

Sichuan Expressway Company Limited

(Stock Code: 00107) (a joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

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DEFINITIONS

In this section, the definitions are presented in alphabetical order (A–Z).

I. NAME OF EXPRESSWAY PROJECTS

| Airport Expressway | Chengdu Airport Expressway |
|--------------------------|---|
| Chengbei Exit Expressway | Chengdu Chengbei Exit Expressway |
| Chengle Expressway | Sichuan Chengle (Chengdu-Leshan) Expressway |
| Chengren Expressway | Chengdu-Meishan (Renshou) Section of ChengZiLuChi (Chengdu-Zigong-Luzhou-Chishui) Expressway |
| Chengya Expressway | Sichuan Chengya (Chengdu-Ya'an) Expressway |
| Chengyu Expressway | Chengyu (Chengdu-Chongqing) Expressway (Sichuan Section) |
| Suiguang Expressway | Sichuan Suiguang (Suining-Guang'an) Expressway |
| Suixi Expressway | Sichuan Suixi (Suining-Xichong) Expressway |
| Tianqiong Expressway | Chengdu Tianfu New Area to Qionglai Expressway |

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II. BRANCHES, SUBSIDIARIES AND PRINCIPAL INVESTED COMPANIES

| Airport Expressway Company | Chengdu Airport Expressway Company Limited |
|---|--|
| Chengbei Company | Chengdu Chengbei Exit Expressway Company Limited |
| Chengle Company | Sichuan Chengle Expressway Company Limited |
| Chengle Operation Branch | Operation and Management Branch of Sichuan Chengle Expressway Company Limited |
| Chengren Branch | Sichuan Expressway Company Limited Chengren Branch |
| Chengya Branch | Sichuan Expressway Company Limited Chengya Branch |
| Chengya Oil Company | Sichuan Chengya Expressway Oil Supply Company Limited |
| Chengyu Advertising Company | Sichuan Chengyu Expressway Advertising Company Limited |
| Chengyu Branch | Sichuan Expressway Company Limited Chengyu Branch |
| Chengqiongya Company | Sichuan Chengqiongya Expressway Company Limited |
| Chengyu Development Fund | Sichuan Chengyu Development Equity Investment Fund Centre (Limited Partnership) |
| Chengyu Education Company | Sichuan Chengyu Education Investment Co. Ltd. |
| Chengyu Financial Leasing Company | Chengyu Financial Leasing Company Limited |
| Chengyu Jianxin Fund Company | Chengdu Chengyu Jianxin Equity Investment Fund Management Co., Ltd. |
| Chengyu Logistics Company | Sichuan Chengyu Logistics Company Limited (四川成渝物流有限公 司) |
| Commercial Factoring Company | Sichuan Chengyu Commercial Factoring Company Limited (previously known as "Tianyi United Commercial Factoring (Luzhou) Company Limited (天乙多聯商業保理(瀘州)有限公司)") |
| CSI SCE | CSI SCE Investment Holding Limited |
| Multimodal United Transportation Company | Sichuan Multimodal United Transportation Investment and Development Co., Ltd.*(四川省多式聯運投資發展有限公司) (formerly known as "Sichuan Tianyi United Investment & Development Co., Ltd (四川省天乙多聯投資發展有限公司)") |

| Renshou Bank | Sichuan Renshou Rural Commercial Bank Co. Ltd. |
|--|---|
| Renshou Landmark Company | Renshou Trading Landmark Company Limited |
| Renshou Shunan Company | Renshou Shunan Investment Management Company Limited |
| Shuhai Company | Chengdu Shuhai Investment Management Company Limited |
| Shuhong Company | Chengdu Shuhong Property Company Limited |
| Shunan Chengxing Company | Ziyang Shunan Chengxing Project Construction & Management Co., Ltd. |
| Shunan Company | Sichuan Shunan Investment Management Company Limited |
| Shuxia Company | Sichuan Shuxia Industrial Company Limited |
| Suiguang-Suixi Company | Sichuan Suiguang-Suixi Expressway Company Limited |
| Transportation Construction Company | Sichuan Transportation Construction Group Co., Ltd. (formerly known as "Sichuan Trading Construction Engineering Co., Ltd." and "Sichuan Shugong Expressway Engineering Company Limited") |
| Zhonglu Energy Company | Sichuan Zhonglu Energy Company Limited |
| Zhongxin Company | Sichuan Zhongxin Assets Management Co., Ltd. |

III. OTHERS

| 2020 AGM | the 2020 annual general meeting of the Company to be held on 25 May 2021 (Tuesday), notice of which will be published on the Stock Exchange's website and despatched to the Shareholders on 20 April 2021 (Tuesday) |
|--|--|
| A Share(s) | ordinary shares of the Company with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are issued in the PRC, subscribed for in RMB and listed on the SSE |
| Articles of Association | the articles of association of the Company, as amended from time to time |
| associate(s) | has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange |
| associated corporation(s) | has the meaning ascribed thereto under the SFO |
| Audit Committee | the audit committee under the Board |
| Board | the board of Directors of the Company |
| BOT Project | build-operation-transfer project |
| BT Project | build-transfer project |
| Chengle Expressway Capacity Expansion Construction Project | Capacity Expansion Construction Project for Chengdu to Leshan Expressway |
| Chengle Expressway Capacity Expansion Trial Project | Capacity Expansion Trial Project for Qinglongchang to Meishan Section of Chengle Expressway |
| China Merchants Expressway Company | China Merchants Expressway Network and Technology Holdings Co., Ltd. (previously known as China Merchants Huajian Highway Investment Company Limited), the substantial shareholder of the Company |
| Company | Sichuan Expressway Company Limited |
| CSRC | China Securities Regulatory Commission |
| CRSC | China Railway Signal & Communication Corporation Limited |
| Development Investment Company | Sichuan Development Equity Investment Fund Management Co., Ltd. |
| | |

| Director(s) | director(s) of the Company |
|---|---|
| Dividend Entitlement Date | 8 June 2021 (Tuesday), the date on which the Shareholders whose names appear on the H Shares register of member of the Company shall be entitled to the 2020 final dividend of the Company (if approved by the Shareholders at the 2020 AGM) |
| Group | the Company and its subsidiaries |
| H Share(s) | overseas listed shares of the Company with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each, which are issued in Hong Kong, subscribed for in Hong Kong dollars and listed on the main board of Stock Exchange |
| HK\$ | Hong Kong dollar(s), the lawful currency of Hong Kong |
| Hong Kong | the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC |
| Listing Rules | the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange and/or the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the SSE (as the case may be) |
| Lushan Tourism Highway Project | the PPP Project of the construction of tourism road from Longmen, Lushan County to Baosheng to Dachuan |
| Model Code | the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers contained in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange, which has been adopted by the Company as the code of conduct for securities transactions by the Directors and the Supervisors of the Company |
| Nomination Committee | the nomination committee under the Board |
| PRC or Mainland China | The People's Republic of China, for the purpose of this annual report, excluding Hong Kong, the Macau Special Administrative Region and Taiwan |
| Remuneration and Appraisal Committee | the remuneration and appraisal committee under the Board |
| RMB | Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC |
| SFO | the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) |

| Share(s) | A Share(s) and/or H Share(s) (as the case may be) |
|---|---|
| Shareholder(s) | holder(s) of Shares |
| Sichuan Expressway Construction and Development | Sichuan Expressway Construction & Development Group Co., Ltd. (formerly known as "Sichuan Speedway Construction Development General Company"), a subsidiary of STIG |
| SRIG | Sichuan Railway Investment Group Co., LTD* (四川省鐵路產業投資 集團有限責任公司), and its ultimate actual controller is the SASAC of SPG |
| SRIG Group | Sichuan Railway Investment Group Co., LTD* (四川省鐵路產業投資 集團有限責任公司) and its subsidiaries |
| SSE | Shanghai Stock Exchange |
| STIG | Sichuan Transportation Investment Group Corporation Limited, the controlling shareholder of the Company |
| STIG Group | STIG and its subsidiaries |
| Stock Exchange | The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited |
| Strategic Committee | the strategic committee under the Board |
| Suiguang Suixi Expressways BOT Project | the project on Suiguang Expressway and Suixi Expressway in the form of BOT (build-operate-transfer) |
| Supervisor(s) | supervisor(s) of the Company |
| Supervisory Committee | supervisory committee of the Company |
| Tianqiong Expressway BOT Project | the project of Chengdu Tianfu New District to Qionglai Expressway BOT (build-operate-transfer) |
| Tianqiong Expressway Project | Expressway project for Chengdu Tianfu New District to Qionglai |
| Trading Property Company | Sichuan Trading Property Company Limited (四川交投地產有限公司) (previously known as "Sichuan Trading Landmark Company Limited") |
| Year or Reporting Period | the 12 months ended 31 December 2020 |
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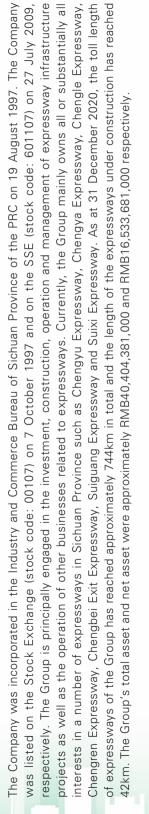
In this annual report, the English names of the PRC entities are translations of their Chinese names and included herein for identification purposes only. In the event of any inconsistency between the Chinese and English names, the Chinese names shall prevail.

CORPORATE INFORMATION

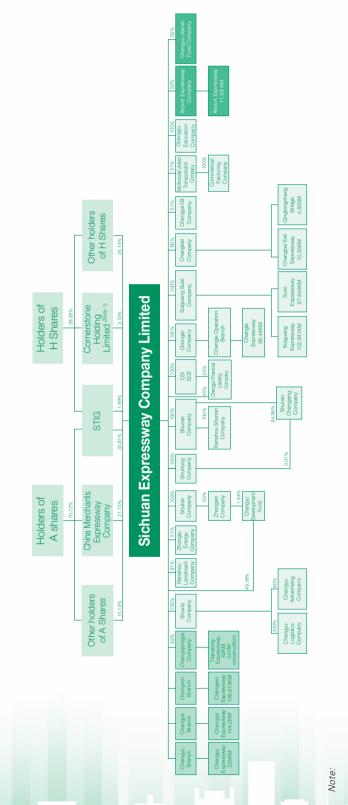
| Statutory Chinese and English Names of the Company | 四川成渝高速公路股份有限公司 Sichuan Expressway Company Limited | | | | |
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| Stock Exchanges of the Listing Shares | A Shares:Shanghai Stock ExchangeStock Code:601107Stock Name:Sichuan ExpressH Shares:The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong LimitedStock Code:00107Stock Name:Sichuan Express | | | | |
| Newspapers Selected by the Company for Information Disclosure | China Securities Journal, Shanghai Securities News | | | | |
| Websites Designated for Publication of the Annual Report of the Company | http://www.sse.com.cn http://www.hkex.com.hk http://www.cygs.com | | | | |
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CORPORATE INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

| Place for Inspection of the Annual Report of the Company | PRC: | 252 Wuhouci Da Jie, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC | | | |
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| PRC Auditor | Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership 9th Floor, Block A, Fu Hua Mansion, No.8 Chao Yang Men Bei Da Jie, Dong Cheng District, Beijing City, the PRC | | | | |
| Hong Kong Legal Adviser | Li & Partners 22/F, World-Wide House, 19 Des Voeux Road Central, Central, Hong Kong | | | | |
| PRC Legal Adviser | (北京市中銀() 13th Floor, B No. 158 Tian Chengdu, Sic | gyin (Chengdu) Law Firm 成都)律師事務所) lock B, OCG International Center, fu 4th Avenue, GaoXin District, chuan Province, the PRC 衣都市高新區天府四街158號OCG國際中心B座13層) | | | |
| Domestic Shares Registrar and Transfer Office | Shanghai Bra 36/F China In | ties Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited Inch Isurance Building, Izui East Road, Pudong, Shanghai, the PRC | | | |
| Hong Kong Shares Registrar and Transfer Office | 1712–1716, | legistrars Limited 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong | | | |
| Principal Place of Business in Hong Kong | | –2203, 22/F, World-Wide House, x Road Central, Central, Hong Kong | | | |
| Unified Social Credit Code | 91510000207 | 189926XW | | | |
| Principal Banker | China Construction Bank | | | | |



For the year ended 31 December 2020, the total number of share capital of the Company is 3,058,060,000 Shares (including 895,320,000 H Shares and 2,162,740,000 A Shares), the shareholders and asset structure of the Company are as follows:



Cornerstone Holdings Limited, holding equity interests, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of China Merchant Expressway Company, which is therefore deemed to be interested in the H shares held by Cornerstone Holdings Limited under the SFO. (1)

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CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT



I would like to report on behalf of the Board of Directors to the Shareholders. In 2020, in response to the multiple challenges such as the sudden outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic and the severe and complicated macroeconomic situation, the Group faced up to difficulties and forged ahead with determination, and coordinated the pandemic prevention and control with the business development. The Company seized major strategic opportunities in the construction of Chengdu-Chongqing dual-city economic circle and a province with powerful transportation capacity, made all efforts to achieve remarkable progress in all aspects of work, and took new and important steps on the road to high-quality development.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

In 2020, the Group's profit attributable to the owners of the Company was approximately RMB674,809,000, representing a year-on-year decrease of 37.87%. Basic earnings per share were approximately RMB0.221 (2019: approximately RMB0.355). In accordance with the provisions in the Articles of Association, if the Company distributes cash dividend, the sum of such cash dividend shall not be less than 30% of the profit available for distribution to the Shareholders recorded by the Company for the period concerned (the lower of the profit available for distribution to the Shareholders under PRC accounting standards and that under foreign accounting standards). To reward and thank the Shareholders for their continued support to the Group, the Board has recommended a final cash dividend for the year 2020 of RMB0.08 per share (tax inclusive), aggregating to approximately RMB244,645,000, representing 47.27% of the profit available for distribution to the Shareholders to the Company for the year in accordance with the PRC accounting standards and 36.27% of the profit attributable to the owners of the Company (calculated under the PRC accounting standards) as shown in the consolidated financial statements of the Company. The proposed dividend is subject to approval at the forthcoming 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Company.

REVIEW

The macro economy improved against the trend. In 2020, in response to the severe and complicated domestic and international environment, especially the huge impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, China coordinated and promoted the pandemic prevention and control as well as the economic and social development, focused on the work of "stability on six fronts" and comprehensively implemented the tasks of "security in six areas", so that the economic operation continued to recover steadily, which made China the first country to achieve the positive growth in the major economies around the world, and its economic aggregate realized a new record of RMB100 trillion¹. Under such background, the government of Sichuan Province, following the working philosophy of "making further contribution in agriculture, shouldering major mission in industry, playing the leading role in investment, and promoting upgrading in consumption", made unremitting efforts to overcome difficulties, contributing to a quarter-by-quarter recovery and steady growth of the provincial economy. It achieved a regional GDP of RMB4.86 trillion, ranking the sixth in China, with a growth rate of 3.8%, which was 1.5 percentage points higher than that of the national GDP. The per capita disposable income of urban and rural residents increased by 5.8% and 8.6%² year-on-year, respectively.

² Source: the People's Government of Sichuan Province



¹ China's gross domestic product (GDP) reached RMB101,598.6 billion in 2020, representing a year-on-year increase of 2.3% as calculated at constant prices.

High-quality development of the transportation industry advanced steadily. In 2020, with unprecedented difficulties and challenges, the accelerated construction of a country with powerful transportation capability provided strong support for the implementation of major national strategies. As a result, significant achievements were made in the pandemic prevention and control and the poverty alleviation through transportation; transportation was strongly secured; logistics cost was reduced and efficiency was improved; improvement of the transportation infrastructure network was accelerated, congestion at toll stations on the provincial boundaries became a thing of the past, investment in transportation fixed-assets grew against the trend, and comprehensive transportation development plans and other special plans were promoted in a coordinated manner. In 2020, from the perspective of transportation, Sichuan, as a participant, not only made positive contributions, but also seized the strategic opportunities and became a veritable province with strong transportation capacity. In terms of transportation, Sichuan government attached great importance to the construction of modern comprehensive transportation. As a result, the infrastructure conditions were continuously improved; mileage of expressways open to traffic and railways under operation reached 8,140 kilometers and 5,312 kilometers, respectively, and the number of highways into and out of Sichuan increased to 38³. The construction of the Chengdu-Chongqing dual-city economic circle was vigorously promoted to support three-dimensional and comprehensive opening up of Sichuan. The construction of 27 major projects jointly implemented by Sichuan and Chongqing, including the Chengdu-Nanchong-Dazhou-Wanzhou High-speed Railway, was commenced. With focus on integrated development and intensified efforts in interconnected innovation in "transportation + industry", "transportation + tourism" and other areas, development quality and efficiency was continuously improved.

We made concerted efforts to overcome difficulties and worked together for development. 2020 was the final year of the "13th Five-Year Plan", and also the year in which the Company has encountered the most difficulties and biggest challenges since its establishment. The relevant production and operation activities of the Company were strongly impacted by the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic, toll-free policy on expressways and sudden and successive emergencies in flood season. We coordinated the pandemic prevention and control with the production and operation, maintained profits, promoted projects, refined management and control, resisted risks, overcame difficulties and forged ahead with determination, thus making remarkable progress in all aspects of work through arduous efforts and realizing a satisfactory ending of the "13th Five-Year Plan" development.

The creation of operational efficiency was deeply promoted for the improvement of business performance. Under the new situation, construction of and technical support for the electromechanical operation and maintenance system was strengthened; the toll collection system was under smooth operation; multiple approaches were developed to plug loopholes and increase revenue, and all tolls receivable were collected. Some relevant diversified businesses were deeply explored for road economy and road derivative economy: the urban operation business was in a stable and orderly condition; the receivables related to the projects in Ziyang and Renshou and other projects were recovered on schedule; the property sales in Renshou were proceeding in an orderly manner; the advertising business resources in the service areas under management and along the expressways were integrated; and operating revenue and service quality were continuously improved. For the energy business, marketing revenue was accurately measured, and gross profit margin was further improved. For the financial business, we actively participated in market competition and continuously expanded development space. For the financial leasing business, the results improved against the trend, and a combination of long-term and short-term equity

³ Source: the People's Government of Sichuan Province

investments resulted in a stable increase in revenue. High-demand special actions were further taken to reduce costs and increase efficiency, with key costs significantly reduced. We obtained the support from social security and taxation policies such as "reduction, exemption, delay, rebate and subsidy (免減緩 返補)", and received the subsidy for project of cancellation of expressway toll stations on the provincial boundaries. Through unremitting efforts, the Group achieved net revenue of approximately RMB8.199 billion and total profit before tax of approximately RMB992 million throughout the year.

The advance of key projects was accelerated for strengthening the development foundation. For the Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project, we took the lead in work resumption within the province, completed the environmental assessment and public participation for the access section to the downtown and obtained approval for the preliminary design. A number of key nodes such as the Mianzhu Interchange and the Leshan North Toll Station were completed and opened to traffic. For the Tianqiong Expressway Project, we established a project company, signed the concession agreement, full-line land requisition and resettlement agreement and other agreements on schedule, and completed the preliminary preparation, achieving the controlled commencement of construction. For the reserve projects, the preliminary study and preparation for investment attraction was conducted in an orderly manner, so as to continuously consolidate and expand the scale of the Company's core assets.

Financial management and control was accurately implemented for the enhancement of capital security. The Company further improved its financial management system, gave full play to the fund pooling effect, and reduced idle and precipitation funds through comprehensive policies and balanced regulation. Through more efforts on negotiation and communication with financial institutions, the interest rates of all liquidity loans were lowered and the high-interest funds of RMB1.06 billion were replaced. The interest rates of the syndicated construction loans for Chengren Expressway within the lifetime, and for Suiguang Expressway and Suixi Expressway within one year, fell across the board and the interest payment was delayed, reducing the cost of outstanding debts. By taking full advantage of the Company's listed platform and its AAA credit rating, with the policy support during the pandemic, the Company successfully obtained the first special low-cost liquidity loan of RMB300 million in the province, which was granted by the China Development Bank for work and production resumption, obtained approval for the registration of medium-term notes and ultra-short-term debentures of RMB2 billion and RMB2 billion, respectively, and completed the formation of syndicate and the signing of contracts for the Tianqiong Expressway Project, setting a record low in its construction loan cost.

We were determined to resist the invasion of risks for the improvement of the prevention and control system. The Company responded to the COVID-19 pandemic in a scientific manner, consistently carried out normal pandemic prevention and control, and supported and coordinated the joint prevention and control, the emergency supply assurance and the work and production resumption; it intensified check and identification of hidden dangers during the flood season, efficiently handled the risk of slope landslide, and secured a stable and safe flood season. The Company made concentrated efforts to improve the operation prevention and control system by continuing to strengthen corporate governance, strictly implementing and effectively improving risk control strategies at the levels of compliance, legal affairs, internal control and audit, and performing, with high standards, its obligations of information disclosure and corporate governance as an A+H share listed company. In 2020, the Company continued to be awarded the Grade "A" company for information disclosure by SSE. It strictly controlled investment risks, improved investment decision-making procedures, enhanced the internal quality of project approval and feasibility studies, strengthened pre-investment review of model assumptions, financial evaluation indicators and financing plans, and built a refined analysis model. The Company increased efforts to fulfill its social and environmental responsibilities, and prevented and resolved such risks as related to safe production, ecological environment, and stability in complaint letters and visits.

PROSPECTS AND STRATEGIES

The year 2021 marks the first year for the implementation of "14th Five-Year Plan" and the pursuit of dreams on a new journey with dedicated efforts.

In terms of the macroeconomic environment, the world economic situation remains complex and severe with unstable and imbalanced recovery, and various derivative risks caused by the impact of the pandemic shall not be ignored. Under serious challenges, China will, for the purpose of its economy, adhere to the general principle of seeking progress while maintaining stability, build on the new development stage, implement new development concepts, and construct a new development pattern. China will maintain the continuity, stability and sustainability of macro policies, continue to implement a proactive fiscal policy and a prudent monetary policy to strengthen its strategic scientific and technological capabilities, enhance the independence and controllability of the industrial chain and the supply chain, and insist on expanding domestic demand as the strategic basis. China will advance reform and opening up in an all-round way, solve the seed and farmland issues, strengthen anti-monopoly regulation and prevent disorderly capital expansion, defuse the prominent problems of housing in big cities, and perform well in carbon peak and carbon neutrality as a key task, so as to promote continuous recovery and high-quality development of the economy.

In terms of the regional economy, Sichuan government will consolidate and expand the results of pandemic prevention and control and economic and social development, better coordinate development and security, adhere to the working concepts of "stabilizing agriculture, strengthening industry, promoting consumption, expanding domestic demand, focusing on projects, emphasizing innovation, boosting circulation and improving quality", accelerate the construction of the Chengdu-Chongqing dual-city economic circle, further promote "one trunk with multiple branches, synergic development of five districts⁴ (一幹多支、五區協同)" and "expansion from four sides, opening to all fields⁵ (四向拓展、全局開放)", strengthen scientific and technological support, and expand high-level opening up, so as to maintain continuous and healthy economic develop and overall stable situation.

In terms of the prospect for industry development, in 2021, guided by accelerating the construction of a country with powerful transportation capability, we will speed up the establishment of a modern comprehensive transportation system, and serve as a good pioneer in building a new development pattern. On the basis of in-depth implementation of the Outline for Building a Country with Powerful Transportation Capability (《交通強國建設綱要》) and the Outline of the Plan for the National Comprehensive

"Expansion from four sides, opening to all fields": highlighting the south side, improving the east side, deepening the west side, and expanding the north side, advancing the opening road construction with the focus on the three-dimensional transportation, building the high-level opening platform and forming the new situation of three-dimensional and overall opening up.

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⁴ "One trunk with multiple branches, synergic development of five districts": "one trunk" refers to supporting to accelerate the construction of Chengdu into a national central city that fully embodies the new development concept, and giving full play to its leading and radiating role; "multiple branches" refers to creating distinctive regional economic sectors, promoting the competitive development of the economic circle surrounding Chengdu, the South Sichuan Economic Zone, the Northeast Sichuan Economic Zone and the West Panzhihua Economic Zone, and forming a situation in which the regional development of Sichuan is supported by multiple fulcrums; "synergic development of five districts" refers to strengthening overall planning to promote the synergic development of the Chengdu Plain Economic Zone (including Chengdu and the economic circle surrounding Chengdu), the South Sichuan Ecological Demonstration Zone, the Synergic development of Chengdu and the economic circle surrounding Chengdu, the synergic development of the "three prefectures" and the mainland, and the synergic development of cities (prefectures) in the region.

Three-dimensional Transportation Network (《國家綜合立體交通網規劃綱要》), we will advance the issuance of the "14th Five-Year Plan" Comprehensive Transportation Development Plan (《"十四五"綜合交通運輸發展 規劃》) so as to proceed with the tasks of construction of a country with powerful transportation capability and a national comprehensive three-dimensional transportation network. We will effectively implement the pilot projects for building a country with powerful transportation capability, promote the construction of a number of expansion and renovation projects for road sections to be connected and congested road sections of expressways and ordinary national highways, accelerate the improvement of transportation infrastructure network, further promote the "toilet revolution", build 300 "driver's homes", optimize and improve the technical support, complaint handling, smooth traffic and network security management and other mechanisms of the national expressway network toll collection system, and launch special actions for ETC service enhancement to improve the level of transportation services. In the future, the government of Sichuan Province will speed up its construction into a province with powerful transportation capability, coordinate and advance the "remedying shortcomings in infrastructure, improving quality and efficiency in transportation services, and seeking breakthroughs in reform and innovation", optimize and improve the comprehensive transportation planning system, promote high-quality pilot projects for building a country with powerful transportation capability, start the construction of cities and counties with powerful transportation capability, accelerate the development of transportation in the Chengdu-Chongqing dual-city economic circle, and actively promote the transformation and upgrading of transportation services.

In terms of the Company's development, as the only A+H share listed company in expressway infrastructure construction in Sichuan Province, the Company has a significant influence and also plays an important role in the investment, construction and operation of expressways in Sichuan. By virtue of its high-quality road assets and strong operation capability, the Company enjoys a strong position in the regional market. Based on an objective analysis of its own advantages and the economic situation and industry environment in 2021, the Company is currently facing a series of key problems in operation and development such as difficulties in maintaining the high level of income for a long time, the rapid increase in financing demand and the need for optimization of the business layout. In 2021, while adhering to the general principle of "seeking progress while maintaining stability", we will continue to work hard in the spirit of pragmatic innovation, strive to overcome difficulties, consolidate main business, stabilize diversified business, strengthen capabilities, increase security, prevent risks and improve momentum, striving for a better start for the "14th Five-Year Plan".

Firstly, striving to promote key transportation projects to constantly expand main business advantages. The Company will focus on its main business, make use of the traffic advantages and incremental space of the roads under its management, and continuously enhance its core business profitability and market competitiveness. Secondly, steadily developing relevant diversified projects to effectively play a supporting role. To expand the business, the Company will strive to accelerate relevant diversified development and innovation, enhance the overall market competitiveness and the ability to benefit the main business in return. Thirdly, deeply strengthening the basic management ability to improve the operational efficiency. The Company will deepen its internal strength, promote high-quality development, and enhance its ability to create efficiency, reduce cost and increase efficiency and improve financial efficiency. Fourthly, coordinating safety and environmental protection with pandemic prevention and control to boost the healthy development of the enterprises. The Company will build a strong barrier, unremittingly strengthen pandemic prevention and control measures, continue to strengthen the establishment of emergency system and environmental protection system, and consistently improve the level of safety management. Fifthly, preventing and resolving risks in an all-around way to maintain a stable and positive development momentum. The Company will strengthen risk control, continue to improve the risk control system, and effectively implement the risk control system to resolve the stock risks and prevent the incremental risks from multiple dimensions and multiple layers. Sixthly, comprehensively strengthening the corporate governance to make concerted efforts for continuous development. The Company will stimulate the vitality, continue to improve the corporate governance system, enhance the level of corporate governance, strengthen the construction of corporate culture and clean governance, and make joint efforts to promote corporate development.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to all investors, clients, business partners and the public for their support and trust, and my sincere appreciation to our Directors, Supervisors, management and staff for their hard work over the past year.

Gan Yongvi Chairman

Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC 30 March 2021

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS



BUSINESS REVIEW AND ANALYSIS

(i) Results overview

The Group is principally engaged in the investment, construction, operation and management of expressway infrastructure projects, and carries out diversified operations which are highly relevant to our principal business. In 2020, due to the impact of the temporary toll-free policy factor and the economic environment factor resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Group's operating results have been subject to various difficulties. The increase of toll revenue and related diversified businesses saw a severe challenge. However, in virtue of wholehearted solidarity of and brave endeavors and accurate implementation of policies by employees at all levels, the Group comprehensively built-up budget management and cost control, strived to improve our operation and management, accelerated the construction of key projects, and actively responded to various adverse impact of the pandemic. While strictly implementing the toll-free policy and helping the social and economic recovery, we accelerated the development of the main business back to the normal track to ensure the steady recovery of major performance indicators.

