DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has devised its own code of conduct for securities transactions (the "**Company's Securities Dealings Code**") regarding Directors' and Restricted Persons' (as defined in the Company's Securities Dealings Code) dealings in the Company's securities on terms no less exacting than the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules.

Specific enquiry has been made of all the Directors and the Directors have confirmed that they have complied with the Company's Securities Dealings Code throughout the Reporting Period.

The Company's Securities Dealings Code also applies to employees of the Group who may obtain or possess inside information (as defined in the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong)) of the Company. The Company is not aware of any incident of non-compliance with the Company's Securities Dealings Code by the employees of the Group.

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

For the six months ended 30 June 2020, none of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has purchased, sold or redeemed any listed securities of the Company.

#### MATERIAL EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

On 31 July 2020, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with Hongkong Jingang Trade Holding Co., Limited (the "**Subscriber**"), pursuant to which the Company has conditionally agreed to allot and issue, and the Subscriber has conditionally agreed to subscribe for, an aggregate of 432,641,522 subscription shares ("**Subscription Shares**") of the Company at the subscription price of HK\$0.47 per Subscription Share.

On 12 August 2020, the conditions set out in the aforesaid subscription agreement had been fulfilled and completion of subscription took place by then in accordance with the terms and conditions of the subscription agreement. The total number of 432,641,522 Subscription Shares were allotted and issued to the Subscriber at the subscription price of HK\$0.47 per Subscription Share representing approximately 16.6% of the issued share capital of the Company as enlarged by the issue of the Subscription Shares. The aggregate gross proceeds of the subscription will be HK\$203,341,515.34 and the aggregate net proceeds of the subscription, after deduction of expenses, is estimated to be approximately

HK\$201,841,515.34. The Company intends to use approximately 70% of the net proceeds from the subscription to supplement the general working capital, mainly for the purchase of production materials such as feeds and veterinary drugs necessary for farm operations, and approximately 30% for repayment of bank loans that are falling due to support the operation of the Company's existing business.

Immediately after the completion of subscription, Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan ceased to be the controlling shareholders of the Company but remained as the substantial shareholders and the largest single shareholder of the Company; and the Subscriber and its parent company Inner Mongolia Yili Industrial Group Co., Ltd. became substantial shareholders of the Company.

References should be made to the announcements of the Company dated 31 July 2020 and 12 August 2020 respectively for the details of the subscription.

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee"), comprising Mr. Zhang Juying Jerry (Chairman) and Prof. Li Shengli, being the independent non-executive Directors, and Ms. Yu Tianhua, being the non-executive Director, has reviewed the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, and has reviewed issues relating to internal control and risk management systems and financial reporting with the management of the Company. The Audit Committee has reviewed the unaudited interim financial statements of the Company for the six months ended 30 June 2020 and this interim report and is of the opinion that the unaudited interim financial statements and this interim report comply with all applicable accounting standards, legal requirements and requirements of the Listing Rules and adequate disclosures have been made.

#### **INVESTOR RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The Company adopts a proactive policy in promoting investor relations and communications. Regular contact is held with institutional investors and financial analysts to ensure two-way communications on the Company's performance and development.

#### **APPRECIATIONS**

The Board would like to take this opportunity to express its appreciation to the Shareholders and the public for their support to the Group, and to express its sincere appreciation to all the staff for their efforts and contributions to the Group.

On behalf of the Board China ZhongDi Dairy Holdings Company Limited Zhang Jianshe Chairman

# **Report on Review of Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Information**



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Independent review report

To the Board of Directors of China ZhongDi Dairy Holdings Company Limited (incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

### **INTRODUCTION**

We have reviewed the interim financial information set out on pages 24 to 48, which comprises the condensed consolidated statement of financial position of China ZhongDi Dairy Holdings Company Limited (the "**Company**") and its subsidiaries (the "**Group**") as at 30 June 2020 and the related condensed consolidated statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in equity and cash flows for the six-month period then ended, and explanatory notes. The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of a report on interim financial information to be in compliance with the relevant provisions thereof and International Accounting Standard 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* ("**IAS 34**") issued by International Accounting Standards Board. The directors of the Company are responsibility is to express a conclusion on this interim financial information based on our review. Our report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

# Report on Review of Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Information (continued)

### **SCOPE OF REVIEW**

We conducted our review in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Review Engagements 2410 *Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity* issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

### CONCLUSION

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim financial information is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34.

**Ernst & Young** *Certified Public Accountants* Hong Kong 31 August 2020

# **Interim Condensed Consolidated Statement of Profit or** Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the six months ended 30 June 2020

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	Notes	Results before biological fair value adjustments (Unaudited) RMB'000	2020 Biological fair value adjustments (Unaudited) RMB' 000	Total (Unaudited) RMB'000	Results before biological fair value adjustments (Unaudited) RMB' 000	2019 Biological fair value adjustments (Unaudited) RMB' 000	Total (Unaudited) RMB' 000
Revenue	5	873,220	-	873,220	705,715	_	705,715
Cost of sales	6	(566,414)	(272,507)	(838,921)	(448,430)	(230,323)	(678,753)
Gross profit Losses arising from changes in fair value		306,806	(272,507)	34,299	257,285	(230,323)	26,962
less costs to sell of biological assets Gains arising on initial recognition of agricultural produce at fair value less costs		-	(40,344)	(40,344)	-	(59,844)	(59,844)
to sell at the point of harvest		-	262,385	262,385	-	230,323	230,323
Other income		9,828	-	9,828	6,933	-	6,933
Other gains and losses		704	-	704	4,419	-	4,419
Distribution costs		(38,302)	-	(38,302)	(29,303)	-	(29,303)
Administrative expenses		(59,972)	-	(59,972)	(46,781)	-	(46,781)
Other expenses	6	(726)	-	(726)	(554)	-	(554)
Finance costs	7	(64,260)	-	(64,260)	(82,054)	-	(82,054)
Share of profits and losses of associates		(60)	-	(60)	(26)	-	(26)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	6	154,018	(50,466)	103,552	109,919	(59,844)	50,075
Income tax expense	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
PROFIT AND TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE							
INCOME FOR THE PERIOD		154,018	(50,466)	103,552	109,919	(59,844)	50,075
Attributable to:				6			
Owners of the parent		155,376	(50,466)	104,910	109,919	(59,844)	50,075
Non-controlling interests		(1,358)	(50,400)	(1,358)		(++0,00)	
			(50.466)		100.010	(50.044)	F0.07F
		154,018	(50,466)	103,552	109,919	(59,844)	50,075
Earnings per share attributable to							
ordinary equity holders of the parent:							
– Basic and diluted (RMB cents)	10			4.8			2.3

# Interim Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

30 June 2020

		30 June	31 December
	Notes	2020	2019
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
		RMB'000	RMB' 000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	11	1,973,193	1,905,714
Prepayments		90,055	71,564
Right-of-use assets		520,320	545,638
Pledged deposits		52,802	32,590
Biological assets	12	1,766,514	1,693,560
Investments in an associate		10,341	10,401
Total non-current assets		4,413,225	4,259,467
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories		386,566	465,326
Trade and other receivables	13	190,055	184,100
Biological assets	12	428	-
Pledged bank deposits	14	47,948	23,852
Cash and bank balances	14	400,377	390,765
Total current assets		1,025,374	1,064,043
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	15	430,841	783,997
Contract liabilities	16	49,286	6,405
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	17	1,206,303	1,146,449
Total current liabilities		1,686,430	1,936,851
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES		(661,056)	(872,808)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,752,169	3,386,659

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# Interim Condensed Consolidated Statement of

Financial Position (continued)

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	Notes	30 June 2020 (Unaudited) RMB'000	31 December 2019 (Audited) RMB'000
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings	17	1,349,922	1,087,959
Deferred income		34,359	34,364
Total non-current liabilities		1,384,281	1,122,323
Net assets		2,367,888	2,264,336
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the parent			
Share capital	18	135	135
Share premium and reserves		2,311,073	2,206,163
		2,311,208	2,206,298
Non-controlling interests		56,680	58,038
Total equity		2,367,888	2,264,336