The net revenue of the Group amounted to approximately RMB8,198,610,000 this year, representing an increase of approximately 5.02% year-on-year. In particular, the toll roads and bridges segment achieved net income of approximately RMB3,007,666,000, representing a year-on-year decrease of approximately 22.87%; the financial investment segment achieved net income of approximately 22.87%; the financial investment segment achieved net income of approximately 26.73%; the city operation segment achieved net income of approximately RMB186,695,000, representing a year-on-year increase of approximately 26.73%; the city operation segment achieved net income of approximately RMB3,545,098,000, representing a year-on-year increase of approximately 78.38%; the energy investment segment achieved net income of approximately RMB1,459,151,000, representing a year-on-year decrease of approximately 17.68%. The profit attributable to the owners of the Company was approximately RMB674,809,000, representing a decrease of 37.87% year-on-year. Basic earnings per Share were approximately RMB0.221 (2019: approximately RMB0.355). As at 31 December 2020, the Group's total assets amounted to approximately RMB40,404,381,000 and net assets amounted to approximately RMB16,533,681,000.

| | Income for 2020 (after deduction of turnover tax) <i>(RMB '000)</i> | Year-on-year increase/ (decrease) in income for 2020 (%) | Profit/(loss) for 2020 <i>(RMB '000)</i> | Year-on-year increase/ (decrease) in profit/(loss) for 2020 (%) |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| Chengyu Branch ^(Note 1, 2) | 692,154 | (26.42) | 208,692 | (29.89) |
| Chengya Branch (Note 1, 2) | 797,120 | (17.18) | 293,128 | (21.43) |
| Chengren Branch (Note1, 2) | 770,247 | (24.57) | 246,026 | (37.45) |
| Chengle Branch (Note 3) | 378,207 | (23.89) | 151,283 | (41.44) |
| Chengbei Branch (Note 4) | 87,142 | (18.72) | 33,049 | 6,383.08 |
| Suiguang-Suixi Company (Note 5) | 282,796 | (23.77) | (387,220) | 13.70 |
| Shunan Company (Note 6) | 3,322 | 4,540.95 | (49,207) | 36.96 |
| Renshou Shunan Company (Note 7) | 2,421 | (83.47) | 45,406 | (30.50) |
| Shunan Chengxing Company (Note 8) | 10,439 | (96.05) | 39,296 | (7.37) |
| Shuhong Company (Note 9) | 22,672 | (31.22) | (9,656) | (55.15) |
| Shuxia Company | 58,509 | (21.10) | 12,229 | (42.64) |
| Chengyu Advertising Company (Note 10) | 2,733 | (58.51) | (1,262) | 4,251.72 |
| Chengyu Logistics Company | - | N/A | - | N/A |
| Chengyu Education Company (Note 11) | - | N/A | 2,345 | 192.83 |
| Multimodal Transport Company (Note 12) | 41,543 | (79.77) | 15,147 | 259.07 |
| Commercial Factoring Company (Note 13) | 17,610 | 342.47 | (44,076) | (2,055.46) |
| Shuhai Company ^(Note 14) | - | N/A | (4,674) | (151.96) |
| Chengya Oil Company | 502,975 | 0.15 | 48,179 | 1.06 |
| Zhonglu Energy Company | 958,570 | (24.70) | 41,146 | (0.42) |
| Renshou Landmark Company (Note 15) | 462,788 | 1,356.21 | 9,791 | 114.63 |
| Chengyu Financial Leasing Company | 169,261 | 18.03 | 50,470 | 13.25 |
| Chengqiongya Company | - | - | - | - |

During the Reporting Period, the income and profit of the major subsidiaries are as follows:

Note 1: When calculating the profits of Chengyu Branch, Chengya Branch and Chengren Branch, the impact of income tax (15%) was taken into account.

Note 2: Chengyu Branch, Chengya Branch and Chengren Branch recorded a decrease of 26.42%, 17.18% and 24.57%, respectively, in the income for the year as compared with that of last year, and recorded a decrease of 29.89%, 21.43% and 37.45%, respectively, in the profit for the year as compared with that of last year, which was mainly due to: (1) the toll-free policy for the first-class passenger cars and buses during the Spring Festival holiday was extended to 24:00 on 8 February 2020 according to the Notice on the Extension of the Toll Period for Small Passenger Cars during the Spring Festival Holiday of 2020 (《關於延長2020 年春節假期小 型客車通行費時段的通知》) and the Notice on the Extension of the Toll-free Period for Small Passenger Cars on Toll Roads during the Spring Festival Holiday (《關於延長春節假期收費公路免收小型客車通行費時段的通 知》) issued by the Ministry of Transport; (2) according to the Notice on Toll Free for Vehicles on Toll Roads during the Prevention and Control Period of Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia Pandemic issued by the Ministry of Transport (《關於新冠肺炎疫情防控期間免收收費公路車輛通行費的通知》), all vehicles passing toll roads according to law are exempt from tolls from 00:00 on 17 February 2020 to the end of the pandemic prevention and control work. On April 28, the Ministry of Transport issued the Announcement on the Resumption of Toll Road Tolls (《關於恢復收費公路收費的公告》), in which it was declared that toll collection of toll roads approved by law will resume, starting from 0:00 on 6 May 2020 (including toll bridges and tunnels). The policies on COVID-19 pandemic resulted in a year-on-year decrease in the income and profit of Chengyu Branch, Chengya Branch and Chengren Branch.

- *Note 3:* Chengle Expressway recorded a decrease of RMB107,047,000 or 41.44% in the profit for the year as compared with that of last year, mainly due to the decrease in toll income and profit of Chengle Expressway resulting from the impact of the pandemic.
- *Note 4:* Chengbei Expressway recorded a decrease of RMB20,064,000 or 18.72% in the toll income (after deduction of turnover taxes) for the year as compared with that of last year due to the impact of the pandemic. However, due to expenses for the road surface renovation project and Qinglongchang Viaduct Pavement Improvement Project in the previous year, the related expenditures for this year decreased, resulting in an increase in profit of RMB33,575,000 over the previous year.
- *Note 5:* Suiguang-Suixi Company recorded a year-on-year decrease of RMB88,188,000 or 23.77% in the toll income (after deduction of turnover taxes), and an increase of RMB46,647,000 in the losses for the year as compared with that of last year due to the impact of the pandemic.
- *Note 6:* Shunan Company recorded an increase of 4,540.95% in the income for the year as compared with that of last year, which was mainly due to the increase in the income of relevant output value recognized by the projects of the year, but the increase of 36.96% in the losses as compared with that of last year attributed to the decrease in the profit from fund interests and fund occupation for the year.
- *Note 7:* Renshou Shunan Company recorded a decrease of 83.47% in the income for the year as compared with that of last year, which was mainly due to the decrease in the calculation basis of investment profit as a result of the successive payment collection of the audited projects, and the corresponding decrease in the recognized income.
- *Note 8:* Shunan Chengxing Company recorded a decrease of 96.05% in the income for the year as compared with that of last year, which was mainly due to the decrease in the income for the current period as most of the BT projects had been completed for auditing and the output value recorded a decrease.
- *Note 9:* Shuhong Company recorded a loss of RMB9,656,000 for the year, representing a loss of 55.15% as compared with that of last year, which was mainly due to the recognition of related output value profit of certain projects and cost control of the projects.
- *Note 10:* Chengyu Advertising Company recorded a decrease of 58.51% in the income for the year as compared with that of last year, and an increase of 4,251.72% in the loss as compared with that of last year, which was mainly due to (1) the remove of part of high-quality media facilities alongside Chengyu Expressway; (2) the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on the operation of advertising business.
- Note 11: Chengyu Education Company recorded an increase of RMB4,871,000 in the profit for the year, mainly due to the increase in the interest income.
- *Note 12:* Multimodal Transport Company recorded a decrease of 79.77% in the income for the year as compared with that of last year, mainly due to the decrease in the income from commercial trade business, but an increase of 259.07% in the profit for the year as compared with that of last year as a result of the reversal of expected credit losses.
- *Note 13:* Commercial Factoring Company recorded an increase of 342.47% in the income for the year, mainly due to the significant increase in the factoring loan scale, but an increase of RMB46,330,000 for the year as a result of the provision of impairment on the expected credit losses.
- *Note 14:* Shuhai Company recorded a decrease of RMB13,670,000 in the profit for the year as compared with that of last year, mainly due to the decrease in investment income recognized for the year.
- *Note 15:* Renshou Landmark Company recorded an increase of 1,356.21% in the sales income for the year and an increase of RMB76,720,000 in the profit for the year due to the delivery of certain residential units of Land A of Beichengshidai (Phase II).

(ii) Operation conditions of the toll roads and bridges segment of the Group

During the Reporting Period, the operation conditions of the expressways under the Group were as follows:

| | Average daily traffic flow (vehicles) | | | Toll income (before revenue taxes) (RMB'000) | | | |
|--------------------------|--|--------|--------|---|---------|-----------|-------------------------|
| ltem | Shareholding percentage | 2020 | 2019 | Increase/ (decrease) | 2020 | 2019 | Increase/ (decrease) |
| item | (%) | 2020 | 2013 | (ucciease) (%) | 2020 | 2013 | (ucciedse) (%) |
| Chengyu Expressway | 100 | 25,427 | 23,311 | 9.08 | 695,071 | 944,238 | (26.39) |
| Chengya Expressway | 100 | 50,274 | 40,767 | 23.32 | 800,341 | 966,357 | (17.18) |
| Chengren Expressway | 100 | 46,244 | 41,170 | 12.32 | 773,533 | 1,024,965 | (24.53) |
| Chengle Expressway | 100 | 31,242 | 25,551 | 22.27 | 380,452 | 498,832 | (23.73) |
| Chengbei Exit Expressway | | | | | | | |
| (including Qinglongchang | | | | | | | |
| Bridge) | 60 | 58,869 | 50,566 | 16.42 | 87,664 | 107,917 | (18.77) |
| Suiguang Expressway | 100 | 6,719 | 6,208 | 8.23 | 180,743 | 217,517 | (16.91) |
| Suixi Expressway | 100 | 3,030 | 2,958 | 2.43 | 103,213 | 154,873 | (33.36) |

Notes:

1. Average daily traffic flow for the period excludes traffic flow which is toll-free during the pandemic, shall be the calculated data from 6 May 2020 to 31 December 2020.

 Average daily traffic flow for the corresponding period in 2019 shall be the calculated data from 1 May 2019 to 31 December 2019.

In 2020, the toll income (before deduction of turnover taxes) of the Group was approximately RMB3,021,017,000, representing a decrease of approximately 22.83% as compared with last year. The percentage of the toll income to the Group's operating revenue from main business (after deduction of turnover taxes) was approximately 36.69%, representing a decrease of approximately 13.26% when compared with 49.95% last year. During the Reporting Period, the following factors constituted combined effects on the operating performance of the Group's business of expressways:

(1) Economic factors

In 2020, in respond to the severe and complicated domestic and international environment, especially the huge impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and by following the underlying principle of making progress while maintaining stability nationwide. China coordinated the pandemic prevention and control as well as the economic and social development, so that the stability of economic operation resumed, the employment and people's livelihood was safeguarded and the major goals and missions of economic and social development were accomplished better than expected. The gross domestic product (GDP) for the whole year was RMB101,598.6 billion, representing a year-on-year increase of 2.3% based on the comparable prices. In terms of guarters, the GDP in the first guarter represented a year-on-year decrease of 6.8%, the GDP in the second guarter represented a year-on-year increase of 3.2%, the GDP in the third quarter represented a year-on-year increase of 4.9%, and the GDP in the fourth quarter represented a year-on-year increase of 6.5%¹. As the works of pandemic prevention and control as well as the economic and social development in Sichuan Province were coordinated and advanced, the provincial economy continued to pick up and made progress in stability, the major goals for the year were successfully accomplished. In 2020, Sichuan Province achieved a regional GDP of RMB4,859,880 million, representing an increase of 3.8% as compared to last year. In terms of quarters, the GDP in the first quarter represented a year-on-year decrease of 3.0%, the GDP in the first half of the year increased by 0.6%, reversing the negative growth to positive one, the GDP in the first third quarter increased by 2.4%, and the GDP for the year increased by 3.8%², demonstrating a sound trend of the continuous stability of economic resumption and the greater resilience of economic development. The economy, which started with a decline and continued to recover, has driven the resumption of transportation economy. Since the second guarter, the traffic flow on substantial toll expressways under the Group have gradually recovered to normal standard.

Source: Preliminary results released by the Sichuan Provincial Bureau of Statistics



Source: Preliminary results released by the National Bureau of Statistics of China

(2) Policy factors

The following policy documents on expressway operations issued or implemented in 2020 will likely affect the operational performance of the expressways of the Group.

- According to the requirements of the Notice on Deepening the Reform of the Toll Road System on Cancellation of Toll Stations on the Provincial Boundaries of Expressways (關於深化收費公路制度改革取消高速公路省界收費站的通知) issued by the Office of the People's Government of Sichuan Province, Sichuan Province has canceled all 19 provincial expressway toll stations in the province at 00:00 on 1 January 2020, and achieved grid-connected of toll system.
- At the beginning of 2020, a relatively serious novel coronavirus pandemic occurred in China and in many countries around the world, which had a significant impact on people's lives and health and the socio-economic development. Since the outbreak of the pandemic, people's willingness to travel has been reduced, and the resumption of work and production by enterprises has been delayed, which has resulted in the suspension of a large number of passenger flights and lines and a sharp decline in road traffic. In order to guarantee the pandemic prevention and control work and support the resumption of work and production for enterprises, the toll-free policy for the first-class passenger cars and buses during the Spring Festival holiday was extended to 24:00 on 8 February 2020 according to the Notice on the Extension of the Toll Period for Small Passenger Cars during the Spring Festival Holiday of 2020 (《關於延長2020年春節假期小型客車通行費時段的通知》) and the Notice on the Extension of the Toll-free Period for Small Passenger Cars on Toll Roads during the Spring Festival Holiday (《關於延長春節假期收費公路免收小型客車通行 費時段的通知》) issued by the Ministry of Transport. According to the Notice on Toll Free for Vehicles on Toll Roads during the Prevention and Control Period of Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia Pandemic issued by the Ministry of Transport (《關於新冠肺炎疫情防控期間免收收費公路車輛通行費的通知》), all vehicles passing toll roads according to law are exempt from tolls. Collect tolls from 00:00 on 17 February 2020 to the end of the pandemic prevention and control work. On April 28, the Ministry of Transport issued the Announcement on the Resumption of Toll Road Tolls (《關於恢復收費公路收費的公告》), in which it was declared that toll collection of toll roads approved by law will be resumed, starting from 0:00 on 6 May 2020 (including toll bridges and tunnels).



- According to the Notice on Adjusting the Vehicle Tolls Charging Method and Standard for Operating Expressway in Our Province (關於調整我省經營性高 速公路車輛通行費計費方式和收費標準的通知) issued by the Department of Transportation of Sichuan Province, the Development and Reform Commission of Sichuan Province, the adjusted vehicle tolls charging method and standard for expressway will be implemented from 1 January 2020. The main contents are as follows:
 - 1. The charging method of expressway tolls was adjusted from a closed model to an open section fares system, which would be calculated based on the actual driving road of a vehicle;
 - 2. The vehicle type classification of expressway toll is strictly executed in accordance with the industry standard "Vehicle Type Classification of Toll Highway Vehicle Toll" (JT/T489-2019). The relevant adjustment information of vehicle type classification is shown as follows:

| Vehicle | Passenger vehicles | | T () | Goods vehicles | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| type Toll classification | Before adjustment | Upon adjustment | Total amount of axles | Before adjustment | Upon adjustment | | |
| Туре 1 | 7 seats or below | 9 seats or below | 2 axles | 2 tons or below | Car length is under 6 meters and the total mass of it can undertake is under 4.5 tons | | |
| Туре 2 | Between 8 seats and 19 seats | Between 10 seats and 19 seats | | Between 2 tons to 5 tons (including 5 | Car length is over or equal to 6 meters or the total mass it can undertake is over or | | |
| | | Passenger/ car trailer combination | | tons) | equal to 4.5 tons | | |
| Туре 3 | / | 39 seats or below | 3 axles | 1 | 1 | | |
| Туре 4 | 1 | 40 seats or above | 4 axles | 1 | 1 | | |
| Type 5 | / | / | 5 axles | / | 1 | | |
| Туре 6 | / | / | 6 axles | / | 1 | | |

3. Passenger cars shall be charged according to different types of vehicles, and the standard of base toll shall be implemented in accordance with the standards approved by the Department of Transportation of Sichuan Province, the Development and Reform Commission of Sichuan Province; Goods cars will be charged by different types of vehicles instead of by weight, and the charging rate will be implemented in accordance with the Adjustment Plan for Goods Vehicles Toll Charging Modes of Sichuan Toll Expressways (四川省已收費高速公路貨車通行費計費方式調 整方案), pursuant to which, the standards of charging rate of each of the expressway under the Group are as follows:

| Number | Name of road section | Toll classification | Chargir | ıg rate star | ndards for g | joods vehi | cles (RMB/ | car. Km) |
|--------|-----------------------------|---|---------|--------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|
| | | | Type 1 | Type 2 | Type 3 | Type 4 | Type 5 | Type 6 |
| 1 | Chengya Expressway | Basic toll | 0.37 | 0.64 | 1.12 | 1.57 | 1.68 | 2.03 |
| 2 | Chengle Expressway | Basic toll | 0.38 | 0.65 | 1.15 | 1.63 | 1.74 | 1.93 |
| 3 | Chengyu Expressway | Basic toll | 0.38 | 0.66 | 1.17 | 1.7 | 1.81 | 2.08 |
| | | Additional payment for bridge and tunnel | 2.63 | 4.89 | 8.71 | 12.58 | 13.63 | 15.15 |
| 4 | Chengren Expressway | Basic toll | 0.38 | 0.66 | 1.17 | 1.68 | 1.79 | 2.11 |
| | | Additional payment for bridge and tunnel | 2.98 | 5.04 | 8.99 | 12.92 | 14 | 16.46 |
| 5 | Chengbei Exit Expressway | Basic toll | 0.39 | 0.54 | 1.19 | 1.42 | 1.63 | 1.92 |
| 6 | Suiguang Expressway | Basic toll | 0.37 | 0.66 | 1.18 | 1.65 | 1.87 | 2.2 |
| 7 | Suixi Expressway | Basic toll | 0.39 | 0.69 | 1.26 | 1.74 | 1.85 | 2.21 |

(3) Regional development factors

The construction of Chengdu-Chongqing economic circle in Chengdu-Chongqing region, "Chengdu-Deyang-Meishan-Ziyang" integrated urban development deployment in Sichuan Province and "advance the east, expand the south" strategy and "four towns and one park" development in Chengdu drove the local economic development and promoted the growth of the traffic flow of expressways such as Chengyu Expressway and Chengren Expressway. The infrastructure in the Tianfu New District has gradually established well and the construction of Xinglong Lake has developed rapidly, the mobile population in such area has been increasing, which has promoted the growth in traffic flow of Chengren Expressway, especially in the growth of truck flow. Meanwhile, the construction of Tianfu New District, Shigao Economic Development Zone and Huantianfu New District Expressway Route along the Chengren Expressway has also brought certain truck flow; the rich tourism resources in Sichuan Province drive Suiguang-Suixi, Chengya Expressways to keep high increase in truck flow.

(4) Factors in road network changes and road construction

Peripheral competitive or synergistic road network changes and road refurbishment brought varying degrees of positive or negative impacts on the Group's expressways. During the Reporting Period, some of the Group's expressways were affected to varying degrees by these factors:

Chengyu Expressway: Jianyang Toll Station was closed for construction from 16 July 2019 and was officially opened to traffic on 13 January 2020; Ziyang Toll Station was closed completely from 30 August 2019 and opened to traffic on 13 January 2020 after its relocation was completed; the south side of the Shizigiao Hub of the Ring Expressway was closed for construction from 27 March 2020 and its north side was closed for construction from 31 July due to the construction of the "east-west thoroughfare" project in Chengdu; Chengziyu Expressway was officially opened on 31 December 2020, which had a certain impact on the traffic volume of Chengyu Expressway. According to the Notice on Standardizing the Toll Collection for the Initial Section of Expressway Around the City" (Sichuan Jiao Han [2020] No. 203) (《關於 規範城市週邊高速公路起始路段收費工作的通知》(川交函[2020]203號)), the toll of the expressways should be charged by the method of the shortest sharing mileage The clean-up and standardization work for Chengyu Expressway was completed before 30 April 2020, and the toll mileage was shortened by 2.75 km; and according to the reply on Approval of Adjustment to Toll Charge Mileage and Charge Section of Chengyu Expressway (Sichuan Jiao Han [2020] No. 583) (《關於成渝高速公路調整收費里程及收 費區間的批覆》(川交函[2020]583號)) issued by the Department of Transportation of Sichuan Province and the Development and Reform Commission of Sichuan Province, the section from the original start point of Chengyu Expressway to the 19 km of Longquan Section would no longer set toll station and the toll charge mileage would be adjusted after the official opening of the new toll station. As of 1 February 2021, the toll station on the new main line of Chengdu-Longquan of Chengyu Expressway was officially opened and the toll charge mileage of Chengyu Expressway was adjusted from 226 km to 207 km. The toll charge for the reduced 19 kilometers of the expressway will be paid by Chengdu Municipal Government by way of service purchase; the amount of the unified payment is RMB40 million per annum; the term for the unified payment shall commence at 00:00 on the day on which the toll station on the main line in Chengdu is completed and put into operation and end on the expiry date of the approval of the toll charge for the section from the starting point of Chengdu-Chongging Expressway to 19 kilometers of Longguan Section.

Chengle Expressway: On 28 January 2020, Lejia Road, which connects Leshan Shawan, Suji and Jiajiang, was completed and opened to traffic, resulting in a certain decrease in vehicle flow of Chengle Expressway. From 7 May 2020 to 17 May 2020, the section from Jiajiang to Guanyin of Chengle Expressway was half-opening for construction. From 18 May to 31 May, steel box girder crane construction was carried out on the Meishan pilot section, and the entrance and exit to Lecheng of Pengshan Station was closed. On 20 September, the connection of Leshan north toll station and Mianzhu was completed and recovered for traffic; on 2 November, the new Pengshan toll station and connection were officially opened; from 13 October to 5 November, the section from Chengle Expressway K116 to K119 Lecheng direction was closed, thus, the vehicles were bi-directionally passed on one-way traffic in the opposite direction; from 1 December, Guanyintan Station was closed forever. The above events had a certain impact on the traffic volume and toll income of Chengle Expressway.

Chengya Expressway: On 1 April 2019, Ya'andong Station (Jinjiguan) of Chengya Expressway was closed for construction and was officially opened on 5 February 2021; the implementation of winter control from 1 December 2019 to 28 February 2020 of Yakang Expressway had a certain impact on the vehicle flow of Chengya Expressway.

(iii) Major financing and investment projects of the Group

(1) Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project

On 30 October 2017, the Company convened an extraordinary general meeting, considered and approved the resolutions on investing in the expansion construction project of Chengle Expressway and related matters. According to the reply on approval of the project from the Sichuan Provincial Development and Reform Commission, the total mileage of the project was 138.41km, and the project's estimated total investment was about RMB23.133 billion. While according to the reply on approval of the project from Transportation Department, the total mileage of the project was 130km, and the project's estimated total investment was about RMB22.16 billion. After the completion of the project, it will help ease the traffic pressure on Chengle Expressway, and improve the overall traffic capacity and service level of the Chengle Expressway. On 27 November 2019, the pilot section project for Chengle Expressway expansion completed its established tasks and opened to traffic in twoways; On 18 December 2019, the new Qinglong Toll Station of Chengle Expressway officially opened to traffic. From the date of construction commencement to 31 December 2020, the cumulative investment amount of Chengle Expressway expansion construction project was about RMB5.007 billion.

(2) Chengbei New City Real Estate Project in Renshou County

On 30 January 2013, the general manager's office meeting of the Company considered and approved the proposal in relation to bidding for 3 state-owned construction land use rights at Chengbei New City, Renshou County, Meishan City, Sichuan Province to invest and develop real estate project. On 22 February 2013, the Company won the bid for the land use rights of such land, involving a land area of 235,558.10 square meters, and the transaction price was RMB920,160,000. In May of the same year, Renshou Landmark Company was established, fully responsible for the development and construction of Renshou County Chengbei New City Real Estate Project. On 15 May 2014, Renshou Landmark Company once again won 5 state-owned construction land use rights at Chengbei New City, involving a land area of approximately 194,810.52 square meters, and the transaction price was RMB787,100,000.



At present, the sale and delivery of the real estate project, namely, Beichengshidai (Phase I) has substantially completed, and the accumulative sales revenue of Phase I amounted to approximately RMB531,189,000 as of 31 December 2020; for the Beichengshidai (Phase II), the Land A project construction is steadily pressed ahead and solid sales is achieved, Land C starts to sell, and Land B has begun pre-bidding, in which, the B1 bidding section has obtained the construction permit on 22 September 2020 and has begun the development and construction. During the Reporting Period, Land A, C (both in Phase II) realized RMB604 million of sales collection, in which, the sales revenue recognised by Land A amounted to RMB476 million.

| Name of project | Location | Commencement time | Construction progress | Completion time | Usage | Site area and floor area | Percentage as owned by the Group |
|--|---|----------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Beichengshidai (Phase I) | Central Business Avenue, Wenlin Town, Renshou County | 31 October 2014 | Completed | December 2017 | Residential, commercial and parking lots | Site area: 34,167.31 square meters; Construction area: 195,883.43 square meters | 91% |
| Land A of Beichengshidai (Phase II) | Central Business Avenue, Wenlin Town, Renshou County | 18 May 2018 | Completed | December 2020 | Residential, commercial and parking lots | Site area: 64,882.22 square meters; Construction area: 289,276.7 square meters | 91% |
| Land C of Beichengshidai (Phase II) | Central Business Avenue, Wenlin Town, Renshou County | 24 June 2019 | 49.34% | Expected to be completed in December 2021 | commercial and | Site area: 34,381.58 square meters; Construction area: 180,780.32 square meters | 91% |
| Land B1 of Beichengshidai (Phase II) | Central Business Avenue, Wenlin Town, Renshou County | 30 September 2020 | 43.01% | Expected to be completed in October 2020 | commercial and | Site area: 50,020.34 square meters; Construction area: 111,856.06 square meters | 91% |

(3) Tianqiong Expressway BOT Project

On 30 October 2019, the resolution in relation to the investment in the project of Chengdu Tianfu New Area to Qionglai Expressway was considered and approved by the Board of the Company. The consortium established by the Company and Road & Bridge International Co., Ltd. ("Road & Bridge International") participated in bidding for the project of Tianfu New Area to Qionglai Expressway and won the tender. The total length of the project is approximately 42 kilometers with an estimated total investment amount of approximately RMB8.685 billion.

On 4 March 2020, Sichuan Chengqiongya Expressway Company Limited ("Chengqiongya Company") was established in Qionglai of Sichuan Province as a project company to take charge of the investment, construction and operation of Tianqiong Expressway, with the registered capital of approximately RMB1.737 billion, of which the Company contributed RMB1.42434 billion. From the commencement date of construction to 31 December 2020, an accumulated investment of approximately RMB834 million had been invested in the Tianqiong Expressway Project.

(4) Tourism Road Project at Dachuan River Scenic Area in Lushan County

On 29 December 2020, the consortium comprised of Shunan Company, as the leader, and Sichuan Province Commercial Construction Co., Ltd. (四川省商業建設有限公司) won the bid for the Tourism Road Project at Dachuan River Scenic Area in Lushan County.

The Tourism Road Project at Dachuan River Scenic Area in Lushan County is located within Lushan County, Ya'an City and Qionglai City, Sichuan Province. The project includes the construction of a road with a length of 25.43 km and a sand plant, which will be operated in models of construction – transfer (for the road project) and construction – operation – transfer (for the sand plant). The total investment for the project amounted to RMB760 million, among which, the investment for the construction of the sand plant amounted to RMB720 million and the investment for the project is expected to be 8 years.

(5) Termination of Featured Vocational and Technical Education Project in Qionglai City

On 24 July 2019, Chengyu Education Company entered into the Letter of Investment Intent on the Featured Vocational and Technical School Project with the People's Government of Qionglai City, Sichuan Province, pursuant to which it was proposed to invest into and develop a featured vocational and technical school project in Qionglai City, Sichuan Province. In view of the great changes in the market environment since 2020, after taking into consideration various relevant factors carefully, the Company decided to terminate the external investment, so as to safeguard the interests of the listed company and the Shareholders as a whole. With agreement reached between Chengyu Education Company and the People's Government of Qionglai City through negotiation, a cancellation agreement was entered into on 8 February 2021 to terminate the investment for the featured vocational and technical school project in Qionglai City.