Zhang Jianshe Director

Zhang Kaizhan Director

# **Interim Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity** For the six months ended 30 June 2020

		Attril	butable to ow	ners of the pa	arent			
	Share capital RMB'000	Share premium RMB' 000	Capital reserve RMB' 000	Statutory surplus reserve RMB'000	Retained profits RMB'000	Total RMB'000	Non- controlling interests RMB'000	Total equity RMB'000
At 1 January 2020 Profit and total comprehensive	135	1,019,152	398,541	107,957	680,513	2,206,298	58,038	2,264,336
income for the period	-	-	-	-	104,910	104,910	(1,358)	103,552
At 30 June 2020 (unaudited)	135	1,019,152*	398,541*	107,957*	785,423*	2,311,208	56,680	2,367,888
At 1 January 2019 Profit and total comprehensive	135	1,019,152	398,541	80,915	603,220	2,101,963	-	2,101,963
income for the period	-	_	-	-	50,075	50,075	-	50,075
At 30 June 2019 (unaudited)	135	1,019,152*	398,541*	80,915*	653,295*	2,152,038	-	2,152,038

These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of RMB2,311,073,000 (30 June 2019: RMB2,152,903,000) in the consolidated statement of financial position.

# Interim Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the six months ended 30 June 2020

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	Notes	2020 (Unaudited) RMB' 000	2019 (Unaudited) RMB' 000
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before tax		103,552	50,075
Adjustments for:		105,552	50,075
Losses arising from changes in fair value less costs to sell of biological assets		40,344	61,149
Share of profits and losses of associates		40,544 60	26
Depreciation of items of property, plant and equipment		35,287	39,471
Depreciation of right-of-use assets		8,937	6,897
Government grants for assets		(1,429)	(1,617)
Finance costs	7	64,260	82,054
Interest income		(2,580)	(3,653)
Loss/(gain) on disposal of items of property, plant and equipment		1,864	(3,199)
Foreign exchange differences, net		(1,537)	(1,401)
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital		248,758	229,802
Decrease in inventories		97,668	132,163
Increase in trade and other receivables		(8,324)	(17,062)
(Increase)/decrease in current portion of biological assets		(355)	780
Increase in pledged bank deposits		(24,096)	(4,016)
Decrease in trade and other payables and contract liabilities		(295,165)	(119,593)
Cash generated from operations		18,486	222,074
Interest received		5,010	, 5,004
Net cash flows from operating activities		23,496	227,078

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# Interim Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows (continued)

For the six months ended 30 June 2020

	2020 (Unaudited) RMB' 000	2019 (Unaudited) RMB' 000
Net cash flows from operating activities	23,496	227,078
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of items of property, plant and equipment	(160,479)	(90,111)
Additions to biological assets	(208,882)	(183,534)
Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	2,600	16,052
Proceeds from disposal of biological assets	125,044	103,966
Withdrawals of time deposits with original maturity of more than three months	161,150	-
Receipt of government grants for assets	1,424	7,306
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(79,143)	(146,321)
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
New borrowings	1,000,422	550,000
Repayment of borrowings	(669,363)	(783,081)
Principal portion of lease payments	(26,802)	(15,692)
Interest and guarantee fees paid	(55,385)	(65,507)
Withdrawals of deposits pledged for other borrowings	9,000	-
Pledged deposits placed for other borrowings	(33,000)	_
Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities	224,872	(314,280)
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	169,225	(233,523)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	229,615	456,542
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	1,537	1,132
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF THE PERIOD	400,377	224,151
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Cash and bank balances as stated in statement of financial position	400,377	382,957
Time deposits with original maturity of more than three months	_	(158,806)
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the statement of cash flows	400,377	224,151

# Notes to Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Information

30 June 2020

#### 1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION

The Company is an exempted company with limited liability incorporated in the Cayman Islands and its shares were listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "**Stock Exchange**") on 2 December 2015. The registered address of the Company is PO Box 309, Ugland House, Grand Cayman, KY1-1104, Cayman Islands.

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The Group is mainly engaged in operations of dairy farms to produce raw milk and importing and selling cows in the mainland of the People's Republic of China (the "**PRC**").

The interim condensed consolidated financial information is presented in Renminbi ("**RMB**"), which is the same as the functional currency of the Company.

### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### Going concern

The Group had net current liabilities of RMB661,056,000 as at 30 June 2020. In view of the net current liabilities position, the board of directors (the "**Directors**") have given careful consideration to the future liquidity and performance of the Group and its available sources of finance in assessing whether the Group will have sufficient financial resources to continue as a going concern.

Having considered the unutilised banking facilities available as at 30 June 2020 and the cash flow projections for the twelve-month period ending 30 June 2021, the Directors are satisfied that the Group is able to meet in full its financial obligations as they fall due for the foreseeable future. To mitigate any liquidity issues that might be faced by the Group, the Group may curtail or defer its expansion plans based on the availability of sufficient funds. Accordingly, the Directors have prepared the interim condensed consolidated financial information on a going concern basis.

### Basis of preparation

The interim condensed consolidated financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2020 has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The interim condensed consolidated financial information does not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

# Notes to Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Information (continued)

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### 3. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial information are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019, except for the adoption of the following revised International Financial Reporting Standards ("**IFRSs**") for the first time for the current period's financial information.

Amendments to IFRS 3	Definition of a Business
Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7	Interest Rate Benchmark Reform
Amendments to IFRS 16	Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions (early adopted)
Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8	Definition of Material

The nature and impact of the revised IFRSs are described below:

(a) Amendments to IFRS 3 clarify and provide additional guidance on the definition of a business. The amendments clarify that for an integrated set of activities and assets to be considered a business, it must include, at a minimum, an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create output. A business can exist without including all of the inputs and processes needed to create outputs. The amendments remove the assessment of whether market participants are capable of acquiring the business and continue to produce outputs. Instead, the focus is on whether acquired inputs and acquired substantive processes together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs. The amendments have also narrowed the definition of outputs to focus on goods or services provided to customers, investment income or other income from ordinary activities. Furthermore, the amendments provide guidance to assess whether an acquired process is substantive and introduce an optional fair value concentration test to permit a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business. The Group has applied the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

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### 3. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (continued)

- (b) Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7 address the effects of interbank offered rate reform on financial reporting. The amendments provide temporary reliefs which enable hedge accounting to continue during the period of uncertainty before the replacement of an existing interest rate benchmark. In addition, the amendments require companies to provide additional information to investors about their hedging relationships which are directly affected by these uncertainties. The amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group as the Group does not have any interest rate hedge relationships.
- (c) Amendment to IFRS 16 provides a practical expedient for lessees to elect not to apply lease modification accounting for rent concessions arising as a direct consequence of the covid-19 pandemic. The practical expedient applies only to rent concessions occurring as a direct consequence of the covid-19 pandemic and only if (i) the change in lease payments results in revised consideration for the lease that is substantially the same as, or less than, the consideration for the lease immediately preceding the change; (ii) any reduction in lease payments affects only payments originally due on or before 30 June 2021; and (iii) there is no substantive change to other terms and conditions of the lease. The amendment is effective retrospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020 with earlier application permitted. The amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.
- (d) Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8 provide a new definition of material. The new definition states that information is material if omitting, misstating or obscuring it could reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements. The amendments clarify that materiality will depend on the nature or magnitude of information. The amendments did not have any impact on the Group's interim condensed consolidated financial information.

# Notes to Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Information (continued)

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### 4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For the six-month period ended 30 June 2020 and 2019, over 90% of the Group's revenue, net profit and assets are attributable to the dairy farming business, therefore operating segment information disclosure is no longer required.

### 5. **REVENUE**

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June		
	2020	2019	
	RMB' 000	RMB' 000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Revenue from contracts with customers			
Sale of raw milk	849,038	705,635	
Rendering of import agency services	24,182	80	
	873,220	705,715	

All of the Group's revenue is derived from customers based in the mainland of the PRC and is recognised when goods or services transfer at a point of time.