(6) Lushan Tourism Highway Project

On 4 March 2021, the consortium comprised of Shunan Company, as the leader, and Communications Construction Company (交通建設公司) successfully won the bid for the PPP Project of the construction of tourism road from Longmen, Lushan County to Baosheng to Dachuan.

Lushan Tourism Highway Project in Lushan County is located within Lushan County, Ya'an City and Qionglai City, Sichuan Province. The construction mileage of the project is 8.3 km with an estimated total investment of approximately RMB390 million. The model of BOT (build – operation – transfer) would be adopted for the project.

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II. FINANCIAL REVIEW AND ANALYSIS

Summary of the Group's Operating Results

| | For the year ended 31 December | | |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------|--|
| | 2020 2 | | |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | |
| | | | |
| Revenue | 8,198,610 | 7,806,743 | |
| Including: Net toll roads and bridges income | 3,007,666 | 3,899,438 | |
| Net city operation revenue | 3,545,098 | 1,987,349 | |
| Net financial investment revenue | 186,695 | 147,321 | |
| Net energy investment revenue | 1,459,151 | 1,772,635 | |
| Profit before tax | 991,607 | 1,463,539 | |
| Profit attributable to owners of the Company | 674,809 | 1,086,131 | |
| | | | |
| Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company | | | |
| (RMB) | 0.221 | 0.355 | |

Summary of the Group's Financial Position

| | 31 December 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 31 December 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|---|---|
| Total assets Total liabilities Non-controlling interests Equity attributable to owners of the Company | 40,404,381 23,870,700 998,647 15,535,034 | 37,860,574 21,706,606 876,070 15,277,898 |
| Equity per share attributable to owners of the Company <i>(RMB)</i> | 5.080 | 4.996 |

ANALYSIS OF OPERATING RESULTS

Revenue

The Group's net revenue for the year amounted to RMB8,198,610,000 (2019: RMB7,806,743,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 5.02%, of which:

- (1) The net toll roads and bridges income was RMB3,007,666,000 (2019: RMB3,899,438,000), representing a year-on-year decrease of 22.87%, which was mainly due to: (1) the toll-free policy for the first-class passenger cars and buses during the Spring Festival holiday was extended to 24:00 on 8 February 2020 according to the Notice on the Extension of the Toll Period for Small Passenger Cars during the Spring Festival Holiday of 2020 (《關於延長2020 年春節假期小型客車通 行費時段的通知》) and the Notice on the Extension of the Toll-free Period for Small Passenger Cars on Toll Roads during the Spring Festival Holiday (《關於延長春節假期收費公路免收小型客車通行費時 段的通知》) issued by the Ministry of Transport; (2) according to the Notice on Toll Free for Vehicles on Toll Roads during the Prevention and Control Period of Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia Pandemic issued by the Ministry of Transport (《關於新冠肺炎疫情防控期間免收收費公路車輛通行費的通知》), all vehicles passing toll roads according to law are exempt from tolls from 00:00 on 17 February 2020 to the end of the pandemic prevention and control work. On April 28, the Ministry of Transport issued the Announcement on the Resumption of Toll Road Tolls (《關於恢復收費公路收費的公告》), in which it was declared that toll collection of toll roads approved by law will resume, starting from 0:00 on 6 May 2020 (including toll bridges and tunnels). As a result of the foregoing, the toll income (before deduction of turnover taxes) of Chengyu Expressway, Chengya Expressway, Chengren Expressway, Chengle Expressway, Chengbei Exit Expressway, Suiguang-Suixi Expressways decreased significantly in 2020 as compared with that for the same period of last year, representing a yearon-year decrease of 26.39%, 17.18%, 24.53%, 23.73%, 18.77%, 16.91%, 33.36%, respectively. Please refer to operating conditions of the toll roads and bridges segment of the Group in this announcement for details of the main factors affecting the toll income of the Group during the Reporting Period;
- (2) The net city operation revenue was RMB3,545,098,000 (2019: RMB1,987,349,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 78.38%, which was mainly due to that: (1) the construction contract revenue (before deduction of turnover taxes) in respect of service concession arrangements was RMB2,931,715,000 (2019: RMB1,348,375,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 117.43%, which was the construction contract revenue from the project for expansion construction of Chengle Expressway and Tiangiong Expressway BOT Project recognized under the input method; (2) construction contract revenue (before deduction of turnover taxes) in respect of construction works performed for third parties amounted to RMB29,986,000 (2019: RMB302,126,000), representing a year-on-year decrease of 90.08%, which was mainly due to the construction and acceptance of Ziyang Jiaozi Avenue project recognized under the input method was completed last year, and only a small part of the remaining relevant output value of which was recognized during the Period; (3) revenue generated from sales of industrial products was RMB41,543,000 (2019: RMB205,207,000), representing a year-on-year decrease of 79.76%, mainly due to the decrease in revenue from commercial trade business for the year; (4) revenue generated from property development was RMB462,788,000 (2019: RMB31,780,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 1,356.22%, mainly due to the delivery of some residential units on Land A of Beichengshidai (Phase II) for the year, and only the revenue from the rest commercial and parking lots of Phase I was recognised; (5) the revenue of other projects was RMB58,766,000 (2019: RMB67,557,000), representing a year-onyear decrease of 13.01%;

- (3) The net financial investment revenue was RMB186,695,000 (2019: RMB147,321,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 26.73%, which was mainly due to: (1) the increase in rental income resulting from the increase in the amount of financial leasing projects in the Period; (2) the increase in factoring business income in the Period as compared with that for the same period of last year;
- (4) The net energy investment revenue was RMB1,459,151,000 (2019: RMB1,772,635,000), representing a year-on-year decrease of 17.68%, which was mainly due to the combined effect of: (1) the significant impact on sales of naphtha and diesel oil as affected by the pandemic in the year; (2) the decrease in oil price resulting from the fluctuation of international oil price; (3) carrying out bulk trade business in the previous year but no revenue from bulk trade business for the year.

Other Income and Gains

The Group's other income and gains for the year amounted to RMB306,606,000 (2019: RMB269,107,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 13.93%. This was mainly due to the year-on-year increase of the government grants for the period by RMB46,454,000.

Operating Expenses

The Group's operating expenses for the year amounted to RMB6,887,437,000 (2019: RMB5,917,272,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 16.40%, of which:

- (1) During the year, construction contract cost recognized under the input method in respect of service concession arrangements was RMB2,931,715,000 (2019: RMB1,348,375,000), representing a year-on-year increase of 117.43%. This mainly included construction contract costs recognized for Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project and Tianqiong Expressway BOT Project;
- (2) During the year, construction contract costs recognized under the input method in respect of construction works amounted to RMB6,813,000 (2019: RMB237,825,000), representing a yearon-year decrease of 97.14%. This mainly included the completion and acceptance of Ziyang Jiaozi Avenue project recognised under the input method in the last year and only few part of costs left recognised for the year;
- (3) Depreciation and amortization expenses increased by 6.15% from RMB870,759,000 for the last year to RMB924,354,000 for the year, mainly attributable to amortization for service concession arrangements, depreciation of right-of-use assets and the increase in depreciation of property, plant and equipment;
- (4) The cost of sales of commodities was RMB1,245,582,000 (2019: RMB1,555,010,000), representing a decrease of 19.90% over the last year, which was mainly due to (1) the decrease in the sales of oil products and the corresponding decrease in the sales costs; and (2) the enhanced budget management and cost control during the year;
- (5) The cost of property sales was RMB363,539,000, representing an increase of 1,706.40% over the last year, which was mainly due to the recognition of cost of sales of commercial properties resulting from the delivery of some residential units on Land A of Beichengshidai Phase II this year;

- (6) Staff costs increased by 3.08% from RMB788,550,000 for last year to RMB812,852,000 for the year, mainly due to the increase in the housing fund defined contribution fund and supplementary pension scheme defined contribution fund for the year as impacted by the upward rebasing;
- (7) Repair and maintenance costs decreased by 62.89% from RMB506,909,000 for the last year to RMB188,092,000, mainly due to the decrease in the daily maintenance costs of the ancillary facilities of all expressways of the Group for the year as impacted by the pandemic;
- (8) The costs of finance lease was RMB85,015,000 (2019: RMB67,736,000), representing an increase of RMB17,279,000 over the last year, mainly due to the increase in borrowing interests as a result of the increase in the number of finance lease project placed;
- (9) Reversal of impairment loss on financial assets included in other receivables was RMB13,587,000, as compared to reversal of RMB26,847,000 for last year.

Finance Costs

The Group's finance costs for the year amounted to RMB802,554,000 (including: expensed interest expenses of RMB632,911,000), representing a decrease of 3.10% as compared with RMB828,244,000 (including: expensed interest expenses of RMB723,554,000) for the same period last year, mainly due to the decrease in borrowing interest rates as a result of the decrease in overall cost of the financing market as impacted by the pandemic.

Income Tax

The income tax expense of the Group for the year amounted to RMB257,710,000, representing a decrease of approximately 21.97% as compared with RMB330,250,000 for the year of 2019, mainly due to the change in profit.

Profit

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The Group's profit for the year amounted to RMB733,897,000, representing a decrease of approximately 35.26% as compared with RMB1,133,289,000 for the same period last year, of which the profit attributable to owners of the Company was RMB674,809,000, representing a decrease of 37.87% as compared to the same period last year. This was mainly due to:

- (1) During the year, due to the impact of the pandemic, the toll-free policy for the first-class passenger cars and buses during the Spring Festival holiday was extended to 24:00 on 8 February 2020; in addition, all vehicles passing toll roads according to law were exempt from tolls of toll expressways nationwide from 00:00 on 17 February to 24:00 on 5 May. Net toll income decreased by RMB891,772,000 as compared with the last year. Profit of the toll roads and bridges segment was approximately RMB732,036,000, representing a year-on-year decrease of approximately RMB576,778,000;
- (2) Profit of the city operation segment for the year amounted to approximately RMB188,190,000, representing an increase of approximately RMB37,046,000 as compared with the same period last year, which was mainly due to the recognition of the corresponding income and costs resulting from the delivery of some residential units of Beichengshidai Phase II (Land A) at the end of the year;

- (3) Profit of the financial investment segment for the year amounted to approximately RMB72,509,000, representing an increase of RMB27,932,000 as compared with the last year, which was mainly due to the increase in profit of segment in line with the growth in the scale of the new finance lease projects launched during the period;
- (4) Profit of the energy investment segment for the year amounted to approximately RMB157,365,000, representing an increase of approximately RMB6,891,000 as compared with the same period last year, mainly due to the enhanced budget management and cost control during the year.

ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Non-current Assets

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's non-current assets amounted to RMB31,104,316,000, representing an increase of RMB2,153,936,000 as compared with the end of 2019, mainly attributable to:

- An increase of RMB2,234,554,000 in service concession arrangements which included an increase of approximately RMB3,005,902,000 from Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project and Tianqiong Expressway BOT Project, and the provision for amortization of service concession arrangements of approximately RMB771,348,000;
- (2) An increase of RMB41,766,000 in right-of-use assets, mainly due to depreciation and amortization;
- (3) A decrease of RMB26,748,000 in investment in associates and joint ventures mainly due to (1) the decrease in the carrying amount due to the receipt of dividends of 2019 of RMB15,747,000 from the Airport Expressway during the period; (2) the decrease in the carrying amount after the recovery of cost and dividends in a total amount of RMB14,458,000 from Chengyu Development Fund during the period; (3) the increase in carrying amount due to the recognition of investment income in a total amount of RMB6,739,000 during the period; (4) the decrease in carrying amount as a result of the disposal of associates in a total amount of RMB3,282,000;
- (4) A decrease of RMB90,906,000 in financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, which was mainly due to the change of fair value of Sichuan Trust Investment Co., Ltd, Sichuan Transportation Construction Group Co., Ltd. and China Everbright Bank;
- (5) An increase of approximately RMB6,925,000 in restricted bank deposits, which were mostly security deposits for mortgage of real estate projects;
- (6) An increase of RMB110,333,000 in loans to customers;
- (7) A decrease of RMB9,657,000 in long term compensation receivables;
- (8) An increase of RMB3,957,000 in property, plant and equipment;
- (9) An increase of approximately RMB747,000 in contract cost.

Current Assets and Current Liabilities

As at 31 December 2020, the current assets of the Group amounted to RMB9,300,065,000 representing an increase of 4.38% as compared with the end of 2019, mainly attributable to:

- (1) An increase of RMB228,636,000 in the balance of cash and cash equivalents as compared with the end of 2019, mainly due to the increase in bank loans for the year;
- (2) An increase of approximately RMB83,009,000 in loan to customers due within one year compared with the end of 2019, mainly due to the increase in financial leasing funds receivable (recovery by instalment);
- (3) Trade and other receivables increased by RMB239,742,000 as compared to the end of 2019, mainly due to a decrease in trade receivables (including bills receivable) of RMB256,989,000, an increase in other receivables of RMB42,878,000 and a decrease in prepayment of RMB25,631,000;
- (4) An increase of approximately RMB383,457,000 in property under development and completed properties held as compared with the end of 2019, mainly due to an increase in the transfer of properties under construction;
- (5) An increase of approximately RMB14,852,000 in inventories as compared with the end of 2019, mainly due to a decrease in the pre-purchase for the year of oil products over the last year;
- (6) An increase of RMB7,802,000 in contract costs as compared with the end of 2019, mainly due to the reclassification of the capitalized portion of commission on sales of real estate projects;
- (7) A decrease of RMB73,439,000 in financial assets designated at fair value through current loss and profit as compared with the end of 2019, mainly due to the disposal of investment in shares of China Railway Signal & Communication Corporation Limited during the year.

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's current liabilities amounted to RMB8,934,593,000, representing an increase of 20.81% as compared with the end of 2019, mainly attributable to an increase of RMB67,119,000 in trade and other payables, an increase of RMB369,160,000 in contract liabilities; an increase of RMB18,949,000 in shareholders dividend payable; an increase of approximately RMB65,655,000 in tax payable; an increase of approximately RMB1,018,401,000 in interest-bearing bank and other loans, mainly due to the repayment of approximately RMB3,418,411,000 of short-term borrowings and long-term borrowings due within one year during the period; approximately RMB2,408,400,000 of new current loans, an increase in the reclassification of approximately RMB2,028,412,000 of interest-bearing bank and other loans reclassified as due within one year.

Non-current Liabilities

As at 31 December 2020, the non-current liabilities of the Group amounted to RMB14,936,107,000, representing an increase of 4.37% as compared with the end of 2019, which was principally attributable to an increase of approximately RMB689,957,000 in bank and other interest-bearing loans as compared with that of the end of last year. In particular, the increase in bank and other interest-bearing loans amounted to approximately RMB3,722,313,000, and the amount reclassified as current liabilities amounted to approximately RMB2,028,412,000 during the year, the early repayment of part of long-term borrowings amounted to RMB1,003,944,000 and the contract liabilities for the year amounted to approximately RMB238,080,000, representing an increase as compared with the same period last year, which was mainly due to reclassification of the advances received in real estate projects. The deferred income for the year increased by RMB176,580,000 as compared to the last year, mainly due to the receipt of subsidy for project of cancellation of expressway toll stations at provincial borders.

Equity

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's equity amounted to RMB16,533,681,000 representing an increase of 2.35% as compared with the end of 2019, mainly attributable to: (1) profit of RMB733,897,000 for the year, which increased the equity; (2) a decrease in equity of RMB76,590,000 due to the adjustment to the fair value of financial assets as a result of presenting changes in other comprehensive income; (3) the final dividend of 2019 paid in the year amounting to RMB36,387,000, which decreased the equity; (4) payment of dividends of RMB35,125,000 to non-controlling shareholders, which decreased the equity; (5) a decrease in capital surplus of RMB3,282,000 due to dilution of investments in associates, which decreased the equity; and (6) investment by non-controlling shareholders, which increased the carrying value of non-controlling interests of RMB97,200,000.

Capital Structure

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had total assets of RMB40,404,381,000 and total liabilities of RMB23,870,700,000. The gearing ratio, which was calculated as the Group's total liabilities divided by its total assets, was 59.08% (31 December 2019: 57.33%).

Cash Flow

As at 31 December 2020, the cash and bank balances of the Group amounted to RMB3,180,340,000, representing an increase of approximately RMB228,636,000 as compared with the end of 2019. It comprised approximately HKD155,000 (equivalent to approximately RMB131,000) deposits in Hong Kong dollars, and RMB3,180,209,000 cash and deposits in Renminbi.

During the year, net cash outflows from operating activities of the Group amounted to RMB564,341,000 (2019: net cash inflow of RMB607,204,000), representing a decrease of RMB1,171,545,000 in cash inflows compared with the last year, which was mainly because: profit before tax decreased by RMB471,932,000 as compared with the last year; the new service concession arrangements resulted in an increase of RMB1,583,340,000 in cash outflows for the period as compared with the last year; the increase in properties under development resulted in an increase of RMB820,451,000 in cash inflows for the year as compared with the last year; the increase in the properties held for sale resulted in a decrease of RMB831,844,000 in cash outflows compared with the last year; the increase in restricted deposits resulted in a decrease of RMB22,177,000 in cash outflows for the year; cash outflows from loans to customers decreased by RMB642,459,000 compared with the last year; the decrease in trade receivables and other receivables resulted in an increase of RMB1,304,325,000 in net cash inflows for the year compared with the last year; the increase in contract assets and contract costs resulted in an increase of RMB418,112,000 in the cash outflows for the year compared with the last year; the increase in contract liabilities resulted in a decrease of RMB903,194,000 in the net cash inflows for the year compared with the last year; the increase in trade payables and other payables resulted in a decrease of RMB98,137,000 in cash inflows for the year compared with the last year.

Net cash inflow used in investing activities of the Group amounted to RMB66,882,000 (2019: net inflow of RMB689,180,000), with a decrease in net cash inflow of RMB622,298,000 compared with the last year. It was mainly due to the decrease of RMB229,131,000 in cash outflow for the purchase of property, plant and equipment as compared with last year; the decrease of RMB140,642,000 in cash expenses arising from investments in joint ventures and associates as compared with 2019; the increase of RMB70,033,000 in cash inflow for the recovery of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as compared with the last year; the decrease of RMB39,802,000 in cash outflow for the gain on investment in financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income as compared with the last year; the decrease of RMB145,688,000 in the recovery of investment costs of joint ventures as compared with the last year; the decrease of RMB943,534,000 in cash inflow from the merger of subsidiaries as compared with the last year because the cash received from investing activities are mainly merged into cash and bank balances of Intermodal Transportation Company as a result of the changes in the consolidation scope during the last period: the increase of RMB8,052,000 in cash flow for the disposal of property, plant and equipment and service concession arrangements as compared to the last year; the decrease of RMB29,252,000 in equity income from associates and joint ventures as compared with the last year; the decrease in pledged time deposits resulted in a decrease of RMB57,258,000 in cash inflows compared with the last year.

Net cash inflow used in financing activities was RMB726,095,000 (2019: net cash outflow of RMB2,002,100,000), representing an increase in net cash outflow of RMB2,728,195,000 as compared with the last year, which was mainly due to a decrease of RMB3,924,443,000 in cash inflow from new bank loans and other loans as compared with the last year; an increase of RMB1,309,409,000 in cash outflow from repayment of bank loans, medium term notes and other loans and payment of lease principal as compared with the last year; an increase of RMB30,581,000 in cash outflow from dividend paid to the owners of the Company compared with the last year; a decrease of RMB42,892,000 in cash outflow resulting from dividend payment to non-controlling shareholders as compared with the same period of last year; an increase of RMB41,755,000 in cash outflow from interest paid compared with the last year.

Capital Commitments

Details of the Group's capital commitments as at 31 December 2020 are set out in note 35 to the financial statements.

Exchange Fluctuations Risks

Save that the Company needs to purchase Hong Kong dollars to distribute dividends to H Shareholders, the operating income and expenses as well as the capital expenditures of the Group are mainly settled in RMB and thus the fluctuations in exchange rate do not have material impact on the Group's results.

In addition, the Group had not used any financial instrument for hedging purposes in the Reporting Period.



Borrowings and Solvency

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's bank and other interest-bearing borrowings amounted to RMB18,560,297,000, all of which bore fixed interest rates. The balance of domestic bank loans was RMB16,815,000,000, with annual interest rates ranging from 3.10% to 6.40%; the balance of other loans amounted to RMB455,297,000, with annual interest rate ranging from 4.99% to 6.8%; the balance of medium-term notes amounted to RMB290,000,000, with a coupon interest rate of 6.30% per annum; the balance of corporate bonds amounted to RMB1,000,000, with an coupon interest rate of 3.48% per annum. The relevant balances are set out as follows:

| | Total amount <i>RMB'000</i> | Within 1 year RMB′000 | From 1 year to 5 years RMB'000 | Over 5 years RMB'000 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Loans form domestic banks | 16,815,000 | 3,407,448 | 4,872,594 | 8,534,958 |
| Other loans | 455,297 | 152,756 | 230,057 | 72,484 |
| Medium-term notes | 290,000 | | 290,000 | |
| Corporate bonds | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | | |
| Total (as at 31 December 2020) | 18,560,297 | 4,560,204 | 5,392,651 | 8,607,442 |
| Total (as at 31 December 2019) | 16,851,939 | 3,541,803 | 5,608,173 | 7,701,963 |

Interest-Bearing Bank and other Loans

With the Group's steady cash flow, solid capital structure and sound credit records, the Group has established and maintained favorable credit relations with financial institutions and enjoyed most preferential interest rates for its loans. The Group has acquired bank facilities of RMB49,942 million from financial institutions available for use in the following one to two years. In addition, in 2010, China CITIC Bank Corporation Limited (Chengdu Branch) as leader and other eight banks carrying on businesses in the PRC formed a bank consortium, which signed a loan contract with the Group for a medium-long term loan of RMB4,890 million. Such loan is specially used for construction of Chengren Expressway BOT Project. As at 31 December 2020, the balance of the syndicated loan for the project amounted to RMB2,102 million.

In 2013, China Development Bank (Sichuan Branch) as leader and other three banks carrying out businesses in the PRC formed a bank consortium, which signed a loan contract with the Group for a medium-long term loan of RMB8,330 million. Such loan is specially used for construction of Suiguang-Suixi Expressways BOT Project. As at 31 December 2020, the balance of the syndicated loan for the project amounted to RMB7,610 million.

Pledge of Assets

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's time deposits of RMB15,000,000 (31 December 2019: RMB15,000,000) was pledged for the performance guarantee of road construction project; mortgage security of RMB33,291,000 was provided for North Town Times Project (31 December 2019: RMB29,024,000); the concession right to collect toll pertaining to Chengle Expressway with net carrying value of RMB5,788,278,000 (2019: RMB3,689,688,000) was pledged to secure the syndicated loan amounting to RMB2,590,000,000 (2019: RMB800,000,000); the concession right to collect toll pertaining to Chengren Expressway with net carrying value of RMB6,470,301,000 (31 December 2019: RMB6,639,158,000) was pledged to secure the syndicated loan amounting to RMB2,101,701,000 (31 December 2019: RMB2,381,264,000); the concession right to collect toll pertaining to Suiguang-Suixi Expressways with net carrying value of RMB11,566,008,000 (31 December 2019: RMB11,817,261,000) was pledged to secure the syndicated loan amounting to RMB7,610,000,000 (31 December 2019: RMB7,910,000,000); loans to customers with net carrying value of RMB1,318,334,000 (31 December 2019: RMB863,212,000) were used for the pledge of bank loans amounting to RMB681,299,000 (31 December 2019: RMB659,729,000); and the land use right with a total carrying value of RMB499,100,000 (31 December 2019: RMB859,600,000) was pledged to secure bank loans amounting to RMB82,000,000 (31 December 2019: RMB205,000,000).

Save as disclosed above, the Group did not have any other contingent liabilities, pledge of assets or guarantees as at 31 December 2020.

Contingent Liabilities

As at 31 December 2020, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities.

III. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Based on the analysis and conclusion of the operating conditions of the Company during the Reporting Period, combined with the forecast and judgement of the economic situation, policy environment and development status of the industry and the Company in 2021, we have formulated the following work plan around the overall development plan of the Fourteenth Five-Year Plan and the specific business objectives of 2021:

1. Striving to promote key transportation projects to constantly expand main business advantages

The Company will focus on its main business, make use of the traffic advantages and incremental space of the roads under its management, and continuously enhance its core business profitability and market competitiveness. It will adhere to the construction concept of "integration of construction, management, maintenance and operation" and "green intelligence" in the whole life cycle of expressway, strengthen the leadership of the owners, play the role of multi-level external linkage and coordination, scientifically adjust and optimize the design, integrate into the requirements of intelligent expressway construction, improve the precision of budget estimate, strictly control the cost, reasonably arrange the construction period, and complete the annual investment and construction tasks with quality and quantity guaranteed. Meanwhile, it will closely track new projects, increase project acquisition efforts, and strengthen technical management, striving to maximize the investment returns.

2. Steadily developing relevant diversified industry sectors to effectively play a supporting role

To expand the business, the Company will strive to accelerate diversified innovation, enhance the overall market competitiveness and the ability to benefit the main business in return. It will promote the integration of financial investment, service areas and gas stations in an orderly manner, as well as the construction of transportation technology platform, strengthen the strategic synergy, industrial interaction and resource integration within the Group, ensure the overall economic benefits and comprehensive service quality of the service area operating enterprises, and optimize the operation model and business layout. Moreover, it will continue to explore the potential, increase the efficiency and maintain stable growth of the energy sales enterprises; and it will play the role of investment platform in diversified industry sectors such as finance and urban operation, striving to create "transportation +" projects that meet the development orientation and development requirements of the Group.

3. Deeply strengthening the basic management ability to improve the operational efficiency

The Company will deepen its "internal strength" and enhance its ability to create efficiency, reduce cost and increase efficiency, and improve financial efficiency. It will comply with the development direction of intelligent expressway, increase its efforts to plug loopholes and increase revenue under the new situation, encourage the transformation and application of scientific and technological achievements and technological innovation, boost the development of green and efficient modern logistics, and promote the complementary advantages of traditional industries and emerging business models. It will strictly control the expenses in the whole business process of "investment, construction, operation and maintenance", continuously carry out cost reduction actions, and take effective measures such as precise implementation of preventive maintenance to scientifically reduce the comprehensive cost. In addition, it will strengthen the dynamic supervision and comprehensive budget management effectiveness with the "integration of business and finance", explore the establishment of financial sharing service center, improve the level of financial informatization, build an integrated financial management and control system, improve the efficiency of capital utilization, so as to ensure the safety of funds and the exclusive use of special funds.

4. Coordinating safety and environmental protection with pandemic prevention and control to boost the healthy development of the enterprises

The Company will build a solid barrier to keep the bottom line of no production safety accidents and environmental protection accidents, and continue to consolidate the "zero infection" pandemic prevention achievements. It will unremittingly strengthen the pandemic prevention and control measures, strictly implement the three simultaneous prevention requirements on "human, material and environment", and implement and refine the normalization measures of pandemic prevention and control. In addition, it will continuously improve the level of safety management, strengthen the establishment of emergency system, maintain the frequency and intensity of safety education, and enhance the professional quality of safety production staff. It will enhance the construction of environmental protection system, improve the awareness of environmental protection subject, and keep the red line of environmental protection responsibility.

5. Preventing and resolving risks in an all-around way to maintain a stable and positive development momentum

The Company will strengthen risk control on the scientific and reasonable, pragmatic and practical principles, continuously improve the risk prevention and control system, and benchmark against outstanding enterprises to ensure proper system propaganda and implementation, so as to effectively resolve the stock risks and prevent the incremental risks from multiple dimensions and multiple layers. It will continue to improve the risk control system, plug loopholes and fill shortcomings in a timely manner, and firmly build three lines of defense in term of compliance, internal control and internal audit against operational and investment risks. It will effectively strengthen the implementation of the risk control system, enhance the supervision and control on weak links, key positions and risk-prone areas while improving the propaganda.

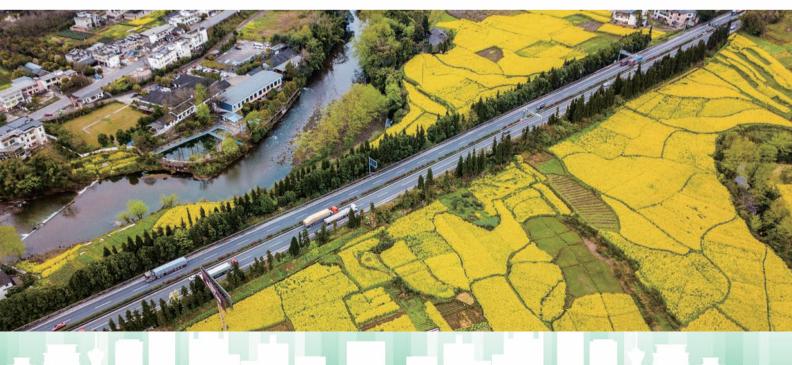
6. Comprehensively strengthening the development of corporate culture to make concerted efforts for continuous development

The Company will strictly carry out corporate governance, strengthen the construction of corporate style, focus on the key minority and the vast majority, and enhance and refine the daily corporate monitoring and performance supervision in various forms of propaganda and education. At the same time, the Company will conduct theme activities to advance the construction of corporate culture, stimulate the group vitality and promote the cohesion of the enterprise.

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Li Wenhu Vice Chairman and General Manager

Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC 30 March 2021



CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

I. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

As a listed company with both A Shares and H Shares, in addition to complying with the applicable laws and regulations, the Company is also required to comply with the requirements of the Corporate Governance Code (the "Code") of the Stock Exchange and the Code of Corporate Governance for Listed Companies of the CSRC regarding the practice of corporate governance. During the Reporting Period and up to the date of this annual report, the Company has adopted and complied with the code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange except for the deviations as shown below.

1. Provision A.2.1 under the Code On 31 December 2019, Mr. Zhou Liming tendered his resignation as a chairman of the Company due to work adjustment. On 17 January 2020, Mr. Gan Yongyi was selected as the chairman of the Company at the Third Meeting of the Seventh Session of the Board of the Company. Since then, Mr. Gan Yongyi serves as the chairman and the general manager of the Company, which deviates the requirement of the Code stating that "the roles of chairman and chief executive should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual." As of 27 July 2020, the Company held the seventh meeting of the Seventh session of the Board, at which Mr. Li Wenhu was appointed as general manager of the Company. Since then, Mr. Gan Yongyi, Chairman and general manager of the Company, has ceased to be general manager of the Company and the Company has complied with the aforementioned code provision.

Since establishment, the Company has set up a corporate governance structure comprising the general meeting, the Board, the Supervisory Committee and the management, and has conducted on-going review and improvement of such structure in practice. Until now, the Company has successively established special committees under the Board, including the Audit Committee, the Strategic Committee, the Nomination Committee and the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee. The Company has also adopted an independent internal audit system, established a relatively comprehensive risk management and internal control system and formulated multi-tier governance rules based on the Articles of Association, aiming at clearly defining the duties, limits of authorities and codes of conducts for all parties. In accordance with laws, regulations and the governance rules, the general meeting, the Board, the Supervisory Committee and the management of the Company discharge their own duties, coordinate with each other, effectively counter-balance each other, and continuously enhance corporate governance standards, thereby laying a solid foundation for driving the Company's development and maximizing value for the Shareholders.

Amendments to and improvements in corporate governance system

During the Reporting Period, the Company has adjusted and further supplemented and improved the corresponding corporate governance rules according to the amendments to laws, regulations and normative documents of relevant competent authorities. On 29 October 2020, as approved by the general meeting of the Company, the Company amended and improved the Articles of Association and the Rules of Procedure for the General Meetings. The details about amendments to such rules and systems are available for Shareholders and investors on the websites of SSE, the Stock Exchange and the Company.

(II) The responsibility statement of the Board on risk management and internal control

It is the responsibility of the Board of the Company to establish, perfect, and effectively implement risk management and internal control system, to assess and determine the risk nature and degree it would accept when the Group's strategic objectives are achieved. The Board is responsible for continuously supervising the Company's risk management and internal control system, including overseeing the management to design, implement and monitor the risk management and internal control system, and the annual review of the effectiveness of important monitoring procedures concerning finance, operation, compliance and etc.; the board of Supervisors conducts supervision on the Board's establishment and implementation of risk management and internal control; the management is responsible for organizing and implementing the day-to-day operations of the Company's risk management and internal control, and providing the Board with validation non-risk management and internal control system. It is also the Board's responsibility to ensure that the Company's resources and qualifications and experience of staff in respect of the Company's accounting, internal audit, and financial reporting functions and the sufficiency of training sessions for staff and relevant budgets. Instead of to eliminate, the Company's risk management and internal control system is designed to monitor and manage the risk factors that affect the Company's business objectives, and make reasonable but not absolute guarantee on no significant misrepresentations or losses.

(III) Sound establishment of risk management and internal control system of the Company

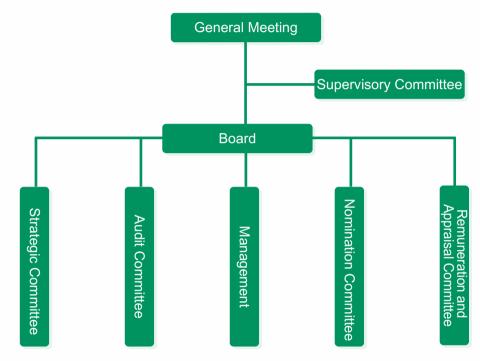
After years of operation and development, the Company has established a relatively comprehensive risk management and internal control system, ensuring the normal production and operation of the Company and playing a vital role in controlling operation risks. As the Company further develops, its risk management and internal control system needs to be continuously optimized and enhanced. Meanwhile, in order to implement the "Basic Rules for Internal Control of Companies" jointly issued by the Ministry of Finance, the CSRC, the National Audit Office, the China Banking Regulatory Commission and the China Insurance Regulatory Commission and the Implementary Guideline for Enterprise Internal Control, and in light of the "Guidelines on Internal Control for Listed Companies" by the SSE and the Code, the Company has launched the construction of the corporate internal control system in an all-around way since the second half of 2010 and promptly completed the preparation and test of the Internal Control Manual as well as self-assessment and audit of internal control for the years from 2011 to 2019. In 2020, the Company solidly advanced internal control to ensure that the overall operation of the Company's internal control system was good. On the basis of proper supervision, self-inspection and review, the Company further strengthened its supervision and evaluation work as well as internal control system to consolidate the foundation of the system serving the business development of the Company.

Through making self-assessment of the design and implementation effectiveness of the Company's internal control as at 31 December 2020, the Board considers that, in terms of such businesses and matters as included in the scope of assessment, the Company had put in place risk management and internal control which had been implemented effectively with the Company's risk management and internal control objectives being accomplished, and there were no significant defects during the Reporting Period. Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) has audited the effectiveness of the relevant internal control for financial reporting of the Company and issued auditors' reports with standard unqualified opinions.

In the future, the Company will continue to press ahead with the implementation of its risk management and internal control system, and optimize the risk management and internal control system based on its existing system, and practically establish and implement a corporate risk management and internal control system with definite division between powers and obligations, scientific management and high efficiency.

II. LEGAL PERSON GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE OF THE COMPANY

The current governance structure of the Company is shown in the diagram below:



(I) Shareholders and General Meetings

The Company treats all the Shareholders on an equal footing by ensuring that all Shareholders, especially minority and medium Shareholders, are entitled to enjoy equal status and fully exercise their respective rights, and are entitled to the right to access to and make decisions on material matters of the Company and strictly prohibits any act detrimental to the interests of the Company and the Shareholders. Notice of, authorization from and consideration at general meetings are all in compliance with relevant procedures.

1. Substantial Shareholders

The substantial Shareholders of the Company include STIG (Sichuan Transportation Investment Group Corporation Limited) and China Merchants Expressway Company. The substantial Shareholders had acted properly and never exploited their special position to intervene, in ultra vires over the general meetings, the decision-making or the operation of the Company or advance extra interests.

The Company has separate personnel, assets, finance, organization and business from the substantial Shareholders. In respect of personnel, there is no interlocking which violates the laws and regulations and the Company has the rights of free appointment and removal in terms of labor and personnel; in respect of assets, the Company is strictly separated from its controlling Shareholder, possesses full ownership over its operating assets and operates with full independence; in respect of finance, the Company has an independent financial department and independent financial accounts and is able to autonomously make its financial decisions while the application of funds is free from any interference from the controlling Shareholders; in respect of organization, there is no question of "one team operating in two companies", mixed operation or work in the same premise, and the office and business premise are separated; in respect of business, the Company has a different scope of business from those of its controlling Shareholder and owns entire business independence and independent operation capability.

2. Policy on distribution of dividends

The Company, whilst maintaining sound and sustainable development, attaches great importance to reasonable investment return to its shareholders and adopts a consistent and stable profit distribution policy. The Company mainly determines the policy on distribution of dividends through the Articles of Association.

(1) Intervals of profit distribution

The Company shall distribute its distributable profits on an annual basis provided that its cash flows are sufficient to satisfy its normal capital needs and sustainable development; and an interim profit distribution may be carried out as the Company deems necessary according to its profits and capital requirements.

(2) Forms of profit distribution

The Company may distribute its profit in cash, shares, a combination of both cash and shares or otherwise permitted by laws and regulations. Cash dividend is prior to share dividend in profit distribution. Where the conditions of cash dividend are met, profit distribution shall be carried out in form of cash dividend.

(3) Conditions for distributing profit in shares

Where the Company's share capital size and equity structure are rational and its share capital increases in line with its results growth, the Company may distribute its dividends in shares.

(4) Conditions and percentages for distributing profit in cash:

If the Company's distributable profit for the period is positive and its cash flows are sufficient to meet normal capital requirements, such as project investment, project renovation or expansion, repair and maintenance of road assets, acquisition of assets or purchase of equipment, and support its sustainable development, the Company shall distribute dividends in cash, and the sum of any such cash dividend shall not be less than 30% of the distributable profit earned by the parent company for the period concerned (the lower of the profit attributable to shareholders under the PRC and overseas accounting standards respectively); and the Company shall take into account the following factors comprehensively including industry features, development stage, operation mode, profits level and if there are substantial arrangements for capital expenditures etc., and, in accordance with the stipulated procedures under the Articles of Association, formulate differential cash dividend policy in the following situations: ① when there is no substantial arrangements for capital expenditure of the Company during a mature development stage of the Company, cash dividend shall amount to at least 80% of the relevant profits distribution; 2 when there is substantial arrangements for capital expenditure of the Company during a mature development stage of the Company, cash dividend shall amount to at least 40% of the relevant profits distribution; ③ when there is substantial arrangements for capital expenditure of the Company during a growth stage of the Company, cash dividend shall amount to at least 20% of the relevant profits distribution; Unless otherwise provided by laws and administrative regulations, the sum of an interim dividend shall not exceed 50% of the distributable profit as shown in the Company's interim income statement.

(5) Requirement on the time for completion of profit distribution

The Company shall distribute profit to its shareholders according to their respective shareholdings within six (6) months after the end of each financial year.

After a resolution on the profit distribution plan is adopted at general meeting of the Company, the Board of the Company shall complete the distribution of the dividends (or shares) within two (2) months after the holding of the general meeting.

3. General Meetings and Rights of Shareholders

As the highest authority of the Company, the general meeting exercises its power in determining material matters of the Company pursuant to the laws. Shareholders requisitioning extraordinary general meetings of Shareholders or class meetings shall abide by the following procedures: Shareholders individually or collectively holding 10% or more of the Shares of the Company shall sign one or more counterpart requisitions requiring the Board to convene a Shareholders' extraordinary general meeting or a class meeting, and clarify the topic of the meeting. The Board shall furnish a written reply stating its agreement or disagreement to the convening of the extraordinary general meeting within ten (10) days after receiving such requisition; in the event that the Board agrees to convene an extraordinary general meeting, the notice of the general meeting shall be issued within five (5) days after the passing of the relevant resolution of the Board; in the event that the Board does not agree to convene an extraordinary general meeting or does not furnish any reply within ten (10) days after receiving such proposal, Shareholders individually or collectively holding 10% or more of the Company's Shares shall be entitled to propose to the Supervisory Committee the convening of the extraordinary general meeting; in the event that the Supervisory Committee agrees to convene an extraordinary general meeting, the notice of the general meeting shall be issued within five (5) days after receiving such request; failure of the Supervisory Committee to issue the notice of the general meeting shall be deemed as failure of the Supervisory Committee to convene and preside over a general meeting, and Shareholders individually or collectively holding 10% or more of the Company's Shares for ninety (90) consecutive days or more may convene and preside over the meeting by themselves.



The annual general meetings or other extraordinary general meetings in each year provide a channel of direct communication between the Board and Shareholders. The Company encourages all Shareholders to attend general meetings and issues the meeting notice within at least 20 business days prior to the convening of the annual general meetings and at least 10 business days prior to the convening of the extraordinary general meetings, and takes appropriate ways of disclosure and expression based on the regulatory regulations of different stock exchanges and reading habits of different investors to provide Shareholders with information or data that is helpful to decision-making. The Company discloses the details of procedures for Shareholders to attend in person or by proxy, contact information for enquiries by Shareholders, and etc., in the notices of general meetings. In accordance with the provisions under the Articles of Association, Shareholders individually or collectively holding more than 3% of the Company's Shares can make a temporary motion and submit it in writing to the convener ten (10) days before the date of Shareholders' general meeting. The convener shall issue a supplementary notice of the Shareholders' general meeting announcing the contents of the temporary motion within two (2) days upon receipt of the motion. At the general meetings, all Shareholders also have opportunities to make enquiries to the Directors about issues concerning the operation and results of the Group. All Directors and senior management of the Company are required to attend the meetings as much as possible to answer Shareholders' enquiries and discuss directly with Shareholders about the Company's business and prospect.

In 2020, the Company convened three general meetings. The convening of and matters approved at the meetings are summarized as follows:

| No. | Meeting | Date of Meeting | Name | of Resolutions | Resolutions |
|-----|--|---------------------|------|---|---|
| 1 | The 1st extraordinary general meeting in 2020 | 11 February 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to the Signing of the Construction Project Connected Transaction Framework Agreement between the Company and STIG. | The resolution was duly considered and passed |

| No. | Meeting | Date of Meeting | Name o | of Resolutions | Resolutions |
|-----|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------|--|---|
| 2 | 2019 annual general meeting | 3 June 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to profit distribution and dividend distribution plan of the Company for the year 2019 ; | All the resolution were duly considered and passed |
| | | | 2. | Resolution in relation to the work report of the Board for the year 2019 ; | |
| | | | 3. | Resolution in relation to work report of the Supervisory Committee of the Company for the year 2019 ; | |
| | | | 4. | Resolution in relation to the duty performance report of independent Directors for the year 2019 ; | |
| | | | 5. | Resolution in relation to the 2019 domestic and overseas annual reports and their summaries; | |
| | | | 6. | Resolution in relation to the Company's financial budget for the year of 2020; | |
| | | | 7. | Resolution in relation to the re- appointment of Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) as the PRC auditor of the Company for the year 2020; | |
| | | | 8. | Resolution in relation to the re- appointment of Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants as the international auditor of the Company for the year 2020; | |
| | | | 9. | Resolution in relation to the financial budget implementation report for the year 2019; | |
| | | | 10. | Resolution in relation to the liability insurance for Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management of the Company; | |

| No. | Meeting | Date of Meeting | Name | of Resolutions | Resolutions |
|-----|---------|--------------------|------|--|---|
| | | | 11. | To consider and approve th remuneration scheme of M Yang Guofeng as: not receiv remuneration from the Compan for his position as director; | r. e |
| | | | 12. | To consider and approve the remuneration scheme of Ms Ma Yonghan as: not receive remuneration from the Company for her position as director is the Company, but receive it for her position as management of the Company. The Board was authorized by the general meeting to determine the remuneration after considering the opinion of the Remuneration and Appraise Committee in accordance witt relevant polices and the uniform standards set by the Company; | s. e y n of s g n of al h |
| | | | 13. | To consider and approve th remuneration scheme of M You Zhiming as: not receiv remuneration from the Compan for his position as director is the Company, but receive it for his position as management of the Company. The Board was authorized by the general meetin to determine the remuneration after considering the opinion of the Remuneration and Appraise Committee in accordance witt relevant polices and the uniform standards set by the Company; | r. e y n of s g n of al h |
| | | | 14. | To consider and approve th remuneration scheme of Mr. Lu Maoquan as: receive remuneratic in accordance with relevant police and the uniform standards set b the Company; | o n s |

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| No. | Meeting | Date of Meeting | Name | of Resolutions | Resolutions |
|-----|---|--------------------|------|--|--|
| | | | 15. | To consider and approve the remuneration scheme of Ms. Gao Ying as: not receive remuneration from the Company for her position as supervisor; | |
| | | | 16. | Resolution in relation to the election of Directors; | |
| | | | 17. | Resolution in relation to the election of Supervisors. | |
| 3 | 2nd extraordinary general meeting in 2020 | 29 October 2020 | 1. | To consider and approve the remuneration scheme of Mr. Li Wenhu as: not receive remuneration from the Company for his position as director in the Company, but receive it for his position as management of the Company. The Board was authorized by the general meeting to determine the remuneration after considering the opinion of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee in accordance with relevant polices and the uniform standards set by the Company; | All the resolutions were duly considered and passed |
| | | | 2. | Resolution in relation to the amendments to the Articles of Association; | |
| | | | 3. | Resolution in relation to the amendments to the Rules of Procedures of the General Meeting. | |



In addition to the said communication with the Board by means of general meetings, Shareholders can also submit their enquiries and questions in writing to the Board through the Secretary to the Board at any time. The contact details of Mr. Zhang Yongnian, the Secretary to the Board, are as follows:

| Tel: | (86) 28–8552 7510 |
|------------------|--|
| Fax: | (86) 28–8553 0753 |
| E-mail: | cygszh@163.com |
| Contact address: | 252 Wuhouci Da Jie, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC |
| Postal code: | 610041 |
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(II) Board and Directors

Board

1. Responsibilities and division of work

The Board acts on behalf of the interests of Shareholders as a whole and is accountable to the general meetings. Its main duties are to exercise rights of decisionmaking and management in accordance with laws and regulations and the authorization of general meetings in terms of the Company's development strategies, management framework, financing and investment plans, financial control and human resources, etc., and to exercise supervision and inspection on the development and operating activities of the Company. The Board has established 4 special committees and assigned certain specific powers to each committee to assist the Board in effective performance of duties. The composition, responsibilities and functions of each committee are set out in the section headed "Special committees of the Board" in this chapter. Unless otherwise stipulated in the terms of reference of relevant committees, the Board reserves the final right to make decisions.

The management is accountable to the Board. Its major responsibilities are to implement the resolutions of the Board, manage the Company's day-to-day operations, organize the implementation of the Company's annual business plan and investment plan, and make relevant decisions in accordance with laws and regulations and the authorization of the Board. When the Board delegates powers in respect of management and administrative functions to the management, it has given clear guidance on the powers of the management. In exercise of duties, the management should not exceed the permitted scope of its duties.

2. Composition

As at 31 December 2020, the Board consisted of 11 Directors^{*Note*}. It was the seventh session of the Board since the establishment of the Company. The term of office of the Directors commenced from 13 November 2019 or from the date on which the Directors were elected. As at the date of this annual report, the composition of the Board of the Company is set out in Section VIII "Profile of Directors, Supervisors, Senior Management and Employees" in this annual report.

The seventh session of the Board has 4 independent non-executive Directors, representing more than one-third of the total directorship. Independent non-executive Directors are experienced professionals in various industries including legislation, civil engineering, economy and accounting. With a responsible attitude and extensive professional knowledge and experience, the independent non-executive Directors have in good faith performed their independent duties of honesty and diligence in participating in discussion and decision-making on material matters of the Company, reviewing the connected transactions, capital transaction and external guarantee of the Company as well as giving their independent opinions or recommendations, whereby the overall interests of the Company and the lawful interests of the Shareholders as a whole have been effectively safeguarded. Independent non-executive Directors have played an important role in the Board of the Company.

Composition of the Board satisfied the demand of the Company's business for the Board members concerning their skills and experience together with perspectives and diversified angles. Change of the Board members will not bring in unsuited interference. Executive Directors and non-executive Directors (including independent non-executive Directors) of the Board constitute a balance structure with strong independency is capable of making independent judgment. Non-executive Directors possess sufficient caliber and number to put forward influential opinions and thus effectively safeguarding the interest of the Company as a whole and of all its Shareholders.

Note: Mr. Zhou Liming resigned as the Director of the Company on 31 December 2019.

3. Meetings of the Board

During the Year, the Board of the Company convened a total of 8 Board meetings in view of the needs of the operation and business development of the Company. Board meetings and resolutions are published on the websites of the Stock Exchange, the SSE and the Company for review by Shareholders and investors.

The Board holds regular meetings on a quarterly basis and extraordinary meetings if necessary. The notice of regular Board meeting shall be sent to all Directors at least 14 days before the meeting, the notice of other extraordinary Board meetings shall be sent to all Directors at least 10 days before the meeting. The Chairman, more than one third of Directors, more than one half of independent non-executive Directors, the Supervisory Committee, General Manager and Shareholders representing more than one tenth of voting rights have rights to propose the convening of an extraordinary Board meeting.

The management of the Company is responsible for provision of relevant statistics and information required for the Board's consideration of various resolutions and arranging for senior executives to report their work at Board meetings. The Board of the Company and its special committees are entitled to appoint independent professional institutions for services according to the needs of corporate businesses, and the reasonable expenses incurred there from shall be borne by the Company.

When a Board meeting considers any transaction, Directors shall declare their interests involved, and shall abstain from voting at the meeting as required. The Company has stated in the Articles of Association that, if a Director has a conflict of interest in any material matter, the connected Director must abstain from voting at the Board meeting.

Directors

1. Appointment

Directors are elected at general meetings. Shareholders, the Board or the Supervisory Committee of the Company are eligible to nominate candidates for Directors in writing. Directors serve for a term of office of 3 years and, upon expiry of the term, their appointment is subject to further consideration at general meetings and they may offer themselves for re-election. Independent non-executive Directors shall be the persons not connected with the management and substantial Shareholders of the Company.

2. Information support and professional development

As always, the Company has been committed to improving its internal information support system and communication mechanism so as to secure effective functioning of the Board. Through the Secretary to the Board, all Directors during their term of office are able to keep abreast of relevant information and the latest movements in laws, regulations, regulatory ordinances and other continuing obligations that directors of listed companies shall comply with, on a timely basis. Through various means such as statistics provision, work reports, site visits, professional trainings and special conference, and etc., all Directors are enabled to keep informed of the business development, competition and regulatory environment of the Company on a timely basis, thus ensuring the Directors understand their duties. This facilitates correct and effective decisions by the Directors and ensures procedures of the Board and the applicable laws and regulations are duly observed.

| Name of Director | Reading materials in respect of traffic and transportation, corporate governance, capital | Activity Participation in centralized trainings and attendance in forums, seminars and meetings on regulatory work |
|--|--|---|
| Gan Yongyi | V | V |
| Li Wenhu | ~ | \checkmark |
| Yang Guofeng ^(Note) | ~ | ✓ |
| Ma Yonghan (Note) | ~ | ✓ |
| You Zhiming | ~ | \checkmark |
| He Zhuqing | ~ | \checkmark |
| Li Chengyong | ~ | \checkmark |
| Liu Lina | ~ | \checkmark |
| Gao Jinkang | ~ | \checkmark |
| Yan Qixiang | ~ | \checkmark |
| Bu Danlu | ~ | \checkmark |
| Luo Maoquan (Note) (Resigned) | ~ | \checkmark |
| Ni Shilin ^(Note) (Resigned) | V | ✓ |

In 2020, the participation of Directors in continuing professional development activities is as follows:

In addition, the Secretary to the Board of the Company has also accepted professional training of no less than 15 hours in accordance with Rule 3.29 of the Listing Rules.

Note: On 29 April 2020, Mr. Ni Shilin resigned as a director and the Vice Chairman of the Board of the Company due to work rearrangement; Mr. Luo Maoquan resigned as a Director and a deputy general manager of the Company due to work rearrangement; On 3 June 2020, Mr. Luo Maoquan was elected as supervisors of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company, Mr. Yang Guofeng was elected as a non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company and Ms. Ma Yonghan was elected as an executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company as were considered and approved at the 2019 annual general meeting of the Company.

3. Performance of duties for the Year

During the Reporting Period, the members of the Board of the Company were jointly responsible for the management and operation of the Company's businesses. Each Director actively cared for the Company's businesses and cautiously and diligently executed their respective responsibilities on the basis of fully understanding the Company's businesses and in good faith in the best interests of the Company.

In 2020, the attendance of the Board meetings and general meetings by the Directors is as follows:

| | | Attendance of General Meetings | | | | |
|-----------------------|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Name of Director | Required attendance in Board meetings during the Year | Attendance in person | Attendance via communications | Attendance by proxy | Attendance in person/required attendance | Number of attendance/ meetings |
| Gan Yongyi | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Li Wenhu | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Yang Guofeng | 5 | 5 | 4 | 0 | 5/5 | 1/1 |
| Ma Yonghan | 5 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 5/5 | 1/1 |
| You Zhiming | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| He Zhuqing | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Li Chengyong | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Liu Lina | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Gao Jinkang | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Yan Qixiang | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Bu Danlu | 8 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 8/8 | 3/3 |
| Luo Maoquan(Resigned) | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2/2 | 1/1 |
| Ni Shilin(Resigned) | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2/2 | 1/1 |

| Number of Board meetings held during the Year | 8 |
|--|---|
| Of which: Number of physical meetings | 1 |
| Number of meetings held via communications | 2 |
| Number of meetings held by way of combination of | |
| both | 5 |



During the Reporting Period, all Directors of the Company have attended the Board meetings with due care and diligence, and offered professional suggestions and independent judgments in respect of the material issues being discussed at the meetings by virtue of their expertise and experience.

Apart from attendance of Board meetings with due diligence and performance of their duties with honesty, the independent non-executive Directors of the Company also held meetings with external auditors to discuss annual auditing issues in accordance with relevant requirements and guidance and provided independent opinions and recommendations to the Board in respect of material issues and connected transactions of the Group, and etc. During 2020, independent non-executive Directors, by means such as joining the Board and special committees, reviewed and provided independent opinions on material issues of the Company such as investment decisions, connected transactions, profit distribution and internal control, whereby the overall interest of the Company and the lawful interest of the Shareholders as a whole had been safeguarded and the healthy development of the Company had been promoted.

During the Year, the independent non-executive Directors had neither raised any objections to the resolutions of the Board nor made any proposals to convene a Board meeting.

4. Remunerations of Directors and Supervisors

Until now, remunerations of the Directors, Supervisors (excluding Employee's Representative Supervisor(s)) and senior management of the Company are determined in accordance with relevant PRC policies or regulations, the Company's actual situation, and meanwhile taking his/her job responsibilities, risk assumed and contribution into consideration. The Board (considering the opinions of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee) and the Supervisory Committee may make suggestions on the remunerations schemes for Directors and Supervisors (excluding Employee's Representative Supervisor(s)) and considered and approved at the general meeting; while the remunerations schemes for senior management shall be considered and approved by the Board (considering the opinions of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee). The incentive (if any), individual awards (if any) and allowances for the aforesaid staff on his/her term of office should be determined by the Board as authorized by the general meeting, after giving consideration to the opinions of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee. Information on the remunerations of Directors and Supervisors of the Company for 2020 is set out in note 8 to the financial statements of this annual report.

5. Independence of Directors

The Company has appointed a sufficient number of independent non-executive Directors. The Board has obtained written confirmations from all independent non-executive Directors concerning their independence in accordance with the requirements of Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange. The Company believes that the incumbent independent non-executive Directors have all complied with such rule and the relevant regulations of the SSE and are still regarded as independent.

6. Securities transactions by Directors

During the Year, the Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by the Directors on terms not less exacting than the required standards set out in the Model Code, and has strictly complied with the relevant requirements of the Listing Rules of the SSE. Having made specific enquiries to all Directors, it was confirmed that the Directors of the Company have complied with the Model Code in relation to securities transactions by the Directors and its standards of code of conduct and there had not been any non-compliance with the relevant requirements of the Model Code and the Listing Rules of the SSE.

7. Director's liability insurance

Purchase of liability insurance for Directors will, on one hand, enable the Company to establish an effective prevention mechanism against the vocational risks associated with the management staff, encourage their innovation, attract more excellent management talents and optimize the corporate governance structure of the Company; and on the other hand, it will enhance the anti-risk ability of the Company and contribute to the protection of the lawful interests of minority and medium Shareholders. Since March 2012, the Company has purchased liability insurance for Directors, Supervisors and senior management members of the Company in relation to their performance of duties.

8. Responsibility statement on financial statements by the Directors

The Directors confirm that they have the responsibility to prepare the financial statements that can give a true and complete view of the Group's financial position. The Board is of the opinion that as the Company's resources are sufficient for its operation in future, the financial statements have been prepared based on the going concern, and that in preparation of such financial statements, applicable accounting policies were adopted.

(III) Special Committees of the Board

In order to help the Board to discharge its duties and promote effective operation, 4 special committees have been set up under the Board. These committees review and monitor matters in specific areas of the Company within their designated terms of reference, and make corresponding recommendations to the Board. The detailed implementing rules for each committee has been approved by the Board and published on the websites of the Stock Exchange, the SSE and the Company for inspection by Shareholders and investors.

Members of the committees shall be elected and appointed by the Board in accordance with the provisions under the detailed implementation rules for their respective committees.