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## 6. **PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	For the six months ended 30 June		
	2020	2019	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Cost of sales			
Feeds and other related costs for raw milk production	549,193	448,430	
Gains arising on initial recognition of agricultural produce at			
fair value less costs to sell at the point of harvest	262,385	230,323	
Cost of sales of raw milk	811,578	678,753	
Purchase, feeds and other related costs for cows held for sale	17,221	-	
Gains arising from changes in fair value less costs to sell of biological assets	10,122	-	
Cost of sales of cows held for sale	27,343	_	
	838,921	678,753	
Other expenses			
Bank charges	717	549	
Others	9	5	
	726	554	
Staff costs (including the Directors' emoluments)			
Salaries, bonuses and allowances	84,708	56,413	
Contributions to retirement benefit scheme	2,615	6,626	
Total employee benefits	87,323	63,039	
Less: Capitalised in biological assets	(21,721)	(14,777)	
Employee benefits charged directly to profit or loss	65,602	48,262	
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#### 7. FINANCE COSTS

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB' 000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Interest on bank and other borrowings	49,889	65,757
Interest on lease liabilities	15,658	16,297
Less: Interest capitalised	(1,287)	
	64,260	82,054

#### 8. INCOME TAX

A reconciliation of the income tax expense applicable to profit before tax for the six months ended 30 June 2020 at the statutory tax rate to the income tax expense at the effective tax rate is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Profit before tax	103,552	50,075
Tax at corporate income tax rate at 25%	25,888	12,519
Effect of items that are not deductible in determining taxable profit	12,937	15,411
Effect of losses incurred for agricultural business	3,960	4,319
Tax losses not recognised	6,980	5,304
Effect of tax exemption granted to agricultural operations	(49,765)	(37,553)
Income tax	-	_

According to the prevailing tax rules and regulations in the PRC, the Company's subsidiaries engaged in agricultural business are exempted from enterprise income tax for taxable profit from the operation of agricultural business in the PRC.

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#### 9. **DIVIDENDS**

The Directors do not recommend the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2020 (six months ended 30 June 2019: nil).

#### 10. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT

The earnings and weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share are as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2020	2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Earnings		
Profit for the period attributable to ordinary equity holders of the parent	104,910	50,075
	Number of s	shares
	For the six months e	ended 30 June
	2020	2019
	'000	'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period	2,174,078	2,174,078

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#### **11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

	<b>30 June 2020</b> 31	31 December 2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Cost		
Balance at beginning of the period/year	2,380,136	2,176,421
Additions	137,411	226,872
Disposals	(6,163)	(23,157)
Balance at end of the period/year	2,511,384	2,380,136
Accumulated depreciation		
Balance at beginning of the period/year	474,422	361,921
Charge for the period/year	65,468	122,937
Disposals	(1,699)	(10,436)
Balance at end of the period/year	538,191	474,422
Net carrying amount	1,973,193	1,905,714

Assets with net book value of RMB4,464,000 were disposed of by the Group during the six months ended 30 June 2020 (year ended 31 December 2019: RMB12,721,000), resulting in a net loss on disposal of RMB1,864,000 (31 December 2019: net gain of RMB2,770,000).

As at 30 June 2020, certain of the Group's property, plant and equipment with an aggregate carrying amount of approximately RMB465,955,000 (31 December 2019: RMB287,684,000) were pledged to secure interest-bearing bank and other borrowings to the Group (note 17).

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#### **12. BIOLOGICAL ASSETS**

During the six months ended 30 June 2020, the biological assets of the Group are dairy cows held to produce raw milk (i.e. milkable cows, heifers and calves) and cows held for sale. Dairy cows held to produce raw milk are categorised as bearer biological assets and cows held for sale are categorised as consumable biological assets.

#### (A) Quantity of biological assets

The Group's dairy cows include cows held for sale, milkable cows, heifers and calves. Heifers and calves are dairy cows that have not had their first calves. The quantity of cows owned by the Group is shown as follows:

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	Heads	Heads
Cows held for sale	26	_
Milkable cows	38,331	37,880
Heifers and calves	27,708	27,549
	66,065	65,429

Cows held for sale comprise heifers imported and held in quarantine farms and heifers/calves reproduced by the Group for sale to external customers. Cows held for sale are classified as current assets.

Milkable cows, heifers and calves are dairy cows of the Group for the purpose of production of raw milk and are classified as non-current assets.