The composition and duty performance of the committees during the period from 1 January 2020 to 7 January 2020 are set out as follows:

| Name of Director | Role of Director | Audit Co | mmittee | Strategic (| Committee | Nomination | Committee | Remuneration Comm | |
|---------------------|--|--------------------------------|---------|-------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|---|
| | | Member ("✔") Chairman ("*") | | | | Member ("✔") Chairman ("*") | | Member ("✔") Chairman ("*") | |
| Gan Yongyi | Executive Director | - | - | v | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| Liu Lina | Independent non-executive Director | V | - | V | - | - | - | * | - |
| Yan Qixiang | Independent non-executive Director | V | - | - | - | V | - | - | - |
| Gao Jinkang | Independent non-executive Director | - | - | - | - | * | - | - | - |
| Bu Danlu | Independent non-executive Director | * | - | - | - | - | - | ۷ | - |

The composition and duty performance of the committees during the period from 7 January 2020 to 31 December 2020 are set out as follows:

| Name of Director | Role of Director | Audit Con | nmittee | Strategic C | ommittee | Nomination | Committee | Remuneration Comn | |
|---------------------|--|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----|
| | | | | - | Number of attendance/ | Member ("✔") Chairman ("*") | | | |
| Gan Yongyi | 執行董事 | - | - | * | 1/1 | V | 3/3 | V | 3/3 |
| Liu Lina | Independent non-executive Director | V | 6/6 | V | 1/1 | - | - | * | 3/3 |
| Yan Qixiang | Independent non-executive Director | V | 6/6 | - | - | V | 3/3 | - | |
| Gao Jinkang | Independent non-executive Director | - | - | V | 1/1 | * | 3/3 | - | |
| Bu Danlu | Independent non-executive Director | * | 6/6 | - | - | - | - | V | 3/3 |

1. Audit Committee

The Company set up the Audit Committee in November 2004. The major terms of reference of the Audit Committee are as follows: to review the Company's financial information and its disclosure; to perform corporate governance functions, and supervise the Company's internal control, financial reporting system and risk management procedures; to make recommendations on the appointment and dismissal of external accountants, review and monitor the external accountant's independence and objectivity and the effectiveness of the audit process; and to work with the Board to formulate policies concerning the Company's engagement of accountants and supervise the implementation of such policies.

In respect of the performance of corporate governance functions by the Audit Committee, the Board has authorized the committee to perform the following functions: to formulate and review the Company's corporate governance policies and practices and make recommendations to the Board in respect thereof; to review and monitor the Company's compliance with the regulatory systems under the laws and regulations (including but not limited to the Listing Rules) and regulatory authorities (including but not limited to the Stock Exchange and the SSE); to formulate, review and monitor the code of conduct and compliance manual (if any) for the Company's staff and Directors; and to review the Company's compliance with the Corporate Governance Code (as amended time from time) set out in the Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange and the disclosure of such compliance in the Corporate Governance Report in its periodical reports as required under the Listing Rules.

The committee hereby presents its work report during 2020 as follows:

Written Report of the Audit Committee

The Audit Committee convened 6 meetings in 2020 and 2 meetings in 2021 (as of the date of this annual report). Meetings of the Audit Committee were presided over by the chairman of the Audit Committee. All members of the committee attended the meetings in person. The external auditors and Supervisors, Secretary to the Board and Financial Controller of the Company were also invited to attend the meetings except for the second meeting of the seventh session of the Audit Committee, which was only attended by members of the Audit Committee and the external auditors. The major work completed by the Audit Committee during the said period is as follows:

Reviewing regular financial reports

The Audit Committee is responsible for examining and supervising the integrity of the Company's financial statements, accounts and periodical reports, and reviewing significant financial reporting judgments contained in such statements and annual reports. In accordance with relevant procedures, the management is responsible for preparation of the Group's financial reports including adoption of appropriate accounting policies, the external auditors are responsible for

auditing and verifying the Group's financial reports and evaluating the Group's internal control system, while the Audit Committee supervises the work of both the management and the external auditors and confirms the procedures and safeguard measures adopted by the management and external auditors. In reviewing these statements and reports before submission to the Board, the Audit Committee should focus particularly on any changes in accounting policies and practices, matters involving significant judgment, significant adjustments resulting from audit and the going concern assumptions, any qualified opinion and whether it is in compliance with relevant accounting standards and requirements concerning financial reporting under the Listing Rules and laws. The specific work includes:

- (1) Reviewing the 2019 annual financial statements and unaudited financial statements for the first half year of 2020 (according to the HK GAAP and the PRC GAAP), unaudited financial statements for the first and third quarters of 2020 (according to the PRC GAAP), and making approval suggestions to the Board.
- (2) Before the annual audit of 2020, the Audit Committee convened a meeting to hear the plan for preparation and annual audit of 2020 financial report of the Company and the report on annual audit plan from external auditors, and communicated on the audit scope, method, focus and specific scheduling for the Year.
- (3) After completing audit and issuing preliminary audit opinions by external auditors, the Audit Committee convened the 2021 first meeting to discuss and communicate with the external auditors of the Company on relevant issues of the financial and accounting statements of the Company and the preliminary audit opinions of the auditors.
- (4) During the audit process for the Year, the Audit Committee maintained continuous communications with external auditors, who submitted this Year's audit report on time after prior and complete communications and prompt supervision during the audit.
- (5) The Audit Committee convened the 2021 second meeting to consider the 2020 annual audit report of the Company and considered that the Group's 2020 annual financial statements can truly and correctly reflect the operation results of the Group for the year 2020, and the financial position as of 31 December 2020. It recommended the Board to make approval.

- Risk management, internal control and corporate governance reviewing

The Audit Committee is responsible for assisting the Board in reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control. During the Year, the Audit Committee inspected financial control, internal audit, risk management and the progress of internal control construction. No impropriety in respect of financial reporting, internal audit, risk management, internal control or other aspects that might occur has been brought to the attention of the Audit Committee by any employees of the Company. The Audit Committee earnestly reviewed the Group's financial and accounting policies and practices, the Internal Control Manual in areas such as the corporate-level control and business-level control, focused on the examination of the implementation of rectification for the general defects found in the 2019 Self-Assessment Report of Corporate Internal Control, and reviewed the effectiveness of the Group's internal control (including finance, operation, compliance control and risk management functions), and the resources and qualifications and experience of staff in respect of the Company's accounting and financial reporting functions and the sufficiency of training sessions for staff and relevant budgets. On this basis, the Audit Committee reviewed the 2020 Self-Assessment Report of Corporate Internal Control of the Company and was of the opinion that the report gave a comprehensive and objective view of the establishment and operation of the internal control system of the Company, and that the Company has established a relatively complete internal control system and is continuously optimizing and improving the system, which plays favorable supervision and guiding functions for the standard operation of the Company.

During the Year, the Audit Committee also performed the corporate governance functions delegated by the Board, reviewed the compliance with the regulator rules under the Code on Corporate Governance Practices and the Corporate Governance Code, and laws and regulations, and reviewed the information disclosed in the Corporate Governance Report of the Company.

Work evaluation and re-appointment of auditors

- (1) The Audit Committee appraised the audit work and performance capacity of the Company's PRC auditor, Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) in 2020 from the following aspects:
 - a. Professional competence

Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) (hereinafter referred to as "Shinewing") holds the practising certificate as an accounting firm and have the qualification in auditing business and other businesses, and all the members therein are China Certified Public Accountants with a wealth of financial auditing experiences.

During the Reporting Period, Shinewing had a smooth communication with the management and the Audit Committee, maintained a higher standard in giving professional opinions, and in audit quality and efficiency of financial information disclosure, as such, it possessed stronger professional capacity.

b. Investor protection capacity

Shinewing has purchased occupational insurance that complies with relevant regulations and covers civil liability for compensation in accordance with the law for providing audit services. In 2019, the accumulative compensation limit for the occupational liability insurance purchased by Shinewing was RMB150 million. In the past three years, it has not assumed any civil liability in relevant civil lawsuits in its practice.

c. Independence and integrity of the project members

There is no circumstance in breaching the independence requirement under China Code of Ethics for Certified Public Accountants (《中國註冊會計師職業道德守則》) by Shinewing and its practitioners. Its project partners, signing certified public accountants and project quality control reviewers have not been subject to any criminal punishment, or administrative punishment and regulatory management measures by the CSRC and its branch offices and the competent industry authorities, or self-discipline regulatory measures and disciplinary sanctions imposed by the stock exchanges, industry associations and other self-discipline organizations during their practice in the past three years.

The Audit Committee considered that Shinewing appointed by the Company as the PRC auditor of the Company for the year 2020 had good performance in terms of professional competence, investor protection capacity, independence and integrity, etc. The Board was recommended to re-appoint Shinewing as the PRC auditor of the Company for the year 2021.

(2) The Audit Committee considered that Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants appointed by the Company as the international auditor for the year 2020 had good performance in terms of independence and objectivity, professional technical level, auditing quality and efficiency of financial information disclosure, communication results with the management and the Audit Committee, etc. The Board was recommended to re-appoint Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants as the international auditor of the Company for the year 2021.

> **Bu Danlu, Liu Lina, Yan Qixiang** *Members of the Audit Committee*

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2. Strategic Committee

The Company established the Strategic Committee in March 2012. The major responsibilities of the Strategic Committee include the planning of the long-term development strategies of the Company, conducting research and submitting proposals regarding material investment and financing plans that are subject to the approval of the Board in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company, material capital operations, assets operation projects, and other material matters that may affect the Company's development, and carrying out examination on the implementation of the above matters, etc.

During this year, the Strategic Committee considered the Preparation Work Program of the Company's "14th Five Year Plan". In order to prepare the next "Five-Year Plan" with high standards, give full play to the planning's leading function in determining strategic objectives and clarifying implementation paths, and better promote high-quality development, the Company made preliminary plans for the preparation of the "14th Five-Year Plan" and formed the Preparation Work Program of the "14th Five-Year Plan", which arranged and deployed the planning work in terms of key tasks, overall arrangements and organizational guarantees, to effectively ensure the smooth development of the preparation work. The Strategy Committee unanimously agreed that the Preparation Work Program of the "14th Five-Year Plan" was made based on the actual situation of the Company to ensure the implementation of relevant work, and agreed to the submitted Preparation Work Program of the "14th Five-Year Plan" of the Company.

3. Nomination Committee

The Company established the Nomination Committee in March 2012. The major terms of reference of the Nomination Committee were specified to include: to formulate and review the diversified policy for members of the Board and carry out discussions and amendments to the policy concerned where it is needed and to disclose the reviewing conclusion in the Corporate Governance Report of the Company on a yearly basis; to give suggestions to the Board on the structure, composition and change of members of the Board according to the Company's actual situation; to study the selection criteria and procedures for Directors and managers, and give suggestions to the Board; to seek qualified candidates for Directors and managers in a broad scope, and nominate relevant candidates for Directors and management staff after selection, or to give opinions to the Board in this regard; to examine the candidates for Directors, managers and other senior management staff, and give suggestions to the Board; to assess the independence of independent non-executive Directors; to give suggestions to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of Directors and the succession plan for Directors (especially Chairman of the Board and General Manager), etc.

The Board diversity policy of the Company is that the Nomination Committee takes into consideration various factors, including but not limited to gender, age, cultural and educational background, professional experience, skills and knowledge, when determining the Board composition. On top of the above factors, qualities such as the candidate's comprehensive value to the business and development of the Company, his/her potential contribution to the Board and requirements on Board diversity will be taken into account when making the final decision.

During the Year, the Nomination Committee discussed and reviewed the Implementation Rules of the Nomination Committee under the Board of Directors; the election of Directors to the Board, the appointment of senior management during the Reporting Period were proposed to the Board on the basis of taking the principle of diversity into consideration; the Nomination Committee also reviewed the structure, size and composition of the Board (including knowledge, skills and experience of its members). Upon discussion, members of the Company's Board of Directors have been diversified in terms of age, cultural and educational background, professional experience, skills and knowledge.

4. Remuneration and Appraisal Committee

The Company established the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee in March 2012. The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee has adopted the operation mode of performing the advisory role for the Board and the committee is responsible for reviewing the matters regarding remuneration, formulating remuneration policies and putting forward suggestions to the Board on the remuneration policies, formulating assessment standards for the Directors and senior management of the Company and conducted assessment, and reviewing and monitoring the training and continuing professional development of Directors and senior management members.

During the Year, the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee carefully reviewed the service contracts proposed to be entered into in relation to the election of Directors to the Board, the appointment of senior management and other matters and submitted the remuneration suggestions to the Board by reference to market level and in combination of the actual situations of the Company and the candidates, which were approved by the Board. The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee also supervised and reviewed the implementation of the Company's remuneration system. It also conducted assessment and evaluation on the operation performance and sustainable professional development of the executive Directors and the management of the Company for 2020.

III. SUPERVISORY MECHANISM

(I) Supervisory Committee

As at 31 December 2020, the Supervisory Committee of the Company comprises 6 Supervisors, and is the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee since establishment of the Company. The term of office of Supervisors commenced from 13 November 2019 or the date of election of the Supervisors. Composition of the Supervisory Committee of the Company is set out in Section VIII "Profile of Directors, Supervisors, Senior Management and Employees" of this annual report.

The Supervisory Committee exercises the independent power to supervise the Company pursuant to the laws to protect Shareholders, the Company and employees from violation of their lawful interests.

The size and composition of the Supervisory Committee are in compliance with the requirements of the laws and regulations. During the Year, the Supervisory Committee convened 6 meetings in total. All Supervisors attended each committee meeting, all of whom supervised, on behalf of the Shareholders, the Company's financial affairs as well as the legality and compliance of the duties performed by Directors and senior management. During the Reporting Period, all members of the Supervisory Committee, except those with important business engagement, attended the meetings of the Board and general meetings as observers, and honestly performed the duties of the Supervisory Committee. The working details of the Supervisory Committee are set out in "Report of the Supervisory Committee" in this annual report.

(II) Risk Management and Internal Control

A comprehensive and practicable risk management and internal control system is a foundation for good corporate governance. The Board is responsible for the establishment and improvement of risk management and internal control system of the Company for the purposes of reviewing the relevant control procedures of finance, operation and regulation so as to protect the Shareholders' interest and the Company's assets. The Board authorizes the management to promote the internal control system and review its effectiveness through the Audit Committee. To more effectively review the operation and management of the Group and the effectiveness of its internal control system, the Company has set up the Internal Control and Audit Supervisory Department to introduce an independent internal audit system, and carry out analysis and independent assessment on the integrity and effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control system. During their work, the internal audit staff has the right to access the relevant information of the Company and inquire the relevant personnel. Manager of the Internal Control and Audit Supervisory Department reports the work results to the Audit Committee, and after review, the Audit Committee gives suggestions to the management of the Company, and follows up the implementation of the rectification plan. The Board has obtained the management's validation on the effectiveness of the Company's risk management and internal control system.

In order to implement the "Basic Rules for Internal Control of Enterprises" jointly issued by the Ministry of Finance, the CSRC, the National Audit Office, the China Banking Regulatory Commission and the China Insurance Regulatory Commission and the Implementary Guideline for Enterprise Internal Control, and in light of the "Guidelines on Internal Control for Companies Listed on the SSE" by the SSE and the Code, the Company has launched the construction of corporate internal control system in an all-around way since the second half of 2010, further specifying the tasks and targets for the establishment and improvement of the internal control system, self-assessment and auditing. During the Reporting Period, all the main tasks progressed as scheduled, and the Company's internal control system was further strengthened. For details, please refer to "Sound Establishment of Risk Management and Internal Control System of the Company" in this section.

Through identifying, analyzing and responding the risk items in the business process of the Company, it ensures its steady and healthy development. In order to quickly identify risks and respond promptly, the management continues to focus on and monitor the operation of risk management and internal control system, and reports the quarterly monitoring results to the Board at least once a quarter. During the Reporting period, the Company has not taken any significant risks and has no significant monitoring errors or significant monitoring weak spots. Since March 2010, the Company has formulated the "Insider Management System" (revised for the first time in March 2012) to refine the management principles and requirements of inside information and insiders, thus further improving the Company's risk management system.

(III) Auditors

The financial statements included in the 2020 Annual Report of the Company were prepared in accordance with the PRC Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises and the Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, respectively, and have been audited by Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) and Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants respectively. The statements by the auditors on their reporting and auditing responsibilities for the financial statements are set out in the independent auditors' report contained in this annual report.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

The fees paid to the international and PRC auditors this Year are as follows:

Unit: RMB'000

| | 2020 | | 2019 | |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| ltems ^(Note) | Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) | Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants | Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) | Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants |
| Fees for audit/review of financial statements Audit fee of internal control | 1,300 300 | 2,010 | 1,300 300 | 2,010 |

Note: Save for the above fees, no other fees were paid by the Company this Year.

The Company appoints its auditors at general meetings and the auditors appointed by the Company shall hold office until conclusion of the next annual general meeting. To dismiss any auditor during its term of office shall be subject to the consideration and approval at general meetings. Currently, the Audit Committee has discussed and assessed the professional qualification of Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) and Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants and the annual audit for 2020 performed by them, and raised opinions and recommendations in respect thereof. The Audit Committee's proposals to re-appoint Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants and Shinewing Certified Public Accountants and Shinewing Certified Public Accountants for 2021 respectively were approved by the Board and will be presented at the 2020 AGM for consideration and approval.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT (CONTINUED)

(IV) Information Disclosure and Investor Relations

Information disclosure

To disclose information in a true, accurate, timely and complete manner is not only the responsibility and obligation of listed companies, but also a channel of communication and understanding between a company and its investors and the public. On the principle of being open, just and fair, during the Reporting Period, the Company complied with the requirements under relevant laws and the Listing Rules of the SSE and the Stock Exchange and fulfilled its statutory disclosure obligations in an honest manner, so as to ensure that all Shareholders enjoy an equal and sufficient access to information, and improve the transparency of the Company.

During the Reporting Period, the Company released 4 periodic reports and 71 announcements concerning A Shares and 71 announcements concerning H Shares pursuant to the Listing Rules of the SSE and the Stock Exchange. Announcements concerning A Shares were published on the websites of the SSE and the Company as well as in China Securities Journal and Shanghai Securities News, while those concerning H Shares were published on the websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company. Details of all these announcements are available for inspection on http://www.sse.com.cn, http://www.hkex.com.hk or the Company's website http://www.cygs.com.

Investor relations

The Company's management has been attaching importance to proactive investor relations management and specifically established the Rules Governing Information Disclosure Matters and Work System of Investor Relations, etc., to regulate and optimize the Company's management of investor relations.

During the Reporting Period, on the basis of strictly discharging its obligations in respect of statutory information disclosure, the Company, on one hand, through various forms of investor relations activities, conveyed information to investors which they are concerned with, increased the transparency of the Company, and enhanced mutual understanding and trust, while on the other hand, in delivering information to investors, the Company listened to their advice and collected feedback from them, aiming to form an interactive and mutual beneficial relation between the Company and investors. When the Company conducts its investor relations work, the Board Office of the Company undertake the specific responsibility for investor relations management mainly through: the investor hotline, e-mail and network interactive platform, responding to investors' inquiries in a timely manner; reception of investors and institutions engaged in securities analysis for field research; participating in large-scale investor presentations; hosting results presentations as well as domestic and overseas road shows; publishing information related to the Company's assets, traffic flow, toll income, information disclosure and corporate governance on the Company's website, etc.

IV. CONCLUSION

Sound corporate governance goes beyond merely meeting the regulatory authorities' basic requirements for listed companies' operation. More importantly, it fulfills the Company's internal development needs. The Company is committed to continuously enhancing its corporate governance standard. As a listed company with both A Shares and H Shares, we will continue to review and improve the Company's corporate governance practice from time to time in accordance with the regulatory systems in Shanghai and Hong Kong, market trend and feedback from investors to ensure steady development of the Company and continuous increase in Shareholders' value.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Board hereby presents its report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Group is principally engaged in the investment, construction, operation and management of expressway infrastructure projects, and carries out diversified operations which are highly relevant to our principal business. Details of the principal activities of the subsidiaries of the Company are set out in note 1 to the financial statements. There were no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year.

Particulars of the expressways managed and operated by the Group as at 31 December 2020 are as follows:

| | Origin/destination | Approximate length | Date of commencement of official operations of the toll expressway |
|---|---|---|---|
| Chengyu Expressway Chengya Expressway Chengren Expressway ^(Note1) Chengle Expressway Chengbei Exit Expressway Suixi Expressway ^(Note2) | Chengdu/Sangjiapo Chengdu/Duiyan Jiangjia/Zhichanggou Qinglongchang/Guliba Qinglongchang/Baihelin Jixiang Town Fushanba/Taiping interchange | 226km 144.2km 106.613km 86.44km 10.35km 67.644km | 7 October 1997 1 January 2000 18 September 2012 1 January 2000 21 December 1998 9 October 2016 |
| Suiguang Expressway (Note2) | Jinqiao interchange/Hongtudi interchange | 102.941km | 9 October 2016 |

Note:

- 1. Chengren Expressway obtained formal toll collection approval in October 2020, with a toll collection period of 29 years and 300 days.
- 2. According to the Toll Pricing Measure on Vehicles on Expressways of Sichuan Province (《四川省高速公路車輛通行費定價辦法》) issued by the SPDT, the NDRC of Sichuan Province and Department of Finance of Sichuan Province in November 2020, which specifies that for the projects with definite toll standard but indefinite toll terms, the toll standard remains unchanged and the toll terms shall be applied and approved under the measure, Suixi Expressway and Suiguang Expressway will be applied and approved according to relevant regulations.

BUSINESS REVIEW

The business review conducted in accordance with the specified items in Schedule 5 of Hong Kong Company Ordinance includes detailed descriptions of group business, revelation of the possible trend of development of the Group business, the analysis on key financial performance indicators as well as the introduction of the relationships between the Group and its employees, which were respectively included in the following sections of the Annual Report: "Chairman's Statement", "Management's Discussion and Analysis", "Corporate Governance Report", "Profile of Directors, Supervisors, Senior Management and Employees". The aforesaid discussions and analyses shall constitute an integral part of Report of the Directors.

The business review conducted in accordance with other specified items in Schedule 5 includes major risks and uncertainties faced by the Group, major events that produced significant influences on the Group after the close of the financial year of 2020, the introduction of the relationships between the Group and its customers and suppliers, the compliance of the Group with influential laws and regulations as well as the environmental policies and performances of the Company, which were included in this "Report of the Directors".

PRINCIPLE RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES OF THE COMPANY

The risks faced by an enterprise refer to the impact of future uncertainties on the business objectives to be achieved by the enterprise. The Group is principally engaged in the investment, construction, operation and management of infrastructure such as toll roads. In recent years, with the rapid development and scale expansion of the Group's business, the risks faced by the Group are also increasing, primarily including policy risks, market risks, financial risks and management risks and others. The Company attaches great importance to the above risks, takes the initiative to identify, evaluate and respond to the risks arising during the course of business, and will gradually establish and improve the systematic risk management mechanism.

1. Policy risks and the corresponding measures

(1) Policy risks

a. Adjustment to tolling policy

The earnings of the Group were mainly derived from the operation and investment of toll roads. According to the relevant provisions of the "Highway Law", "the Regulations on Administration of Toll Roads" and "the Regulations for Expressways of Sichuan Province", the expressway company itself does not have the discretion pricing right concerning the tolling standard, the determination and adjustment to the tolling standard of the expressways under its management shall be reported to the provincial competent transportation authority and the commodities pricing bureau at the same level for their review and approval. In the event of significant changes in the operating environment, price level and operating costs and other factors, highway companies could apply for tolling adjustment, but there can be no assurance that the application may be approved in time. In addition, if the Government has introduced a new highway toll policy, expressway companies should implement these policies in accordance with the provisions, which in turn to some extent will affect the stability of its operating efficiency.

b. Restrictions on terms of operation

According to the provisions of the "Regulations on Administration of Toll Roads", the tolling terms for toll roads shall be reviewed and approved by the people's government of the relevant province, autonomous region or municipality in accordance with the relevant standards. The term of toll collection of operational roads in central and western provinces, autonomous regions or municipalities designated by the State shall not be longer than 30 years. According to the documents approved by relevant competent department of Sichuan Province, the terms of toll collections of the existing roads under management by the Group, such as Chengyu Expressway, Chengya Expressway, Chengbei Exit Expressway, Chengle Expressway and Chengren Expressway and Suiguang Expressway will apply for toll collection according to relevant regulations). Therefore, in the event that the toll collection terms of the Group's existing expressways expire and the Company has no other newly constructed or acquired operational expressway projects replenish in a timely manner, it will adversely affect the Company's sustainable profitability and operating results.

c. Adjustment of fee collection method

From 1 January 2020, all the inter-provincial toll stations alongside expressways in China have been removed, the system of non-stop toll collection system has been officially used, and the significant adjustment of the expressway toll collection mode has brought new challenges to the management of toll roads of the Company. Firstly, at the beginning of the launch of new toll system, there were some technical and operational problems in actual operation process, which tested the performance of the Company's equipment and facilities and the technical level of managers; secondly, under the ETC toll mode, the unstable factors in the sorting system have an increasing impact on toll revenue, and at the same time, it has increased the difficulty in the inspection of toll. Moreover, the Company will face the problem of transferring a large number of charging personnel to other posts due to the fact that electronic toll has significantly replaced the manual toll.

(2) Corresponding measures

For policy risks, on the one hand, the Company should take the initiative to strengthen communication with and report to the competent governmental departments, so as to receive the support from the government support and recognition of the society; on the other hand, the Company should strengthen its corporate strengths to improve its risk resistance ability. To this end, the Company will make investments in new projects with good development potential, and by means of roll development, to promote the continuous growth of the asset scale and operating performance of the Company. In addition, the Company will, in accordance with the principle of proactiveness and prudence, make full use of its own advantages in management and technology and other resources, strive to develop city operation, energy investments, financial investments and other businesses to actively study and make an attempt on the industries and businesses relevant to toll roads and core business of the Company, and to implement the diversified development strategy highly related to the principal businesses. In addition, upon the completion of the grid-connected switching of the toll system, the Company actively reported to and communicated with the business department and the settlement center, strengthened the upgrading of the toll system and continuously improved the operating process of system and regulations, so as to improve the modernization level of the operation and management of toll roads; the Company carried out a series of job-transfer training to toll-collection staff in a timely manner, and coordinated the deployment and completed the resettlement work properly on the basis of respecting the willingness of toll collectors and in combination with the actual situation of each company within the Group.

2. Market risks and the corresponding measures

(1) Market risks

a. Risks relevant to macroeconomic fluctuation

Road traffic and turnover are highly correlated with gross domestic product (GDP). With respect to the expressway, macroeconomic fluctuations will result in changes of the transport capacity (representing the changes in road traffic flow and total amount of charges) required by the economic activities, which will directly affect the expressway company's operating performance. Although the long-term trend of steady economic development of China will not change, the current economic descending pressure should also be placed great emphasis on. New circumstances and new problems continuously arising in the international and domestic economic operation will also be a concern and challenge to China's economy. These factors will bring uncertainty to the operation of the Group's toll road projects.

b. Risks relevant to road network changes

To accelerate the construction of comprehensive transport hub in western Sichuan province to build up full-fledged urban transport, the government and transportation authorities aim to establish a comprehensive and convenient road network through revision and improvement of plans and designs of regional road network as appropriate and the initiatives such as constructing new expressways and fast lines. According to the Planning of Sichuan Province Expressway Network (2019-2035) (《四川省高速公 路網規劃(2019-2035年)》), the expressway mileage in the province will reach 16,100 kilometers (not including the expansion multiple lines mileage) by 2035. During the latter part of the Thirteenth Five-Year Plan period and the Fourteenth Five-Year Plan period, Sichuan will continue to accelerate the construction of inter-provincial channels, urban agglomeration channels and "bottleneck" roads to promote the expressway to maintain a certain development speed. After the implementation of the plan, a provincial expressway network of "one trunk and multiple rings radiating, multiple branches with high-efficiency networking and convenient connection of ecological demonstration areas (一干多環放射、多支高效聯網、生態示範區便捷連通") will be built to support the basic formation of "123 travel circles in the country", with the density of the provincial highway network reaching 3.31km/100km². The incremental stimulus generated by competitive or synergistic road network changes and short-term diversion and long-term network effects, to some extent will bring both positive or negative impact on the Group's expressways.

(2) Corresponding measures

For market risks, the Company will continue to track and analyze macroeconomic environment, national policies as well as the impact of regional economy where the road assets of the Company is located on the business and operation of the Company, and set up appropriate response strategies, striving to reduce the impact of macroeconomic fluctuations on the Company's business activities. Meanwhile, the Company will strengthen the communications with the Government and the peers, to timely understand road network planning, project construction progress and subsequent planning adjustment, and carry out network research and analysis in advance, so as to accurately master the traffic trends to ensure accuracy of operation and development strategic decisions of the Company.

3. Financial risks and the corresponding measures

(1) Financial risks

a. Potential tax risks

The potential tax risks of the Company mainly include two aspects: on the one hand, the tax activities of the Company may not comply with the provisions of the tax laws and regulations. The Company may face the risks of paying overdue taxes, fines, overdue fines, or suffering penalties and reputation damage in respect for its unpaid or less paid taxes for the taxable items; on the other hand, the applicable tax law for our business practices may not be appropriate. We may have paid more taxes or borne unnecessary tax burdens since we may have not taken full advantage of relevant preferential policies.

b. Financing risks

With the increase number of investment projects, the investment scale has maintained a rapid growth, the external financing needs of the Company has gradually become bigger. Under the current monetary policy, the borrowing costs from domestic commercial banks are relatively higher, and the borrowings are limited by the control of lending scale and investment direction from the banks. In order to meet future development needs and make full use of its own advantages as A+H shares listed companies, the Company continues exploring to construct a multi-level, multi-channel financing model, so to achieve maximum optimization of capital costs and financing structure. Besides, our efforts of exploring new financing methods and channels will inevitably involves a large number of previously unfamiliar regulatory policies, laws and regulations, and we may bear relevant risks if we lack of understanding.

(2) Corresponding measures

In view of the potential tax risks, the Company has adopted more effective tax risk prevention measures. Firstly, strengthened the learning about tax laws, regulations and policies, actively seek for business guidance from tax collection and inspection authorities; secondly, hired tax consulting services agents to provide advices in respect of our tax activities; thirdly, designed control measures for the potential tax risk points, and strengthened the inspection and control of the work process of tax business. In view of the financing risks, the Company has adopted the following risk control measures: Firstly, strengthened the training of relevant personnel to guide their continuous learning and growth; Secondly, established strategic cooperative partnership with domestic and foreign financial institutions, and ensured mutual benefit and win-win results through long-term stable cooperation; thirdly, appointed intermediaries when necessary to provide professional advice on the Company's financing decisions and implementation of financing programs.

4. Management risks and the corresponding measures

(1) Management risks

a. Daily operational risks and natural disaster risks

After the completion and opening of the expressways, regular maintenances of the road are needed to ensure good road condition. In case of large repair area or long maintenance time, traffic flow will be affected. In our operation, in the event of floods, landslides, earthquakes and other unforeseen natural disasters, expressways are likely to be serious damaged and cannot work normally for a period of time. In case of fog, severe snow and ice, the expressway will be closed for a period of time. Serious traffic accident may cause traffic jams or weaken the traffic capacity or damage roads or bridges. The emergence of these situations will directly lead to the reduction in toll revenue and increase in maintenance costs, thus affecting the operating results of expressway companies.

b. Investment risks of expressway projects

The expressway industry features large investment and long payback period. It is a typical capital-intensive industry. Therefore, the investment strategy and decision of the project are the key factors to determine the asset quality and profit level of the Company. The Group regularly reviews and adjusts the investment strategies and utilizes external professional reports such as Feasibility Study Report, Traffic Volume Forecast and Valuation Report to maximize the quality of project evaluation. However, due to the complexity of the external environment, when the main assumptions or basic data of the project changes, the actual effect of project investment may not meet the expectation.

(2) Corresponding measures

In view of the above management risks, the Company has continued and will continue to take the following preventive and responding measures: strengthen the preventative maintenance and repairment of roads and reasonably arrange for the implementation of the project; effectively carry on comprehensive management measures by virtue of traffic law, highspeed traffic police and the Company's road asset management; strengthen road inspection under special weather conditions and ensure good road condition as well as safe and smooth traffic condition; vigorously implement the collection, research, demonstration and reserve work of high-quality projects, make timely adjustment of the project investment strategy, and create more profit growth points for the Group; strengthen the researches for capital recovery risks of BT projects, further improve the terms of relevant repurchase guarantee contracts and reduce the capital recovery risks of BT project; in addition, we shall actively explore infrastructure investment cooperation under PPP model and continue promoting internal control system and improving the standardization, refinement level of the Group's management while strengthening the implementation efficiency and innovation ability, so as to enhance the comprehensive management ability.

IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The business of the Group is mainly conducted by the subsidiaries of the Company in PRC. The Company is listed on the SSE and the Stock Exchange. Within the year of 2016, the Company successfully acquired 100% of the stake of CSI SCE (incorporated in Hong Kong), therefore, the Group shall comply with relevant laws and regulations in Mainland China, Hong Kong and the respective places of incorporation of the Company and its subsidiaries.

During the year and up to the date of this annual report, the Board was unaware of any non-compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the business and operations of the Group.

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PERFORMANCES

The Board of the Company highly values the relevant environmental, social and governance ("ESG") matters, and approved and established the ESG work leading group. The Board supervises the matters related to ESG (including the ESG management principles, development strategies and relevant objective supervision) through the leading group.

The chairman of the Company shall be the leader of the leading group, the vice chairman, the general manager and chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Company shall be the deputy leaders, the other members of the executives of the Company shall be the members of the leading group, and shall conduct comprehensive management over the ESG work of the Group.

The leading group has established the ESG office, the director of which shall be served by the director of the Board office of the Company, the members of which shall be comprised of the persons in charge of all departments of the parent company of the Company, primarily being responsible for and coordinating the specific matters and daily management of ESG works:

- to establish a complete ESG data ledger and conduct the quantitative and qualitative statistical analysis;
- to set up ESG work objective, and improve ESG performance;
- to complete ESG work conclusion and data archiving of relevant businesses;
- to guide the implementation of the relevant ESG works of the branches and all subsidiaries;
- to report the works to the leading group.

In addition, the persons in charge of branches and all subsidiaries under the Company shall be the first responsible person of their respective ESG works. The branches and all subsidiaries shall establish the corresponding governance structure and comprehensively strengthen the ESG works with reference to the governance structure of ESG work of the parent company of the Company.

The "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" required by the Listing Rules of the Stock Exchange has been published by the Company on 30 March 2021. Details about the environmental policy and performances, please refer to the "2020 Environmental, Social and Governance Report".

CHARITABLE DONATION

During the reporting period, the funds and materials devoted by the Group for charity and social benefit amounted to RMB7,407,200.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The Group's profit for the year ended 31 December 2020 and the financial conditions of the Company and the Group at that date are set out in the audited financial statements on pages 123 to 232 herein.

Pursuant to the Articles of Association of the Company, if the Company distributes cash dividend, the Company shall distribute cash dividend in an amount not less than 30% of the distributable profit earned by the Company for the period concerned, based on the lower of the Company's profits determined under the following generally accepted accounting principles:

- the accounting principles and the relevant financial regulations applicable to joint-stock companies with limited liabilities established in the PRC ("PRC GAAP"); and
- Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which also include Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong ("HK GAAP") and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

The Board has recommended a final cash dividend for the year 2020 of RMB0.08 per share of ordinary shares (tax inclusive), aggregating to approximately RMB244,645,000 and representing 47.24% of the distributable profit of the Company determined under PRC GAAP for the year and 36.27% of the profit attributable to owners of the Company as shown in the consolidated financial statements. The proposed dividend distribution is subject to the approval of the Shareholders at the Company's forthcoming 2020 AGM. If approved, the final dividend is expected to be paid on or around Tuesday, 6 July 2021 to the Shareholders whose names appear on the H Shares register of members of the Company on Tuesday, 8 June 2021 (the "Dividend Entitlement Date"). In respect of the arrangement in relation to the closures of H Shares register of members of members of entitlement to attend the 2020 AGM and to receive the proposed 2020 final dividend, please refer to the paragraph headed "CLOSURES OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF H SHARES" below.

This proposed final dividend has been incorporated in the financial statements as an allocation of retained profits within the equity section of the statement of financial position.

According to the Law on Corporate Income Tax of the People's Republic of China and its implementing rules which has come into effect since 1 January 2008 and other relevant rules, a PRC domestic enterprise which pays dividend to a non-resident enterprise Shareholder in respect of accounting period beginning from 1 January 2008 shall withhold and pay enterprise income tax at the rate of 10%. The Company, as a PRC domestic enterprise, is required to withhold and pay corporate income tax at the rate of 10% before distributing the final dividend to non-resident enterprise Shareholders as appearing on the H Shares register of members of the Company. Any Shares registered in the name of the non-individual registered Shareholders, including HKSCC Nominees Limited, other nominees, trustees or other groups and organizations will be treated as being held by non-resident enterprise Shareholders and therefore will be subject to the withholding and paying of the corporate income tax by the Company.

Should the holders of H Shares have any doubt in relation to the aforesaid arrangements, they are recommended to consult their tax advisors for relevant tax impact in the PRC, Hong Kong and/or other countries (regions) on the possession and disposal of the H Shares.

Shareholders should read the information herein carefully. If anyone would like to change the identity of Shareholder, please enquire about the relevant procedures with the nominees or trustees. The Company is neither obligated nor responsible for ascertaining the identity of the Shareholders. In addition, the Company will withhold and pay the corporate income tax in strict compliance with the relevant regulations or provisions and strictly based on what has been registered on the Company's H Shares register of members as at the Dividend Entitlement Date. The Company will disregard and assume no liabilities for any requests or claims in relation to any delay or inaccuracy in ascertaining the identity of the Shareholders or any disputes over the mechanism of withholding and paying corporate income tax.

Shareholders are advised that the aforesaid arrangements are not applicable to the arrangements for distribution of the final dividend in respect of A Shares, which however will be published in a separate announcement on the SSE by the Company.

DISTRIBUTION OF DIVIDENDS TO INVESTORS UNDER SOUTHBOUND TRADING LINK

According to relevant requirements in the Notice on Taxation Policies concerning the Pilot Program of an Interconnection Mechanism for Transactions in the Shanghai and Hong Kong Stock Markets《關於滬港 股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關税收政策的通知》(Cai Shui [2014] No. 81), Notice on Taxation Policies concerning the Pilot Program of an Interconnection Mechanism for Transactions in the Shenzhen and Hong Kong Stock Markets《關於深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關税收政策的通知》(Cai Shui [2014] No. 81), Notice on Taxation Policies concerning the Pilot Program of an Interconnection Mechanism for Transactions in the Shenzhen and Hong Kong Stock Markets《關於深港股票市場交易互聯互通機制試點有關税收政策的通知》(Cai Shui [2016] No. 127), individual income tax (tax rate of 20%) shall be deducted by H Share companies from dividends received from investments in H Shares listed in the Stock Exchange through Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect and Shenzhen-Hong Kong Stock Connect by individuals and securities investment funds from Mainland China (excluding enterprise investors from Mainland China, which shall be declared and paid by themselves).

An agreement will be entered into between the Company and China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited regarding the aforementioned dividend distribution arrangements to the investors under Southbound Trading Link, pursuant to which, China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited, as the nominal holder of H Shares for Southbound Trading Link, will receive cash dividend declared by the Company and distribute them to relevant investors under Southbound Trading Link through its registration and settlement system. Cash dividend received by investors under Southbound Trading Link shall be settled in RMB. The Dividend Entitlement Date, cash dividend payment date and other time arrangements for investors under Southbound Trading Link shall be in line with that of Shareholders of H Shares of the Company. China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited will distribute cash dividend to the investors under Southbound Trading Link within 3 Southbound Trading Link trading days after the cash dividend payment date.

Shareholders are advised that the aforesaid arrangements are not applicable in relation to the time and the arrangements for distribution of the final dividend in respect of A Shares, which however will be published in a separate announcement at the SSE by the Company.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A summary of the published results, assets and liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the audited financial statements, and restated/reclassified as appropriate, is set out below. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

| | Year ended 31 December | | | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| | | | | | |
| RESULTS | | | | | |
| Profit before tax | 991,607 | 1,463,539 | 1,205,912 | 1,310,527 | 1,436,843 |
| Income tax expense | (257,710) | (330,250) | (304,086) | (329,373) | (294,950) |
| | | | | | |
| PROFIT FOR THE YEAR | 733,897 | 1,133,289 | 901,826 | 981,154 | 1,141,893 |
| Other comprehensive income/ | (1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | | | 1.005 | |
| (loss), net of tax | (76,590) | 6,552 | (12,635) | 1,903 | (4,487) |
| | | | | | |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE | | | | | |
| INCOME FOR THE YEAR | 657,307 | 1,139,841 | 889,191 | 983,057 | 1,137,406 |
| | | | | | |
| Profit attributable to: | | | | | |
| Owners of the Company | 674,809 | 1,086,131 | 849,638 | 894,376 | 1,056,584 |
| Non-controlling interests | 59,088 | 47,158 | 52,188 | 86,778 | 85,309 |
| | | | | | |
| | 733,897 | 1,133,289 | 901,826 | 981,154 | 1,141,893 |
| | | | | | |
| Comprehensive income | | | | | |
| attributable to: | | | | | |
| Owners of the Company | 596,805 | 1,092,098 | 837,030 | 896,279 | 1,052,097 |
| Non-controlling interests | 60,502 | 47,743 | 52,161 | 86,778 | 85,309 |
| | | | | | |
| | 657,307 | 1,139,841 | 889,191 | 983,057 | 1,137,406 |
| | | | | | |

| | As at 31 December | | | | |
|------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| | | | | | |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 40,404,381 | 37,860,574 | 36,035,058 | 34,265,735 | 36,351,121 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | (23,870,700) | (21,706,606) | (21,150,659) | (19,981,022) | (22,467,089) |
| | | | | | |
| NON-CONTROLLING | | | | | |
| INTERESTS | (998,647) | (876,070) | (392,793) | (390,639) | (559,829) |
| | | | | | |
| ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS | | | | | |
| OF THE COMPANY | 15,535,034 | 15,277,898 | 14,491,606 | 13,894,074 | 13,324,203 |

ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment of the Group during the year are set out in note 12 to the financial statements, which constitutes part of the Report of the Directors.

SHARE CAPITAL

There were no movements in either the Company's registered or issued share capital during the year.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's Articles of Association or the laws of the PRC which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to the existing Shareholders.

REPURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Neither the Company, nor any of its subsidiaries repurchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year.

RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 33 to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity, respectively.

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

As at 31 December 2020, the Company's reserves available for distribution, calculated in accordance with HK GAAP amounted to RMB5,372,096,000, The Company's distributable reserves as at 31 December 2020 determined under HK GAAP were lower than those determined under PRC GAAP. In addition, in accordance with the Company Law of the PRC, the Company's share premium account, in the amount of RMB2,654,601,000 may be distributed in the form of bonus shares.

MAJOR CUSTOMERS

The combined revenue attributable to the five largest customers of the Group accounted for less than 30% of the total revenue of the Group during the year.

SERVICE VENDORS

Sound relationships with key service vendors of the Group are important in supply chain, premises management and meeting business needs, which can derive cost effectiveness and foster long term business benefits. The key service vendors comprise equipment vendors, construction material vendors, oil products vendors, external consultants which provide professional services and other business partners which provide value-added services to the Group.

Total purchases attributable to the top five service vendors and the proportion over total purchases for the year is listed as below:

| No. | Name | Purchase <i>RMB'000</i> | Percentage over the total annual (%) |
|-----|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| 1 | Sichuan Transportation Construction Engineering Co., Ltd. | 1,359,012 | 14 |
| 2 | PetroChina Company Limited Sichuan Sales Chengdu Branch, Ziyang Branch and etc. | 806,070 | 8 |
| 3 | Finance Bureau of Qionglai, Sichuan Province | 600,000 | 6 |
| 4 | China Construction Eighth Engineering Division. Corp. Ltd. (中國建築第八工程局有限公司) | 247,865 | 3 |
| 5 | Sinopec Sales Company Limited Sichuan Chengdu Petroleum Branch (中國石化銷售股份有限公司四川成都石 油分公司) | 209,071 | 2 |
| Tot | al | 3,222,018 | 33 |

During the Year, none of the Directors and Supervisors or their close associates, or Shareholders who, to the best knowledge of the Directors and Supervisors own more than 5% of the issued share capital of the Company, have any actual interests in the top five service vendors of the Group.

As at 31 December 2020, the Directors and Supervisors of the Company were:

Executive Directors:

Mr. Gan Yongyi *(Chairman)*⁽¹⁾ Mr. Li Wenhu *(Vice Chairman, General Manager)*⁽²⁾ Madam Ma Yonghan⁽³⁾ Mr. You Zhiming *(Deputy General Manager)*⁽⁴⁾ Mr. He Zhuqing

Non-executive Directors ⁽⁵⁾:

Mr. Yang Guofeng *(Vice Chairman)* ⁽⁶⁾ Mr. Li Chengyong

Independent Non-executive Directors:

Madam Liu Lina Mr. Gao Jinkang Mr. Yan Qixiang Madam Bu Danlu

Supervisors (7):

Mr. Luo Maoquan ⁽⁸⁾ Mr. Ling Xiyun Mr. Wang Yao Madam Gao Ying ⁽⁹⁾ Madam Li Tao Mr. Hu Yaosheng

Notes:

- (1) Mr. Gan Yongyi served as the Chairman, executive Director, and General Manager of the Company from 17 January 2020, and resigned as the General Manager of the Company on 27 July 2020.
- (2) Mr Li Wenhu has served as the Vice Chairman, executive Director and General Manager of the Company since 27 July 2020.
- (3) Madam Ma Yonghan has served as the executive Director of Company since 3 June 2020.
- (4) Mr. You Zhiming has served as the executive Director, and Deputy General Manager of the Company since 29 April 2020.
- (5) Mr. Ni Shilin resigned as the Director and Vice Chairman of the Company on 29 April 2020.
- (6) Mr. Yang Guofeng has served as the Vice Chairman and non-executive Director of the Company since 3 June 2020.
- (7) Mr. Feng Bing and Mr. Meng Jie resigned as the Supervisor, Chairman of the Supervisory Committee and the Supervisor of the Company respectively on 3 June 2020.
- (8) Mr. Luo Maoquan resigned as the executive Director and Deputy General Manager of the Company on 29 April 2020 and has served as the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Company since 3 June 2020.
- (9) Madam Gao Ying has served as a Supervisor of the Company since 3 June 2020.

All the members of the Board and Supervisory Committee of the Company were appointed for a term of three years from the date of 13 November 2019 until expiry of the seventh session of the Board and the Supervisory Committee.

The Company has received from each independent non-executive Director an annual confirmation of his/her independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Company considers all of the independent non-executive Directors are independent.

DIRECTORS', SUPERVISORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S BIOGRAPHIES

Biographical details of the Directors and the Supervisors of the Company and the senior management of the Group are set out under the section of "Profile of Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management" of the annual report, which constitutes part of the Report of the Directors.

DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

Each of the Directors of the Company has entered into a service contract with the Company from their respective date of appointment for a term of three years. None of the Directors of the Company has entered into any service contract with the Company which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

DIRECTORS' AND SUPERVISORS' INTERESTS IN MAJOR CONTRACTS

None of the Directors and Supervisors had a material interest, either directly or indirectly, in any contract of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company, its holding company, or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries was a party during the year.

DIRECTORS', SUPERVISORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2020, interests and short positions held by Directors, Supervisors and chief executives of the Company in Shares, underlying shares or bonds of the Company or its associated corporation (as defined in Part XV of the SFO) that, by virtue of Parts 7 and 8 of the SFO, which shall be reported to the Company and the Stock Exchange (including interests and short positions, by virtue of the SFO or other regulations, deemed to be or treated as held by these directors, supervisors and chief executives); or any interests or short positions that shall be recorded in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO; or interests or short positions that, by virtue of Model Code as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules, shall be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange, are as follows:

| Name | Class of Shares | Long position/ Short position | Number of the Company's Shares held | Approximate percentage in the total share capital of the Company | Approximate percentage in A/H Shares | Capacity |
|-------------|--------------------|--|--|---|---|------------------|
| Gan Yongyi | A Shares | Long position | 50,000 | 0.0016% | 0.0023% | Beneficial owner |
| Luo Maoquan | A Shares | Long position | 10,000 | 0.0003% | 0.0005% | Beneficial owner |

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Save for service contracts, no other contracts, relating to the management and/or administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into during the year.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The remuneration of the Directors of the Company (including Executive Directors and Independent Nonexecutive Directors) on a named basis are set out in note 8 to the financial statements during the Year, which constitutes part of the Report of the Directors.

INDEMNITY PROVISION

Since March 2012, the Company has purchased liability insurance for Directors, Supervisors and senior management of the Company in relation to their performance of duties.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' AND OTHER PERSONS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

As at 31 December 2020, the following interests and short position of the Shares and underlying shares of the Company held by substantial Shareholders or other persons (other than the Directors, Supervisors and chief executives of the Company) were recorded in the register of interests required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange are set out below:

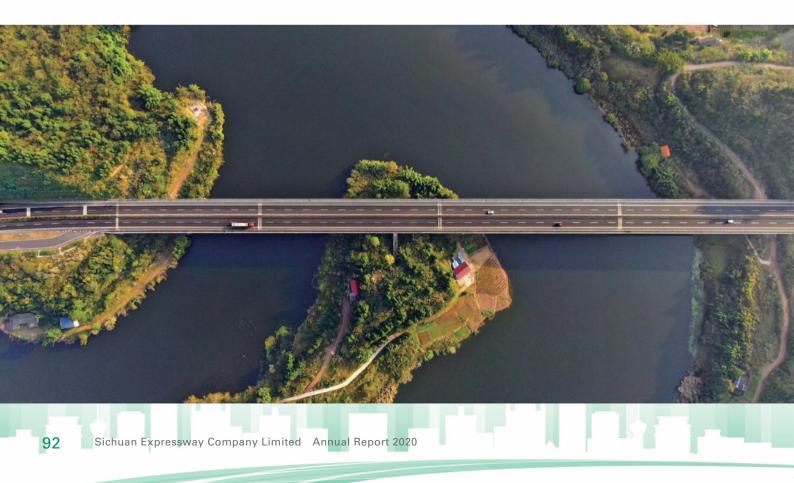
| Name | Class of Shares | Long position/ Short position | Number of the Company's Shares held | Approximate percentage in the total share capital of the Company | Approximate percentage in A/H Shares | Capacity |
|----------------|--------------------|--|---|---|--|-------------------------------|
| STIG | A Shares | Long Position | 1,035,915,462 | 33.87% | 47.90% | Beneficial owner |
| | H Shares | Long Position | 60,854,200 | 1.99% | 6.80% | Beneficial owner |
| | | Total: | 1,096,769,662 | 35.86% | - | Beneficial owner |
| China Merchant | A Shares | Long Position | 664,487,376 | 21.73% | 30.72% | Beneficial owner |
| Expressway | H Shares | Long Position | 96,458,000 | 3.15% | 10.77% | Interest in controlled |
| Company | | Total: | 760,945,376 | 24.88% | | corporation ^(Note) |

Note: Cornerstone Holdings Limited is wholly owned by China Merchant Expressway Company, which is therefore deemed to be interested in the H shares held by Cornerstone Holdings Limited under the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2020, no person had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that was required to be recorded pursuant to section 336 of the SFO.

DIRECTORS' AND SUPERVISORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESSES

During the year and up to the date of this annual report, none of the Directors or Supervisors of the Company were considered to have any interests in a business which competes or is likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the businesses of the Group, as defined under the Listing Rules.



CONTINUING CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the Company and the Group had the following continuing connected transactions with parties regarded as connected persons under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules:

- (a) On 24 December 2010, the Company and Sichuan Zhineng Transportation System Management Company Limited ("Zhineng Company"), entered into a service agreement, in relation to provision of a computer system on expressways network toll fee collection and technological services to the expressways of the Company, with a service charge of 0.4% of toll income for a term of 3 years from 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2013. On 11 December 2013, the Company renewed the service agreement with Zhineng Company for a term of 3 years from 1 January 2014 to 31 December 2016, with a service charge of 0.4% of toll income or RMB15,000,000 per annum, whichever is lower. On 13 December 2016, the Company renewed the service agreement with Zhineng Company for a term of 2 years from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2018, with a service charge of 0.4% of toll income or RMB15,000,000 per annum, whichever is lower. On 29 November 2018, the Company renewed the service agreement with Zhineng Company for a term of 3 years from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2021, with a service charge of 0.4% of toll income or RMB25,000,000 per annum, whichever is lower. During the year, the Group paid a total of approximately RMB12,393,000 (2019: RMB16,081,000) to Zhineng Company as service fee.
- (b) On 1 October 2010, the Company entered into a one year tenancy agreement with STIG Group whereby the Company leased out a certain part of its office buildings to STIG Group at an annual rental of RMB2,035,000. The tenancy agreement was extended at the same annual rental for another one year when the first tenancy agreement expired on 1 October 2011, and was extended at RMB2,442,000 per annum to 1 October 2016 since 1 October 2012. On 1 October 2016, the tenancy agreement was extended at RMB2,442,000 per annum to 1 October 2016 per annum to 1 October 2017. On 1 October 2017, the tenancy agreement was extended at RMB2,442,000 per annum to 1 October 2018. On 1 October 2018, the tenancy agreement was extended at RMB2,442,000 per annum to 1 October 2018. On 1 October 2019, the tenancy agreement was extended at RMB2,442,000 per annum to 31 December 2021. During the year, the rental received from STIG Group amounted to RMB2,442,000 (2019: RMB2,442,000).

(c) On 7 November 2019, the Company and STIG entered into continuing connected transactions – Construction Framework Agreement ("Previous Construction Framework Agreement"). Connected party transaction amounts recognised in this year are as below:

During the year, Transportation Construction Company was engaged by the Group to undertake various construction work of expressways and ancillary facilities; daily maintenance work of expressways and ancillary facilities; emergency or rescue works of expressways and ancillary and municipal construction works. Construction revenue recognised during the year amounted to RMB1,359,012,000(2019: RMB1,824,780,000), which was below the annual cap amount of RMB4,550,000,000.

As the Previous Construction Framework Agreement entered into between the Company and STIG expired on 31 December 2020, the Company and STIG entered into a construction framework agreement on 19 November 2020, pursuant to which, STIG and its subsidiaries (other than the Group) shall contract certain construction services from the Group for the period from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021.

(d) On 25 January 2018, the Company and STIG entered into continuing connected transactions – Purchase Framework Agreements. Connected party transaction amounts recognised in this year are as below:

During the year, the Group purchased materials from STIG Group, which mainly included raw materials, machinery and electronic equipment for various infrastructure construction projects, and other raw materials and equipment. The cumulative purchase amount recognised during the year amounted to RMB760,000 (2019: RMB661,000), which was below the annual cap amount of RMB30,000,000.

(e) On 27 December 2018, the Company and PetroChina Sichuan Sales Branch entered into the Refined Oil Agreement. Connected party transaction in this year is as below:

Pursuant to the Refined Oil Agreement entered into between the Company and PetroChina Company Limited Sichuan Sales Branch (中國石油天然氣股份有限公司四川銷售分公司), Zhonglu Energy agreed to purchase refined oil from PetroChina Sichuan Sales Branch for the year from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019. On 31 December 2019, the Company and PetroChina Sichuan Sales Branch agreed to renew the transaction terms. Zhonglu Energy agreed to purchase refined oil from PetroChina Sichuan Sales Branch agreed to renew the transaction terms. Zhonglu Energy agreed to purchase refined oil from PetroChina Sichuan Sales Branch for the year from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020, with the annual cap being RMB1,600,000,000. Purchase amount recognised during the year approximate to RMB806,070,000 (2019: RMB1,071,365,000), which was below the cap amount of RMB1,600,000,000. PetroChina Company Limited Sichuan Sales Branch is a subsidiary of PetroChina Company Limited (中國石油天然氣股份有限公司), which holds 49% equity interest in Zhonglu Energy.

(f) On 26 August 2016, Renshou Landmark Company and Sichuan Trading Real Estate entered into Sales Agency Framework Agreement ("Previous Sales Agency Framework Agreement"), and had the following continuing connected transactions: Pursuant to the Sales Agency Framework Agreement entered into between Renshou Landmark and Sichuan Trading Real Estate, Renshou Landmark agreed to entrust Sichuan Trading Real Estate to conduct marketing planning for the North Town Times Project for the year from 26 August 2016 to 31 December 2018. As the Previous Sales Agency Framework Agreement would expire on 31 December 2018, Renshou Landmark Company and Sichuan Trading Real Estate renewed the Sales and Promotion Agency Framework Agreement on 27 December 2018. Sichuan Trading Real Estate have agreed to serve as the sales agent and promotion agent for the North Town Times Project of Renshou Landmark Company from 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2021. The annual caps for the three financial years ending 31 December 2019, 2020 and 2021 are RMB45,000,000, RMB80,000,000 and RMB80,000,000 respectively. Sales commission recognised during 2020 amounted to RMB26,991,000 (2019: RMB17,392,000), which was below the cap amount of RMB80,000,000 for the year. Sichuan Trading Real Estate is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of STIG.

Further details of the Group's connected transactions during the year are included in note 36 to the financial statements.

The independent non-executive Directors of the Company have reviewed the continuing connected transactions set out above and have confirmed that these continuing connected transactions were entered into (i) in the ordinary and usual course of businesses of the Group; (ii) on normal commercial terms or on terms no less favourable to the Group than terms available from independent third parties; and (iii) in accordance with the relevant agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the Shareholders of the Company as a whole.

Ernst & Young, the Company's auditors, were engaged to report on the Group's continuing connected transactions in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information and with reference to Practice Note 740 Auditor's Letter on Continuing Connected Transactions under the Listing Rules issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Ernst & Young have issued their unqualified letter containing their findings and conclusions in respect of the continuing connected transactions disclosed above by the Group in accordance with Rule 14A.56 of the Listing Rules. A copy of the auditors' letter has been provided by the Company to the Stock Exchange.

SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors, at least 25% of the Company's total issued share capital was held by the public as at the date of this annual report.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Reference is made to the announcements of the Company dated 22 March 2021 and 6 April 2021 in relation to the proposed strategic restructuring of the STIG Group and SRIG Group. On 2 April 2021, STIG and SRIG entered into the merger agreement on the same date for the implementation of the restructuring. The merger agreement has been approved by State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of Sichuan Province (四川省政府國有資產監督管理委員會) and is subject to other relevant necessary approval procedures. The Restructuring, if materialized, may trigger an obligation on the part of Shudao Investment Group Company Limited (a tentative name, subject to the registration with the Administration for Industry and Commerce) to make a mandatory general offer for all the Shares other than those owned or agreed to be acquired by or parties acting in concert with it under Rule 26.1 of the Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs (the "Takeovers Code"), unless otherwise waived by the Executive. As such, it is expected that an application will be made to the Executive for the waiver of the mandatory general offer pursuant to Note 6(a) to Rule 26.1 of the Takeovers Code. Such waiver may or may not be granted by the Executive. There may exist certain uncertainties as to whether the restructuring will proceed. There is no assurance that the restructuring will materialise or eventually be consummated. As such, the restructuring may or may not proceed.

The Company shall make further announcement(s), as appropriate, in the event of any material development.

AUDITORS

For the year ended 31 December 2020, Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) and Ernst & Young acted as auditors of the Company. The Company has not changed its auditors in the past three years.

Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) and Ernst & Young retire and a resolution for their reappointment as domestic and international auditors of the Company will be proposed at the forthcoming 2020 AGM. Auditors' remuneration is set out in note 7 to the financial statements.

CLOSURES OF REGISTER OF MEMBERS OF H SHARES

For the purposes of determining the Shareholders' entitlement to attend the 2020 AGM and to receive the 2020 final dividend, the H Shares register of members of the Company will be closed during the following periods:

(a) In respect of attending and voting at the 2020 AGM

| 4:30 p.m. on 17 May 2021 (Monday) |
|---|
| From 18 May 2021 (Tuesday) to 25 May 2021 (Tuesday) |
| (both days inclusive) |
| 25 May 2021 (Tuesday) |
| 25 May 2021 (Tuesday) |
| |

(b) In respect of the entitlement to 2020 final dividend

| Deadline for lodging transfer documents | 4:30 p.m. on 2 June 2021 (Wednesday) |
|---|--|
| Closure period of the H Shares register | From 3 June 2021 (Thursday) to 8 June 2021 (Tuesday) |
| | (both days inclusive) |
| Dividend Entitlement Date | 8 June 2021 (Tuesday) |

In order to be entitled to attend and vote at the 2020 AGM, and to receive the 2020 final dividend of the Company, H shares Shareholders should ensure that all transfer documents, accompanied by the relevant share certificates are lodged with the Company's H Shares Registrar, Hong Kong Registrars Limited, at Rooms 1712–1716, 17th Floor, Hopewell Centre, 183 Queen's Road East, Wanchai, Hong Kong, before the time above designated for lodging transfer documents.

Shareholders are advised that the Company will make separate announcement on the SSE in respect of details of the arrangements regarding the distribution of 2020 final dividend to the holders of A Shares and eligibility of the holders of A Shares for attending the 2020 AGM.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

Gan Yongyi Chairman

Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC 30 March 2021



I. BASIC INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS, SUPERVISORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT FOR THE YEAR

| Name | Gender | Age | Length of services with the Company | Position during the Reporting Period | Total remuneration received from the Company for the Year (RMB0'000) (before tax) |
|--------------|--------|----------|--|---|--|
| Gan Yongyi | Male | 57 | From March 2001 to present | Chairman, Executive Director ⁽¹⁾ | 77.24 |
| Li Wenhu | Male | 43 | From November 2019 to present | Vice Chairman, Executive Director and | |
| | | | | General Manager ⁽²⁾ | 25.58 |
| Yang Guofeng | Male | 49 | From June 2020 to present | Vice Chairman, Non-executive Director | 0 |
| Ma Yonghan | Female | 41 | From June 2020 to present | Executive Director | 41.67 |
| You Zhiming | Male | 48 | From November 2019 to present | Executive Director and Deputy General Manager ⁽³⁾ | 41.67 |
| He Zhuqing | Male | 44 | From December 2013 to present | Executive Director | 62.50 |
| Li Chengyong | Male | 44 | From November 2019 to present | Non-executive Director | 02.50 |
| Liu Lina | Female | 40 63 | From July 2016 to present | Independent Non-executive Director | 8 |
| Gao Jinkang | Male | 57 | From November 2019 to present | Independent Non-executive Director | 8 |
| Yan Qixiang | Male | 49 | From November 2019 to present | Independent Non-executive Director | 8 |
| Bu Danlu | Female | 42 | From November 2019 to present | Independent Non-executive Director | 8 |
| Luo Maoguan | Male | 55 | From December 2006 to present | Chairman of Supervisory Committee ⁽⁴⁾ | 63.00 |
| Ling Xiyun | Male | 56 | From November 2019 to present | Supervisor | 0 |
| Wang Yao | Male | 48 | From November 2019 to present | Supervisor | 0 |
| Gao Ying | Female | 32 | From June 2020 to present | Supervisor | 0 0 |
| Li Tao | Female | 49 | From November 1997 to present | Supervisor | 62.50 |
| Hu Yaosheng | Male | 44 | From February 2004 to present | Supervisor | 49.70 |

Notes:

(1) Mr. Gan Yongyi has served as the Chairman, executive Director and general manager of the Company since 17 January 2020, and resigned as the General Manager of the Company since 27 July 2020.

- (2) Mr. Li Wenhu has served as the Vice Chairman, executive Director and general manager of the Company since 27 July 2020.
- (3) Mr. You Zhiming has served as the executive Director and deputy general manager of the Company since 29 April 2020.
- (4) Mr. Luo Maoquan, resigned as the executive Director and deputy general manager of the Company since 29 April 2020 and has served as the Chairman of Supervisory Committee since 3 June 2020.

| Name | Gender | Age | Length of services with the Company | Position during the Reporting Period | Total remuneration received from the Company for the Year (RMB0'000) (before tax) |
|----------------------|--------|-----|--|---|--|
| Liu Junjie | Male | 56 | From February 2009 to present | Deputy General Manager | 62.50 |
| Zhang Yongnian | Male | 58 | From August 1997 to present | Secretary to the Board | 60.62 |
| Tian Yi | Male | 53 | From December 2014 to present | Secretary of Discipline Inspection | |
| | | | | Commission | 66.76 |
| Luo Zuyi | Male | 47 | From April 1998 to present | Member of the Party Committee | 63.00 |
| Guo Renrong | Male | 48 | From October 2017 to present | Financial Controller | 64.38 |
| Heibilayi | Male | 35 | From September 2019 to present | Deputy General Manager | 62.50 |
| Peng Chi | Male | 51 | From June 2020 to present | Deputy General Manager | 31.25 |
| Liu Dong | Male | 48 | From July 2020 to present | Chief Engineer | 20.83 |
| Ni Shilin (resigned) | Male | 53 | From August 2015 to present | Vice Chairman, Non-executive Director | 0 |
| Feng Bing (resigned) | Male | 58 | From April 2020 to present | Chairman of Supervisory Committee | 19.19 |
| Meng Jie (resigned) | Male | 43 | From June 2005 to present | Supervisor | 0 |

The remuneration of each Director, Supervisor and senior management was below HK\$1,000,000 during the Year.

II. CHANGES OF DIRECTORS, SUPERVISORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

On 17 January 2020, Mr. Gan Yongyi was elected as the Chairman of the Board of the Company as was considered and approved at the 3rd meeting of the seventh session of the Board.

On 29 April 2020, Mr. Ni Shilin resigned as a director and the Vice Chairman of the Board of the Company due to work rearrangement; Mr. Luo Maoquan resigned as a Director and a deputy general manager of the Company due to work rearrangement; on the same day, Mr. You Zhiming was appointed as a deputy general manager of the Company as was considered and approved at the 5th meeting of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

On 3 June 2020, Mr. Feng Bing resigned as a supervisor and the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee of the Company due to work rearrangement; Mr. Meng Jie resigned as a supervisor of the Company due to work rearrangement; on the same day, Mr. Yang Guofeng was elected as a non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company and Ms. Ma Yonghan was elected as an executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company, Mr. Luo Maoquan and Ms. Gao Ying were elected as supervisors of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company as was considered and approved at the 2019 annual general meeting of the Company; on the same day, Mr. Yang Guofeng was elected as the vice chairman of the Board and Mr. Peng Chi was elected as a deputy general manager of the Company as was considered and approved at the 6th meeting of the seventh session of the Board held; Mr. Luo Maoquan was elected as the Chairman of the Supervisory Committee as was considered and approved at the 5th meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee.

On 27 July 2020, Mr. Gan Yongyi, the Chairman of the Board and the General Manager of the Company, resigned from his position as the general manager due to work rearrangement; on the same day, Mr. Li Wenhu was elected as the Vice Chairman of the Board, Mr. Li Wenhu was appointed as the general manager of the Company and Mr. Liu Dong was appointed as the chief engineer as was considered and approved at the 7th meeting of the seventh session of the Board held.

On 31 March 2021, Mr. Hu Yaosheng, a staff Supervisor of the Company, resigned as the staff Supervisor of the Company due to personal work adjustment; and as approved at the staff representative meeting held on the same day, Ms. Lu Xiaoyan was elected as a staff representative Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

Ms. Lu Xiaoyan, aged 48, graduated from the Road Engineering Department of Chongqing Jiaotong College (now known as Chongqing Jiaotong University), majoring in highway and urban road engineering, with a bachelor's degree in engineering. She worked in the Chengyu Expressway Management Office, the Longquan Mechanized Maintenance Office and the Investment Department of the Company. She has successively served as the deputy head of the Investment Department of the Company, the head of the Investment and Development Department of the Company, a director of Sichuan Zhonglu Energy Company Limited and a supervisor of Chengdu Shuhai Investment Management Company Limited. She currently serves as a staff representative Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee.

III. BIOGRAPHIES OF DIRECTORS, SUPERVISORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

(I) Biographies of incumbent Directors for the Year are as follows:

Mr. Gan Yongyi, aged 57, graduated from Chongqing Jiaotong College with a bachelor degree in civil engineering of road and bridge transportation and from Sichuan University with a master degree in management and engineering. He is a first-class architect and a professor-level senior engineer. He once worked in Division I and Division VI of Sichuan Bridge Engineering Company Limited (四川省橋樑工程公司) as deputy chief, chief of Division VI as well as the deputy manager of Sichuan Bridge Engineering Company Limited. He also served as the manager of the Bridge Branch of Sichuan Road & Bridge Group (四川路橋集團橋樑分公司), deputy general manager of Sichuan Road & Bridge Co., Ltd., deputy general manager, deputy Chairman and general manager of the Company. Mr. Gan is currently a vice chairman of Airport Expressway Company, an executive Director, Chairman and legal representative of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. Li Wenhu, aged 43, graduated from Southwestern University of Finance and Economics with a MBA degree. He is an accountant, a senior economist and a certified public accountant. He has worked at Xitieshan Mining Bureau of China National Non Ferrous Metal Corporation, successively serving as the chief accountant of Hubei Hanjiang Branch of Western Mining, the director of the Financial Department of Laohekou Hanjiang Branch of Western Mining, the person in charge of the Financial Department of Sichuan Xiasai Silver Co., Ltd.* (四川夏塞銀業有限責任公司), Sichuan Huidong Daliang Mining Co., Ltd.* (四川會 東大梁礦業有限公司) and Bayannur Western Mining Co., Ltd. of Western Mining* (西部礦 業巴彥淖爾西部銅業有限公司), the deputy chief of the Financial Management Department (Fund Management Center) of STIG and the person in charge of Interim Working Group for Advancing Reform of STIG; and the financial controller of the Company, a director of Chengyu Financial Leasing Company and CSI SCE, the chairman and legal representative of Chengyu CCB Fund Company (成渝建信基金公司), the chief of the Investment and Development Department and Capital Operation Department, the director of the Office of Investment Review Committee of STIG. He is currently the chairman and legal representative of Sichuan Trading Investment and Development Company Limited* (四川交投創新投資發展有限公司), a director of Shandong Hi-Speed Road and Bridge Co., Ltd. (山東高速路橋集團股份有限公司) and Shanghai-Hangzhou Railway Passenger Dedicated Lines Co., Ltd. (滬杭鐵路客運專線股份有限 公司), the general manager of the Company, the executive Director and Vice Chairman of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. Yang Guofeng, aged 49, a doctoral candidate and a senior engineer. He has served as a deputy director of the highway construction division and a deputy director of the highway management division of the Ministry of Transport, the director of the maintenance and smooth guarantee division of the Department of Transport, the director of the Rural Highway Department, the deputy inspector of the Highway Bureau of the Ministry of Transport, the vice chairman of work committee for organizations under the Ministry of Transport. He is currently a senior director of China Merchants Expressway Network and Technology Holdings Co. Ltd., the chairman and general manager of Guogao Network and Information Technology Co., Ltd. (國高網路宇信息技術有限公司), the director and general manager of China Merchants Traffic Information Technology Co., Ltd. (招商局交通信息技術有限公司), the director of China Merchants New Intelligence Technology Company Limited* (招商新智科技有限公司) and a non-executive Director and Vice Chairman of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Madam Ma Yonghan, aged 41, graduated from Sichuan University, majoring in political economy in the School of Economics and administrative management in the School of Public Administration of Sichuan University, with a master's degree. She is a senior economist. She has served as the deputy secretary of the Youth League Committee and the deputy director of the Party Committee office of Sichuan Expressway Construction and Development, the deputy director of the party committee and affairs department (黨群工作部) (the discipline inspection and supervision office) and the deputy director of the mass organization department (群團工作部) of STIG, the director of the party committee office of Sichuan Expressway Construction and Development and the director, the secretary of the Youth League Committee and the vice chairwoman of the labour union under the mass organization department of STIG. She currently serves as an executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. You Zhiming, aged 48, successively graduated from Neijiang Teachers College* (內江師 範專科學校) and the Party School of Sichuan Provincial Committee of the Chinese Communist Party with a postgraduate degree, and is a political engineer* (政工師). He successively served as a teacher and the secretary of the League Committee of Jiajia High School of Jianyang City, the deputy secretary and the secretary of Jianyang Municipal Committee of the Communist Youth League of China, the secretary of the Party Committee of Pingquan Town of Jianyang City, a cadre of Ziyang Urban Planning and Development Bureau, the chief of the Village and Town Construction Section and the Urban-rural Planning and Management Section, the director of the Municipal Surveying and Mapping Office, the deputy director of the Management Committee of Ziyang Economic Development Zone of Sichuan, the deputy chief executive, a standing member of the District Committee, the chief of the Organization Department and the principal of the Party School of the Yanjiang District Government of Ziyang City, the director and the secretary of the Leading Party Members' Group of Ziyang Supply and Marketing Cooperatives, and the chief of the Organization Department (Human Resources Department) of Party Committee of STIG, the director of the Office of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee of Sichuan Transportation Investment Group Corporation Limited. He currently serves as the chairman, legal representative of Chengbei Company, the deputy general manager of the Company, and an executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. He Zhuqing, aged 44, graduated from Xi'an Jiaotong University with a doctoral degree in Management and is an associated researcher. Mr. He once served in Changqing Petroleum Exploration Bureau (長慶石油勘探局) and Post-Doctoral Research Center of China Merchants Group (招商局集團博士後工作站). He once served as the general manager of Investment and Development Department of China Merchants Expressway Network & Technology Holdings Co., Ltd., a director of Hubei Chutian Expressway Company Limited (湖北楚天高速公路股份有 限公司) and CSI SCE, a director of Chengyu CCB Fund Company (成渝建信基金公司), the head of the overseas business department of STIG and the executive Director and deputy general manager of the Company. He is currently a chairman and legal representative of Chengyu Financial Leasing Company, the chairman and legal representative of Zhongxin Company and an executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. Li Chengyong, aged 40, graduated from the department of finance and economics of Chongqing Jiaotong College with a bachelor's degree and is a senior accountant. He has successively serves as the head of the Finance Department of Chengdu Municipal Development Company* (成都市市政開發總公司), deputy chief of the Planning and Finance Section of Chengdu Urban Road and Bridge Management Office* (成都市城市道路橋樑管理 處) and business executive of the Asset Management and Audit Department of STIG. He currently acts as a director of Sichuan Transportation Investment Innovation Development Co., Ltd* (四川交投創新投資發展有限公司), the deputy director of Financial Management Department (fund management center) of STIG and a non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Madam Liu Lina, aged 63, successively graduated from Chengdu Institute of Education* (成都教育學院), Renmin University of China, holds a bachelor's degree and is a senior economist, a senior engineer and a senior policy advisor. She has successively served as a secretary of Discipline Inspection Committee and the general manager of Chengdu Industrial Equipment and Installation Company Limited* (成都市工業設備安裝公司), a deputy secretary of Party Committee of Chengdu City Construction Investment Group Co., Ltd.* (成都城建投 資集團公司) and a director, secretary of Discipline Inspection Committee and deputy general manager of Chengdu Construction Engineering Group Corporation. She currently serves as an independent non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. Gao Jinkang, aged 57, successively graduated from Southwest University of Political Science & Law and Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, holds a doctor degree and is a professor and doctoral supervisor. He has successively served as a deputy director and director of the Department of Law and the dean of the School of Law of Southwestern University of Finance and Economics. He is currently the director of the China Financial Law Research Center, the Sichuan Provincial Key Research Base of Philosophy and Social Sciences, Southwest University of Finance and Economics, and an independent non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. Yan Qixiang, aged 49, successively graduated from Sichuan University and Southwest Jiaotong University, holds a doctor degree and possesses postdoctoral experience, and is a professor and doctoral supervisor. He currently serves as the director of the Department of Geotechnical Engineering of Southwest Jiaotong University, an executive deputy director of the Key Laboratory of Transportation Tunnel Engineering of Ministry of Education, and an independent non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Madam Bu Danlu, aged 42, graduated from Southwestern University of Finance and Economics with a doctor degree, and is a professor, doctoral supervisor, certified public accountant and certified tax agent. She was selected into the fifth National Leading Accounting Talents Program of the Ministry of Finance (Academic), and a member of the first and the second Consulting Committee of Corporate Accounting Standard of the Ministry of Finance. She has successively served as a lecturer and an associated professor of Southwestern University of Finance and Economics. She currently acts as a professor of the School of Accounting of Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, an independent director of Chengdu Raise Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd* (成都鋭思環保技術 股份有限公司), an independent director of Sichuan Nitrocell Co., Ltd. and Hangzhou Huaxing Chuangye Communication Technology Co., Ltd. (杭州華星創業通信技術股份有限公司), and an independent non-executive Director of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

(II) Biographies of incumbent Supervisors for the Year are as follows:

Mr. Luo Maoquan, aged 55, graduated from the Faculty of Law of Sichuan University, majoring in law. He has served as officer of the Policy Research Office of the SPDT, deputy office chief, chief, head of the human resources division, member of the sub-group of party committee, deputy director, secretary of the sub-group of party committee, commander of the Sichuan Chengmian (Le) Expressway Construction Directorate, the director of Transportation Construction Company and Chengbei Company, the general manager of Chengya Branch, the director of Chengya Oil Company and the executive Directors and deputy general manager of the seventh session of the Board of the Company. He is currently the chairman of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

Mr. Ling Xiyun, aged 56, graduated from the Department of Marine Transportation Management of Shanghai Maritime University with a Bachelor Degree and is a senior accountant. He successively served as the deputy director (in charge) and director of Finance Department of Sichuan Chengnan Expressway Limited Liability Company* (四川成南高速公路 有限責任公司), the manager of Finance Department of Sichuan Chengnan Expressway Limited Liability Company, the manager of Finance Department of Sichuan Chengnan Expressway Limited Liability Company, the manager of Finance Department of Sichuan Chengnan Expressway Limited Liability Company, the Centre Zone of Sichuan), the chief accountant of Sichuan Zhineng Transportation System Management Company Limited* (四川智能交通系統管理有限公司) and the deputy head of Financial Finance Assets Department and the deputy head and head of Asset Management Audit Department, the head of Audit and Legal Department and the office director of Internal Control & Audit Committee of STIG. He is currently the employee supervisor, the head of Finance Management Department (Fund Management Centre), the office director of Financial Finance of STIG and deputy chief accountant and a Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

Mr. Wang Yao, aged 48, successively graduated from Faculty of Chinese Language of Sichuan University and the Law School of the Southwest University of Finance and Economics with a Master Degree. He successively served as the chief of Secretarial Division of Administrative Office, the deputy director and the director of Administrative Office, the manager of Human Resources Department of Sichuan Expressway Construction and Development, and the head of Supervisor Works Department of STIG. He is currently the head of Supervisor Works Department of the Internal Control and Legal Affairs of STIG, the supervisor of Sichuan Transportation Construction Engineering Co., Ltd. and a Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

Ms. Gao Ying, aged 32, obtained a bachelor's degree. She has served as securities affairs manager of the office of secretary to the board of directors of North China Expressway Company Limited* (華北高速公路股份有限公司). She is currently the manager of the capital operation department (office of the board of directors) of China Merchants Expressway Network and Technology Holdings Co. Ltd., and the supervisor of Fujian Expressway Development Co., Ltd. (福建發展高速公路股份有限公司) and Zhejiang Shangsan Expressway Co., Ltd. (浙江上三高速公路有限公司) and a Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

Madam Li Tao, aged 49, successively graduated from Sichuan Normal University with a Bachelor of Arts degree and from Sichuan University of Economy and Trade with an MBA degree. She worked at Sixth Engineering Office of Sichuan Chuanjiao Bridge Engineering Company Limited (四川省川交橋樑工程有限責任公司). She successively served as the deputy secretary and secretary of Youth League Committee, and the director of the Party Committee Office, the General Manager's Office and the General Office (Publicity Center) of the Company. She currently serves as a supervisor of Chengle Company, a staff Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee and Chairman of the labour union of the Company.

Mr. Hu Yaosheng, aged 44, successively graduated from the Department of Economic Management of Beijing Jiaotong University with a bachelor's degree in transport economics and from the School of Public Administration of Sichuan University with a master's degree in public administration. He is an economist. He once worked at the research office of transport economics and the financial department of the China Academy of Transportation Science. He currently serves as a supervisor of Shunan Company and the chairman of the Supervisory Committee of Renshou Trading Landmark Company and Multimodal United Transportation Company, the head of the Discipline Inspection Department and Internal Control & Audit Supervisory Department of the Company and a staff Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

(III) Biographies of other incumbent senior management for the Year are as follows:

Mr. Gan Yongyi, please refer to the biographies of Directors.

Mr. Li Wenhu, please refer to the biographies of Directors.

Madam Li Tao, please refer to the biographies of Supervisors.

Mr. You Zhiming, please refer to the biographies of Directors.

Mr. He Zhuqing, please refer to the biographies of Directors.

Mr. Liu Junjie, aged 56, graduated from Sichuan Suining Normal School, Northern Sichuan Education College (majoring in Biology) and the Department of Industrial Economics of Graduate School of Chinese Academy of Social Science. He holds a master's degree and the title of a senior political worker (高級政工師). He has served as the deputy chief of the general section of the Committee Office of Ganzi Prefecture, deputy secretary, principal staff member and deputy director of the Committee Office of Aba Prefecture, director of the inspection division of the County Committee of Lixian County, deputy head of the Bureau of Water Resources of Aba Prefecture and deputy director of the is currently a director of Trading Property Company (previously known as Trading Landmark Company) and Transportation Construction Company, a director, the Chairman and legal representative of Multimodal United Transportation Company, and the Deputy General Manager of the Company.

Mr. Zhang Yongnian, aged 58, graduated from the Faculty of Law of Sichuan University. He has served as judicial officer of the People's Court of Emeishan City, Sichuan Province, deputy chief of the Criminal Judicial Tribunal, deputy chief of the Chengyu Expressway's Long Quan Management Office, deputy head of Road Section of Chengyu Expressway Management Office, deputy head of the Policy and Regulation Division of the Expressway Administration Bureau of the SPDT, director of Shuhai Company, the office chief of the board of directors of the Company, and a Director of the Company. He is currently a director of Airport Expressway Company, and the Secretary to the Board of the Company.

Mr. Tian Yi, aged 53, graduated from Kunming Army College and Macau University of Science and Technology with MBA Degree, a master of Provincial Party School majoring in law, and a senior political worker (高級政工師). Mr. Tian Yi was the guard platoon leader of a frontline command of Chengdu Military Command, secondary battalion grade secretary of a materials purchasing and supply station of the Logistics Department of Chengdu Military Command, deputy section chief and section chief of the Department of Finance of Sichuan Province, and section chief and deputy head of the State-owned Assets Supervision and deputy secretary of Discipline Inspection Commission of the Company. He is currently a supervisor of Chengyu Financial Leasing Company, a supervisor of Airport Expressway Company and the Secretary of Discipline Inspection Commission of the Company.

Mr. Luo Zuyi, aged 47, holds an EMBA master degree from University of Electronic Science and Technology of China, and is a political engineer. He has successively served as the deputy general manager of Sichuan Jiuzhaihuanglong Airport Co., Ltd. (四川九寨黃龍機場有限 公司), general manager of Chengyu Branch. He is currently an executive director of Chengle Company, the chairman and legal representative of Sichuan Trading Landmark Co., Ltd. and a member of the Party Committee of the Company.

Mr. Guo Renrong, aged 48, holds a Master's degree in engineering in software engineering of Beijing Institute of Technology and is a senior accountant. He was the cashier, accountant, chief of finance, secretary of the Communist Youth League branch of Panzhihua Traffic Mechanization Engineering Company (攀枝花交通機械化工程公司); the accountant, chief accountant, deputy director of Financial Department of Northern Sichuan Expressway Co., Ltd.; the deputy director of the Financial Department, deputy manager and manager of the Financial Division of Sichuan Guangba Expressway Co., Ltd. (四川廣巴高速公路有限責任公 司); the deputy director of Financial Management Department (fund management center) of STIG; the deputy general Manager of Sichuan Transportation Investment Industrial & Financial Company Limited (四川交投產融控股有限公司) and chairman, legal representative of Shenyinwanguo Transportation Investment Industrial & Financial In-vestment Management Company Limited (申銀萬國交投產融投資管理公司). He is currently a supervisor of the Second Session of the Supervisory Committee and the Financial Controller and director of the committee of the Sichuan Listed Company Association, a director of Chengyu Financial Leasing Company and CSI SCE, the chairman of the Risk Control Committee of Zhongxin Company, the Financial Controller and Director of the Fifth Session of Trade Union Funds Review Committee of the Company.

Mr. Heibilayi, aged 35, graduated from Southwest University of Finance and Economics with a bachelor's degree in law. He worked in Chengdu Branch of Pudong Development Bank and served as assistant to the president of Kehua Branch of Pudong Development Bank, vice president and president of Tianfu Branch of Pudong Development Bank. He is currently the deputy general manager of the Company, and a member of Standing Committee and the vice head of Yuechi County.

Mr. Peng Chi, aged 51, holds a master's degree and is a senior engineer. He has served as the secretary of the cement road office of the Transportation Bureau of Longchang County of Sichuan, head of Road Section of Chengyu Expressway Longchang Management Section of Sichuan Expressway Administration Bureau, deputy director of the fund management center of the Company, the chief of the Division three of the mechanical maintenance and the secretary of the Party Committee of the Company, deputy general manager of Sichuan Shugong Expressway Engineering Company Limited, the director of Neijiang Management Department of the Company, the standing deputy commander of the expansion construction department of Chengle Expressway, the general manager of Chengya Branch of the Company. He is currently the deputy general manager of the Company.

Mr. Liu Dong, aged 48, successively graduated from Tongji University majoring in Highway and Urban Road and Southwest Jiaotong University (西南交通大學) majoring in engineering in architecture and civil engineering, obtained a master's degree and is a senior engineer. He has successively served as the deputy director of the head supervisors' office of the Engineering Construction Headquarters of Guangyuan Section of National Highway 108, the deputy director, chief engineer and director of the engineering division of Reconstruction Headquarters of Langmushi Temple to Chuanzhushi Temple Highway of National Highway 213, the office director of the Engineering Construction Headquarters of Construction Headquarters of Chenganyu Expressway, the director, deputy chief engineer and deputy general manager of Engineering Division of Chengren Branch of the Company, the deputy general manager of Suiguang Suixi Expressway Company Limited and Chengle Expressway. He is currently the chief engineer of the Company.