In general, the heifers are inseminated when they reached approximately 14 months old. After an approximately 285-day pregnancy term, a calf is born and the dairy cow begins to produce raw milk and the lactation period begins. A milkable cow is typically milked for approximately 305 days to 340 days before a dry period of approximately 60 days. When a heifer begins to produce raw milk, it is transferred to the category of milkable cows based on the estimated fair value less cost to sell on the date of transfer.

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#### 12. BIOLOGICAL ASSETS (continued)

#### (B) Value of biological assets

The amounts of the Group's biological assets are as follows:

30 June 2020	31 December 2019
RMB' 000	RMB'000
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Cows held for sale 428	_
Milkable cows <b>1,302,790</b>	1,253,530
Heifers and calves 463,724	440,030
Total value of cows 1,766,942	1,693,560
Current portion 428	_
Non-current portion 1,766,514	1,693,560
1,766,942	1,693,560

The fair value of the Group's dairy cows as at 30 June 2020 was estimated by using the same valuation techniques as detailed in note 16 to the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019. As the fair value was determined using significant unobservable inputs, it falls in level 3 of fair value hierarchy.

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#### **13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES**

The Group normally allows a credit period of 30 days to its customers for sales of raw milk. The Group normally requires prepayments for sales of cows and alfalfa. An ageing analysis of the Group's trade receivables presented based on the invoice date which approximates to the date on which revenue is recognised as at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	30 June 2020 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2019 RMB' 000 (Audited)
Trade receivables:		
Within 1 month	142,284	153,161
1 to 2 months	3,668	3,957
	145,952	157,118
Other receivables:		
– Advances to suppliers	30,689	16,684
– Others	13,414	10,298
	44,103	26,982
	190,055	184,100

As at 30 June 2020, the Group has entered into factoring agreements with certain financial institutions as to secure interest-bearing bank and other borrowings. Since the Group has retained the substantial risks and rewards relating to such trade receivables, it continued to recognise the full carrying amounts of trade receivables. Trade receivables under such factoring agreements amounted to RMB13,957,000 as at 30 June 2020 (31 December 2019: RMB11,451,000).

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#### 14. PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS AND CASH AND BANK BALANCES

	30 June 2020 RMB' 000	31 December 2019 RMB' 000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Cash and cash equivalents	400,377	229,615
Time deposits with original maturity of more than three months	-	161,150
Cash and bank balances	400,377	390,765
Pledged bank deposits	47,948	23,852
	448,325	414,617

RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations/Administration of Settlement and Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Pledged bank deposits and cash and bank balances of the Group are denominated in RMB, the United States Dollars ("USD") and Hong Kong Dollars ("HKD") as follows:

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
RMB	411,995	228,383
USD	35,414	185,749
HKD	916	485
	448,325	414,617

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#### **15. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES**

The credit period granted to the Group for the settlement of trade purchases is within 90 days. An ageing analysis of trade payables presented based on the invoice date at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

	30 June 2020 RMB' 000	31 December 2019 RMB' 000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Trade payables:		
– Within 3 months	248,692	462,460
– 4 to 6 months	45,838	208,357
– Over 6 months	65,127	34,190
	359,657	705,007
Payable for acquisition of items of property, plant and equipment	10,685	15,439
Accrued staff costs	15,466	19,700
Interest payables	4,465	14,819
Deposits	18,109	18,334
Others	22,459	10,698
	71,184	78,990
	430,841	783,997

#### **16. CONTRACT LIABILITIES**

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
	RMB'000	RMB' 000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Short-term advances received from customers:		
Sale of goods	49,286	6,405

Contract liabilities include short-term advances received to deliver goods and render agency services. The increase in contract liabilities in 2020 was mainly due to the increase in short-term advances received from customers in relation to the provision of sale of goods at the end of the reporting period.

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#### 17. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

		30 June 2020	31 December 2019
	Natas	RMB'000	RMB'000
	Notes	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Unsecured lease liabilities		434,654	443,271
Unsecured bank borrowings		318,720	333,220
Unsecured other borrowings		71,740	-
Guaranteed and unsecured bank borrowings	(i.a)	457,682	450,000
Secured bank borrowings	(i.b)	103,000	65,000
Secured other borrowings	(i.c)	50,030	97,937
Guaranteed and secured bank borrowings	(i.d)	157,143	171,428
Guaranteed and secured other borrowings	(i.e)	963,256	673,552
		2,556,225	2,234,408
Bank and other borrowings repayable:			
Within one year		1,206,303	1,146,449
Between one and two years		443,880	305,753
Between two and five years		654,793	596,198
Over five years		251,249	186,008
		2,556,225	2,234,408
Bank and other borrowings comprise:			
0		1,388,296	1,241,491
Fixed-rate bank and other borrowings			
Fixed-rate bank and other borrowings Variable-rate bank and other borrowings		1,167,929	992,917

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#### 17. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS (continued)

Notes:

- (i) (a) As at 30 June 2020, Mr. Zhang Jianshe, the controlling shareholder of the Group, guaranteed bank borrowings of RMB457,682,000 (31 December 2019: RMB450,000,000), of which RMB255,500,000 (31 December 2019: RMB275,000,000) were also guaranteed by Mrs. Li Jingtao, the spouse of Mr. Zhang Jianshe.
  - (b) As at 30 June 2020, bank borrowings of RMB103,000,000 (31 December 2019: RMB65,000,000) were secured by dairy cows of RMB73,500,000 (31 December 2019: RMB73,500,000).
  - (c) As at 30 June 2020, other borrowings of RMB50,030,000 (31 December 2019: RMB97,937,000) were secured by dairy cows of RMB48,553,000 (31 December 2019: dairy cows of RMB426,736,000 and bank deposits of RMB9,000,000).
  - (d) As at 30 June 2020, bank borrowings of RMB157,143,000 (31 December 2019: RMB171,428,000) were guaranteed by Mr. Zhang Jianshe, Mrs. Li Jingtao and China United SME Guarantee Corporation Company, an independent third party, and secured by property, plant and equipment of the Group with an aggregate carrying amount of RMB129,362,000 (31 December 2019: RMB147,997,000).
  - (e) As at 30 June 2020, other borrowings of RMB499,984,000 (31 December 2019: RMB495,008,000) were secured by trade receivables of RMB12,702,000 (31 December 2019: RMB11,451,000) and dairy cows of RMB315,337,000 (31 December 2019: RMB322,760,000) under factoring agreements and guaranteed by Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mrs. Li Jingtao.

As at 30 June 2020, other borrowings of RMB104,564,000 (31 December 2019: RMB137,046,000) were secured by dairy cows of RMB236,461,000 (31 December 2019: RMB229,756,000) and guaranteed by Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mrs. Li Jingtao.

As at 30 June 2020, other borrowings of RMB21,785,000 (31 December 2019: RMB41,497,000) was secured by property, plant and equipment of the Group with an aggregate carrying amount of RMB138,070,000 (31 December 2019: RMB139,687,000), prepayment for non-current assets of the Group of RMB2,603,000 (31 December 2019: RMB2,603,000) and certain of the Group's long-term pledged deposits amounting to approximately RMB25,400,000 (31 December 2019: RMB24,119,000 (31 December 2019: RMB23,593,000), and guaranteed by Mr. Zhang Jianshe.

As at 30 June 2020, other borrowings of RMB336,923,000 (31 December 2019: nil) were secured by property, plant and equipment of the Group with an aggregate carrying amount of RMB198,523,000 (31 December 2019: nil), trade receivables of RMB1,255,000 (31 December 2019: nil), dairy cows with a carrying amount of RMB416,580,000 (31 December 2019: nil), and certain of the Group's long-term pledged deposits amounting to approximately RMB33,000,000 (31 December 2019: nil) with present value of RMB28,683,000 (31 December 2019: nil), and guaranteed by Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mrs. Li Jingtao.

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#### 17. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS (Continued)

#### Notes: (continued)

(ii) As at 30 June 2020, the contracted interest rates of the above bank and other borrowings ranged from 2.80% to 8.00% (31 December 2019: 4.60% to 6.84%).

(iii) The Group's bank borrowings were denominated in the following currencies:

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
RMB	2,504,043	2,234,408
USD	52,182	-
	2,556,225	2,234,408

#### **18. SHARE CAPITAL**

30 June 2020	31 December 2019
RMB'000	RMB'000
(Unaudited)	(Audited)
306	306
135	135
	RMB'000 (Unaudited) 306

#### **19. COMMITMENTS**

The Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	30 June 2020	31 December 2019
	RMB' 000	RMB' 000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Contracted, but not provided for: Plant and machinery	794,069	203,092

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#### **20. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

- (a) In addition to the transactions detailed elsewhere in this financial information, the Group had rented two offices from SinoFarm Genetics & Seeds (Group) Co., Ltd. ("SinoFarm Genetics & Seeds"). SinoFarm Genetics & Seeds is beneficially owned by Beijing YeGu Agriculture Technology Development Company Limited ("YeGu Agriculture") as to 51% and Beijing Qin Long Da Bio Technology Co., Ltd. ("Qin Long Da") as to 49%, respectively. YeGu Agriculture is wholly owned by Mr. Zhang Jianshe. Qin Long Da is owned as to 1% by Ms. Chang Na, an independent third party, and 99% by Mr. Li Jingbo, the brother-in-law of Mr. Zhang Jianshe. Accordingly, SinoFarm Genetics & Seeds is a connected person of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules"). The two office rent contracts were from 22 June 2018 to 21 June 2021, with annual lease payments of RMB2,514,000 and RMB4,085,000, respectively.
- (b) Compensation to key management personnel

	For the six months ended 30 June		
	2020	2019	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Salaries, bonuses and other benefits	4,912	3,606	
Retirement benefit scheme contributions	41	130	
	4,953	3,736	

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#### 21. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying amounts and fair values of the Group's financial instruments, other than those with carrying amounts that reasonably approximate to the fair values, are as follows:

	30 June 2020		31 December 2019	
	Carrying		Carrying	
	amounts	Fair values	amounts	Fair values
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Audited)
Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings				
(other than lease liabilities)	2,121,571	2,234,829	1,791,137	2,006,751

The Group's financial department headed by the finance manager is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments. At each reporting date, the finance department analyses the movements in the value of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation. The valuation is reviewed and approved by the chief financial officer. The valuation process and results are discussed with the audit committee twice a year for interim and annual financial reporting.

The fair values of the financial assets and liabilities are included at the moment at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale.

The fair values of interest-bearing bank and other borrowings have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities, and they are in Level 2 of fair value hierarchy.

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#### 22. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

(a) On 31 July 2020, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with Hongkong Jingang Trade Holding Co., Limited (the "Subscriber"), a company primarily engaged in investment and trading business and is wholly-owned by Inner Mongolia Yili Industrial Group Co., Ltd., whose shares are listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange of the PRC, pursuant to which the Company has conditionally agreed to allot and issue an aggregate of 432,641,522 shares ("Subscription Shares") of the Company at a subscription price of HK\$0.47 per share, representing approximately 16.6% of the enlarged issued share capital of the Company upon the completion of the issue of the Subscription Shares.

The subscription was completed on 12 August 2020. The aggregate gross proceeds of the subscription were approximately HK\$203,342,000 and the aggregate net proceeds of the subscription, after deduction of expenses, were approximately HK\$201,842,000.

Immediately after completion, the shareholding percentage of Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan in the Company decreased to approximately 29.51% of the then issued share capital of the Company. Therefore, (i) Mr. Zhang Jianshe and Mr. Zhang Kaizhan ceased to be the controlling shareholders of the Company but remain as the substantial shareholders of the Company; and (ii) the Subscriber became a substantial shareholder of the Company.

(b) On 7 August 2020, Beijing Sinofarm Stud Livestock Co., Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a partnership agreement with Linyi Caijin Equity Investment Fund Management Co., Ltd. ("Linyi Caijin Equity"), Linyi New Growth Drivers Fund Investment Co., Ltd., and Yinan New Growth Drivers Fund Investment Co., Ltd. to form a limited partnership (the "Limited Partnership") to invest in Yinan ZhongDi Farm Co., Ltd., a non-wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group. Linyi Caijin Equity is the general partner of the Limited Partnership, while the remaining parties are limited partners.