(IV) Biographies of directors, supervisors or other senior officers who resign or retire for the Year are as follows:

Mr. Ni Shilin, aged 53, graduated from Tsinghua University and Delft IHE College, Netherlands with Graduate Degree and Master's Degree. He once served as a deputy general manager of China Merchants International Qingdao Company Limited (招商局國際青島公 司), a deputy general manager in the joint venture, Qingdao Bay Container Terminal (青島前 灣聯合集裝箱碼頭) (as a concurrent post), an assistant to the general manager of the China Merchants International Headquarters Project Management Division (招商局國際總部工程管理 部), general manager of Safety Commission Office (安委辦), a senior project manager of China Merchants International Port Management Division (招商局國際有限公司港口管理部), a deputy manager and manager of the Planning and Audit Division of China Merchants Shekou Port Company (蛇口招商港務公司計劃審計部), chief engineer, assistant manager and manager of China Merchants Shekou Ports Corporation Engineering Department (蛇口招商港務公司工程 部), and an assistant engineer of the No. 3 Shipping Bureau under the Ministry of Transport, a non-executive Director of Anhui Expressway Co., Ltd., a general manager of administration department and employee supervisor of China Merchants Expressway, and a director and deputy general manager of Zhejiang Shangsan Expressway Co., Ltd. Mr. Ni Shilin is currently the overseas business director and GM assistant of China Merchants Expressway, and a director of CORNERSTONE HOLDING LIMITED (香港佳選控股有限公司). On 29 April 2020, he resigned as a non-executive Director and Deputy Chairman of the seventh session of the Board of the Company.

Mr. Feng Bing, aged 58, graduated from Xi'an Road College and obtained a bachelor's degree majoring in automatic control in traffic engineering and from Chang'an University majoring in traffic and transportation planning and management with a master degree. He is a senior engineer. He had been the secretary of Youth League committee of the direct body under the SPDT, deputy section chief and section chief of the Planning Division of the SPDT, deputy head, investigator and head of the Overall Planning Division of the SPDT, and an independent non-executive director of Jilin Expressway Company Limited (a company listed on the SSE). On 3 June 2020, he resigned as the Chairman of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

Mr. Meng Jie, aged 43, holder of Master's degree in Engineering and Master's degree in Business Administration, senior engineer, registered consultation engineer (Investment). He has served as the GM assistant, deputy general manager and general manager of First Department of Shares Management of China Merchants Expressway Company, a director of Guangxi Wuzhou Transportation Company Limited (廣西五洲交通股份有限公司) and North China Expressway Company Limited (華北高速公路股份有限公司), and other positions. He is currently a chief analyst and the general manager of Capital Operation Department (Board Office) of China Merchants Expressway Company Limited (山東高速公路股份有限公司), Henan Zhongyuan Expressway Company Limited, Xiandai Touzi Co., Ltd.(現代投資股份有限公司), Heilongjiang Transport Development Co., Ltd.(黑龍江交通發展股份有限公司), Jiangsu Ningjingyan Expressway Company Limited (江蘇寧靖鹽高速公路有限公司). On 3 June 2020, he resigned as a Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company.

IV. EMPLOYEES

As at 31 December 2020, details of the Group's employees were as follows:

| Number of in-service employees of the Company (including its branches) | 2,454 |
|--|-------|
| Number of in-service employees of major subsidiaries | 1,914 |
| Total number of in-service employees | 4,368 |
| Number of retired or resigned employees for which the Company | None |
| (including its branches) and its major subsidiaries are liable to bear costs | |

Composition by Expertise

| Type of Expertise | Number of people |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Production | 3,063 |
| Sales | 32 |
| Technical | 502 |
| Financial | 144 |
| Administrative | 627 |
| | |
| Total | 4,368 |

Educational Level

| Type of Education Level | Number of people |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Postgraduate | 197 |
| University graduate | 1,376 |
| Junior college graduate | 1,815 |
| Technical secondary school and below | 980 |
| Total | 4,368 |

1. Employees' Remuneration

The total remuneration of the Company's employees is correlated with the operating results of the Company. Employees' salaries are determined based on their positions and performance. For the year ended 31 December 2020, the employees' salary of the Group totalled approximately RMB551,492,450 of which approximately RMB304,928,990 for the employees of the Company (including its branches).

2. Employees' Insurance and Welfare

The Company cherishes employees and protects their lawful interests, has improved various types of social insurance for employees in strict compliance with all applicable PRC labor security policies. Expenses for various types of social insurances for retirement, healthcare, unemployment, work related in-jury, childbirth, catastrophic illness and accident have been paid in full by the Company for the employees. Meanwhile, the Company has made contributions to the housing accumulation fund and enterprise annuity fund for the employees in compliance with the requirements under applicable laws and policies.

3. Staff Training

The Company highly values staff training and provides trainings of various aspects and types to improve the comprehensive quality and business standard of its staff. During the Reporting Period, the Company had organised various centralized and specific trainings such as job-specific skills for technicians and continuing education for professional technical staff. A total of 18,782 attendances of the Company's employees (including its branches) was recorded for the above training courses.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

During the Reporting Period, all members of the Supervisory Committee have strictly complied with the requirements of the Company Law of the People's Republic of China, the Listing Rules of the SSE and the Stock Exchange, the Articles of Association and the Rules of Procedure of the Supervisory Committee. Based on the principle of good faith, they performed their duties prudently and actively with an aim to safeguard the interest of the Shareholders, the Company and the employees.

I. WORK OF THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE

During the Year, the Supervisory Committee held 6 meetings in total. The notices, convening, holding and resolutions of the meetings were in compliance with the requirements of the relevant laws and regulations and the Articles of Association. Details of the meetings are as follows:

| Meeting of the Supervisory Committee | Meeting Date | Торі | cs |
|---|---------------|------|---|
| The 3rd meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee | 30 March 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to work report of the Supervisory Committee of the Company for the year 2019; |
| | | 2. | Resolution in relation to the Scheme of Profit Distribution and Dividend Payment for 2019; |
| | | 3. | Resolution in relation to the 2019 domestic and overseas annual reports and their summaries; |
| | | 4. | Resolution in relation to the 2019 Internal Control Evaluation Report; |
| | | 5. | Resolution in relation to the 2019 Environmental, Social and Governance Report; |
| | | 6. | Resolution in relation to the 2020 Annual Financial Budget; |
| | | 7. | Resolution in relation to the re- appointment of Shinewing Certified Public Accountants as the domestic auditor of the Company for the year 2020; |
| | | 8. | Resolution in relation to the re- appointment of Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants as the international auditor of the Company for the year 2020; |
| | | 9. | Resolution in relation to the 2019 annual financial budget implementation report; |
| | | 10. | Resolution in relation to change of accounting policy. |
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REPORT OF THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

| Monting of the | | | |
|---|----------------|------|---|
| Meeting of the Supervisory Committee | Meeting Date | Торі | cs |
| The 4th meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee | 29 April 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to the confirmation of the resignation of Mr. Feng Bing as a Supervisor and the Chairman of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company; |
| | | 2. | Resolution in relation to the confirmation of the resignation of Mr. Meng Jie as a Supervisor of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company; |
| | | 3. | Resolution in relation to the nomination of Mr. Luo Maoquan as a Supervisor candidate of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company and the proposed remuneration for the Supervisor; |
| | | 4. | Resolution in relation to the nomination of Madam Gao Ying as a Supervisor candidate of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company and the proposed remuneration for the Supervisor; |
| | | 5. | Resolution in relation to the 2020 First Quarter Report. |
| The 5th meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee | 3 June 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to the election of Mr. Luo Maoquan as the Chairman of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee of the Company. |
| The 6th meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee | 27 August 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to the unaudited financial report for the six months ended 30 June 2020 and 2020 interim report and its summary; |
| | | 2. | Resolution in relation to not distributing any interim dividend and not transferring capital reserve into share capital in 2020; |
| | | 3. | Resolution in relation to the amendments to the Articles of Association. |
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REPORT OF THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

| Meeting of the Supervisory Committee | Meeting Date | Торі | CS |
|---|------------------|------|---|
| The 7th meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee | 29 October 2020 | 1. | Resolution in relation to the 2020 Third Quarterly Report; |
| | | 2. | Resolution in relation to the signing of the Construction Connected Transaction Framework Agreement between the Company and STIG. |
| The 8th meeting of the seventh session of the Supervisory Committee | 28 December 2020 |) 1. | Resolution in relation to the signing of Sale and Purchase of Refined Oil Product Connected Transaction Framework Agreement between the Group and PetroChina Sichuan. |

During the Reporting Period, the members of the Supervisory Committee of the Company jointly implemented the function of supervision over the Company, actively cared for the Company's businesses and cautiously and diligently executed their respective responsibilities on the basis of guaranteeing the overall profits of the Company and safeguarding the interests of Shareholders, the Company and employees in an honest and kind manner.

In 2020, the attendance of the meetings of the Supervisory Committee and general meetings by the Supervisors is as follows:

| | Paguirad | Attendance of meetings of the Supervisory Committee | | | | |
|----------------------|---|---|-------------------------------|------------------------|---|--|
| Name of Supervisor | Required attendance in the meetings of the Supervisory Committee during the Year | Attendance in person | Attendance via communications | Attendance by proxy | Number of attendance/ required attendance in the meetings | Number of attendance/ number of meeting |
| Luo Maoquan | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4/4 | 1/1 |
| Ling Xiyun | 6 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 6/6 | 3/3 |
| Wang Yao | 6 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 6/6 | 3/3 |
| Gao Ying | 4 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 4/4 | 1/1 |
| Li Tao | 6 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 6/6 | 3/3 |
| Hu Yaosheng | 6 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 6/6 | 3/3 |
| Feng Bing (resigned) | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2/2 | 1/2 |
| Meng Jie (resigned) | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2/2 | 1/2 |

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE (CONTINUED)

| Number of meetings of the Supervisory Committee held during the Year | 6 |
|--|---|
| Of which: Number of physical meetings | 1 |
| Number of meetings held via communications | 2 |
| Number of meetings held by way of combination of both | 3 |
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During the Reporting Period, all Supervisors of the Company have attended the meetings of the Supervisory Committee with due care and diligence, and offered professional suggestions and independent judgments in respect of the reviewed issues being discussed at the meetings by virtue of their expertise and experience.

II. INDEPENDENT OPINIONS FROM THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON COMPLIANCE OF THE COMPANY'S OPERATIONS WITH LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

During the Reporting Period, the Supervisors of the Company attended all general meetings and Board meetings as observers and cautiously supervised and checked the convening procedures of the meetings, resolutions and execution of the written resolutions of aforesaid meetings, and effectively supervised the whole process of the Directors and senior management members' operation and management and the implementation of the Company's decisions.

The Supervisory Committee is of the opinion that the Company conducted its operations and made decisions strictly in accordance with relevant rules and regulations, continuously improved its internal control system and further enhanced its corporate governance. The Directors and senior management of the Company are able to perform their own duties and execute the resolutions and authorizations of the general meetings in compliance with relevant laws and regulations and with the attitude of fidelity and due diligence and from the perspective of safeguarding the interests of the Company and Shareholders as a whole, with no breach of laws and regulations, or conducts of misusing authority or damaging the interests of the Company, its Shareholders and employees.

III. INDEPENDENT OPINIONS FROM THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE COMPANY'S FINANCIAL POSITION

Having cautiously reviewed the Company's 2020 First Quarterly Results Report, Interim Results Report, Third Quarterly Results Reports, Annual Results Report and other accounting information, etc, the Supervisory Committee is of the opinion that the Company's financial income and expenditure accounts are clear and the accounting, auditing and financial management are all in line with relevant regulations without doubts. The Company's PRC and international auditors, Shinewing Certified Public Accountants (Special General Partnership) and Ernst & Young Certified Public Accountants for Business Enterprises and Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, and have issued audit reports with standard unreserved opinions. The Supervisory Committee is of the view that the audit reports have reflected the actual situations of the Company's financial income and expenditure, operating results and cash flows.

IV. OPINIONS FROM THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE BOARD'S SELF-ASSESSMENT REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL

In order to implement the "Basic Rules for Internal Control of Enterprises" jointly issued by the Ministry of Finance, the CSRC, the National Audit Office, the China Banking Regulatory Commission and the China Insurance Regulatory Commission and the fundamental guidelines for corporate internal control, the Company fully and practically launched the construction of corporate internal control system since the second half of 2010. During the Reporting Period, all internal control tasks were carried out as scheduled and the internal control system of the Company was further improved. Through making self-assessment of the effectiveness of the design and implementation of the Company's internal control as at 31 December 2020, the Board had issued the 2020 Assessment Report on Internal Control.

The Supervisory Committee seriously considered and approved the 2020 Assessment Report on Internal Control issued by the Board, and considered that the report comprehensively and objectively reflected the establishment and operation of the Company's internal control system. The Company has established a relatively comprehensive internal control system and is continuously optimizing and enhancing it, and has kept the standard operation of the Company under good supervision and guidance.

V. INDEPENDENT OPINIONS FROM THE SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE COMPANY'S CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

Save for the connected transactions disclosed in note 36 to the financial statements, the Company had no other connected transactions during the Reporting Period. In the opinion of the Supervisory Committee, the Company's connected transactions during the Reporting Period were conducted on a just, fair and open basis and at reasonable considerations, and no circumstances were discovered in which insider transactions were involved or the Board breached the principle of good faith in decision-making, execution of agreements or information disclosure, etc.

The Supervisory Committee will continue to abide by its prudent and diligent practice, conscientiously implement the duties of the Supervisory Committee and protect the legal interests of Shareholders.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



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To the shareholders of Sichuan Expressway Company Limited (Incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Sichuan Expressway Company Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") set out on pages 123 to 232, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, and 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 December 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"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the consolidated financial statements* section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (CONTINUED)

Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Impairment of trade receivables and loans to customers

As at 31 December 2020, the Group had trade receivables and loans to customers aggregating to approximately RMB4,281,755,000.

Management performed periodic assessment on the recoverability of the trade receivables and loans to customers and the sufficiency of provision for impairment based on information including the credit profile of different customers, ageing, historical settlement records of trade receivables, subsequent settlement status, the expected timing and amount of realisation of outstanding balances, and on-going trading relationships with the relevant customers. Management also considered forward-looking information that may impact the customers' ability to repay the outstanding balances in order to estimate the expected credit losses ("ECL") for the impairment assessment.

Management has performed ECL analysis and concluded that an ECL allowance of RMB50,510,000 should be required as at 31 December 2020.

The accounting policies and disclosures about the impairment assessment for trade receivables and loans to customers are included in notes 2.4, 3, 18, 26 and 39 to the financial statements.

Our audit procedures to assess the impairment of trade receivables and loans to customers included the following:

- We assessed and tested the design and operating effectiveness of the internal controls over the credit approval and monitoring process and impairment assessments, including the ECL model;
 - We obtained corroborative evidence including correspondence indicating any disputes between the parties involved and attempts by management to recover the amounts outstanding, and reports on the credit status of significant counterparties where available;
 - We assessed the appropriateness of the ECL provisioning methodology, examined the key data inputs on a sample basis to assess their accuracy and completeness, and assessed the assumptions, including both historical and forward-looking information used to determine the expected credit losses, analysed the customers' historical payment patterns and checked bank receipts for the payments received subsequent to the year end; and
- We assessed the adequacy of the disclosures regarding the impairment provisions of trade receivables and loans to customers and the Group's exposure to credit risk in the consolidated financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONTINUED)

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (CONTINUED)

Key audit matter

How our audit addressed the key audit matter

Amortisation of service concession arrangements

Amortisation of service concession arrangements is calculated under the unit-of-usage method ("UOP"), based on the share of traffic volume in a particular period over the total projected traffic volume throughout the service concession period. The projection of the total traffic volume involves significant management judgement and estimation, including the expected gross domestic product ("GDP") growth rate and the impact of other road networks within the same area.

The accounting policies and disclosures about the assessment on the amortisation of service concession arrangements are included in notes 2.4, 3 and 13 to the financial statements. Our audit procedures included the following:'

- We evaluated the estimated projected total traffic volume of the Group's expressways under service concession arrangements by focusing our analysis on managements key assumptions used in the estimates of the projected total traffic volume such as the GDP growth rate, the impact of other road networks within the same area and historical accuracy of management's estimates and assessed whether these estimates showed any evidence of management bias;
- We interviewed the Group's senior management and obtained an understanding of their process associated with the review of the projected traffic volume against actual traffic volume;
- We considered whether the amortisation methodology adopted by the Group best represented the expected future economic benefits of the Group;
- We verified the actual traffic volume and compared it with the projected traffic volume to evaluate whether any adjustment of the projected volume is required;
- We re-measured the amortisation of the Group's service concession arrangements to verify the accuracy of the amount in the financial statements; and
- We assessed the adequacy of the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements.

OTHER INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Company's Annual Report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report.

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.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors of the Company 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 of the Company 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 of the Company either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

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. Our 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 HKSAs 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.

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

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, 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.
- 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 to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

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

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 Hsu Lung Wu.

Ernst & Young *Certified Public Accountants* Hong Kong

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Year ended 31 December 2020

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--------|--|--|
| REVENUE Cost of sales | 4, 5 | 8,198,610 (6,472,202) | 7,806,743 (5,501,537) |
| Gross profit Other income and gains Administrative expenses Other expenses Finance costs | 5 | 1,726,408 306,606 (352,994) (62,241) (632,911) | 2,305,206 269,107 (336,776) (78,959) (723,554) |
| Share of profits and losses of: Joint ventures Associates | | 14,110 (7,371) | (280) 28,795 |
| PROFIT BEFORE TAX Income tax expense | 7 9 | 991,607 (257,710) | 1,463,539 (330,250) |
| PROFIT FOR THE YEAR | | 733,897 | 1,133,289 |
| Attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests | | 674,809 59,088 | 1,086,131 47,158 |
| OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) Other comprehensive income/(loss) that will not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods: Equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income/(loss): Changes in fair value Income tax effect | | 733,897 (90,906) 14,316 | 1,133,289 8,850 (2,298) |
| | | (76,590) | 6,552 |
| OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX | | (76,590) | 6,552 |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR | | 657,307 | 1,139,841 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (CONTINUED) Year ended 31 December 2020

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|-------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests | | 596,805 60,502 | 1,092,098 47,743 |
| | | 657,307 | 1,139,841 |
| EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY – Basic and diluted | 11 | RMB0.221 | RMB0.355 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

| | | 2020 | 2019 |
|---|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | Notes | RMB'000 | <i>RMB'000</i> |
| | | | |
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 12 | 764,036 | 760,079 |
| Service concession arrangements | 13 | 27,657,591 | 25,423,037 |
| Right-of-use assets | 14 | 416,724 | 458,490 |
| Investments in joint ventures | 15 | 137,926 | 135,374 |
| Investments in associates | 16 | 289,127 | 318,427 |
| Equity investments designated at fair value | | | |
| through other comprehensive income | 17 | 281,883 | 372,789 |
| Loans to customers | 18 | 1,291,105 | 1,180,772 |
| Long term compensation receivables | 19 | 14,353 | 24,010 |
| Payments in advance | 20 | | 49,360 |
| Contract assets | 25 | 10,000 | 10,000 |
| Contract costs | 20 | 18,227 | 17,480 |
| Deferred tax assets | 21 | 31,014 | 157 |
| Interests in land held for property development | 22 | 156,303 | 156,303 |
| | 22 | | |
| Restricted deposits | | 36,027 | 29,102 |
| Pledged deposits | 28 | - | 15,000 |
| | | | |
| Total non-current assets | | 31,104,316 | 28,950,380 |
| | | | |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | | |
| Properties under development | 23 | 1,587,314 | 2,019,493 |
| Completed properties held for sale | 23 | 969,986 | 154,350 |
| Inventories | 24 | 48,989 | 63,841 |
| Loans to customers | 18 | 1,018,472 | 935,463 |
| Trade and other receivables | 26 | 2,441,430 | 2,681,172 |
| Contract assets | 25 | 21,000 | 21,000 |
| Contract costs | 20 | 17,040 | 9,238 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | 27 | 494 | 73,933 |
| Pledged deposits | 28 | 15,000 | 70,000 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 28 | 3,180,340 | 2,951,704 |
| | 20 | 5,100,540 | 2,331,704 |
| T | | | |
| Total current assets | | 9,300,065 | 8,910,194 |
| | | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | |
| Tax payable | | 136,478 | 70,823 |
| Trade and other payables | 30 | 3,297,114 | 3,229,995 |
| Contract liabilities | 29 | 911,363 | 542,203 |
| Dividend payables | | 29,434 | 10,485 |
| Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings | 31 | 4,560,204 | 3,541,803 |
| | | | |
| Total current liabilities | | 8,934,593 | 7,395,309 |
| | | 0,004,000 | ,,000,000 |
| NET CURRENT ACCETO | | 005 470 | 1 514 005 |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | | 365,472 | 1,514,885 |
| | | | |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | | 31,469,788 | 30,465,265 |
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (CONTINUED)

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|-------|------------------------|------------------------|
| NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | | |
| Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings | 31 | 14,000,093 | 13,310,136 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 21 | 5,441 | 9,088 |
| Contract liabilities | 29 | 657,856 | 895,936 |
| Deferred income | 30 | 272,717 | 96,137 |
| | | | |
| Total non-current liabilities | | 14,936,107 | 14,311,297 |
| | | | |
| Net assets | | 16,533,681 | 16,153,968 |
| | | | |
| EQUITY | | | |
| Equity attributable to owners of the Company | | | |
| Issued capital | 32 | 3,058,060 | 3,058,060 |
| Reserves | 33 | 12,476,974 | 12,219,838 |
| | | | |
| | | 15,535,034 | 15,277,898 |
| Non-controlling interests | | 998,647 | 876,070 |
| | | | |
| Total equity | | 16,533,681 | 16,153,968 |

Gan Yongyi Director

Li Wenhu Director

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

Year ended 31 December 2020

| | | | | | Attributable to | owners of the | Company | | | | | | |
|---|--|---|--|--|--|---|--|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| | lssued capital <i>RMB '000</i> (<i>note 32</i>) | Share premium account <i>RMB'000</i> | Statutory surplus reserve <i>RMB</i> '000 (note 33(a)) | Difference arising from changes in non- controlling interests <i>RMB'000</i> | Fair value reserve of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income <i>RMB'000</i> | General risk reserve <i>RMB'000</i> (note 33(d)) | Merger difference <i>RMB'000</i> (note 33(b)) | Safety fund reserve <i>RMB '000</i> (note 33(c)) | Capital reserve <i>RMB'000</i> | Retained profits <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> | Non- controlling interests <i>RMB'000</i> | Total equity <i>RMB'000</i> |
| At 31 December 2018 | 3,058,060 | 2,654,601 | 4,910,903 | (254,570) | 84,661 | - | (533,123) | 8,146 | 32,820 | 4,530,108 | 14,491,606 | 392,793 | 14,884,399 |
| Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year: Changes in fair value of equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income, net | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1,086,131 | 1,086,131 | 47,158 | 1,133,289 |
| of tax | - | - | - | - | 5,967 | - | - | - | - | - | 5,967 | 585 | 6,552 |
| Total comprehensive income for the year Transfer from/(to) reserves Establishment for safety fund | - | - | - 506,396 | - | 5,967 _ | - | - | - | - | 1,086,131 (506,396) | 1,092,098 - | 47,743 | 1,139,841 - |
| reserve | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6,048 | - | (6,048) | - | - | - |
| General risk reserve | - | - | - | - | - | 990 | - | - | - | (990) | - | - | - |
| Utilisation of safety fund reserve | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (5,723) | - | 5,723 | - | - | - |
| Acquisition of subsidiaries | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 490,203 | 490,203 |
| Dividends paid to non-controlling | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| shareholders | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (54,669) | (54,669) |
| Final 2018 dividend paid | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (305,806) | (305,806) | - | (305,806) |
| At 31 December 2019 | 3,058,060 | 2,654,601* | 5,417,299* | (254,570)* | 90,628* | 990* | (533,123)* | 8,471* | 32,820* | 4,802,722* | 15,277,898 | 876,070 | 16,153,968 |

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY (CONTINUED)

| | | | | | Attributable to | owners of the | Company | | | | | | |
|---|--|--|---|---|---|--|---|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|---|----------------------------|
| | lssued capital RMB'000 (<i>note 32</i>) | Share premium account RMB'000 | Statutory surplus reserve RMB'000 (<i>note 33(a)</i>) | Difference arising from changes in non- controlling interests RMB'000 | Fair value reserve of financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income RMB'000 | General risk reserve RMB'000 (note 33(d)) | Merger difference RMB'000 (note 33(b)) | Safety fund reserve RMB'000 (note 33(c)) | Capital reserve RMB'000 | Retained profits RMB'000 | Total RMB'000 | Non- controlling interests RMB'000 | Total equity RMB'000 |
| At 31 December 2019 | 3,058,060 | 2,654,601 | 5,417,299 | (254,570) | 90,628 | 990 | (533,123) | 8,471 | 32,820 | 4,802,722 | 15,277,898 | 876,070 | 16,153,968 |
| Profit for the year Other comprehensive income for the year: Changes in fair value of equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income, net | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 674,809 | 674,809 | 59,088 | 733,897 |
| of tax | - | - | - | - | (78,004) | - | - | - | - | - | (78,004) | 1,414 | (76,590) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year | | | | | (78,004) | | | | - | 674,809 | 596.805 | 60,502 | 657,307 |
| Transfer from/(to) reserves Establishment for safety fund | - | - | - 383,917 | - | (78,004) | - | - | - | - | (383,917) | | | - |
| reserve Establishment for general risk | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5,874 | - | (5,874) | - | - | - |
| reserve Utilisation of safety fund reserve | - | - | - | - | - | 4,238 | - | - (2,923) | - | (4,238) 2,923 | - | - | - |
| Capital injection by a non- controlling shareholder Increase of capital reserve by way | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (2,323) | - | 2,323 | - | - 97,200 | 97,200 |
| of capitalisation of retained profits ** Dilution of investments in an | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 962,318 | (962,318) | - | - | - |
| associate Dividends paid to non-controlling | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | (3,282) | - | (3,282) | - | (3,282) |
| shareholders Final 2019 dividend paid <i>(notes 10)</i> | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | _ (336,387) | - (336,387) | (35,125) | (35,125) (336,387) |
| At 31 December 2020 | 3,058,060 | 2,654,601* | 5,801,216* | (254,570)* | 12,624* | 5,228* | (533,123)* | * 11,422* | 991,856* | 3,787,720* | 15,535,034 | 998,647 | 16,533,681 |

* These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated reserves of RMB12,476,974,000 (2019: RMB12,219,838,000) in the consolidated statement of financial position.

** Pursuant to the shareholders' resolution of Sichuan Chengle Expressway Company Limited ("Chengle Company") dated 12 September 2020, it was resolved to increase the capital reserve of Chengle Company by RMB962 million through the capitalisation of retained profits.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended 31 December 2020

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|-------|------------------------|------------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| Profit before tax | | 991,607 | 1,463,539 |
| Adjustments for: | | 001,007 | 1,400,000 |
| Finance costs | 6 | 632,911 | 723,554 |
| Share of profits and losses of joint ventures and | | | |
| associates | | (6,739) | (28,515) |
| Fair value losses/(gains) on financial assets at fair | F | 00 | (2,002) |
| value through profit or loss Gain on disposal of financial assets at fair value | 5 | 89 | (3,983) |
| through profit or loss | 5 | (3,468) | _ |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment | 12 | 91,977 | 69,700 |
| Depreciation of right-of-use assets | 14 | 61,029 | 56,776 |
| Amortisation of service concession arrangements | 13 | 771,348 | 744,283 |
| Impairment/(reversal of impairment) of completed | | <i>/</i> | |
| properties held for sale | 23 | (3,917) | 1,527 |
| Impairment loss on financial assets included in other receivables | 7 | 36,923 | 13,260 |
| Loss on disposal of items of property, plant and | / | 30,923 | 13,200 |
| equipment | 7 | 2,576 | 32,967 |
| Interest income | 5 | (172,221) | (186,161) |
| Dividend income from equity investments designated | | | |
| at fair value through other comprehensive income | | | |
| and financial assets at fair value through profit or | F | (10.001) | (0.001) |
| loss | 5 | (10,981) | (6,621) |
| | | 2,391,134 | 2,880,326 |
| | | 2,001,104 | 2,000,020 |
| Additions to service concession arrangements | | (2,931,715) | (1,348,375) |
| Decrease/(increase) in properties under development | | 442,620 | (377,831) |
| Decrease/(increase) in completed properties held for | | | |
| sale | | (811,719) | 20,125 |
| Increase in loans to customers | | (143,982) | (786,441) |
| Increase in restricted deposits | | (6,925) | (29,102) |
| Increase in deferred income Decrease/(increase) in contract assets and contract | | 176,552 | 5,854 |
| costs | | (8,549) | 409,563 |
| Decrease/(increase) in trade and other receivables | | 202,763 | (1,101,562) |
| Decrease/(increase) in inventories | | 14,852 | (38,078) |
| Increase in contract liabilities | | 131,080 | 1,034,274 |
| Increase in trade and other payables | | 68,418 | 166,555 |
| | | | |
| Cash from operations | | (475,471) | 835,308 |
| Interest received | | 133,243 | 102,763 |
| | | | |
| Interest paid | | (9,870) | (7,705) |
| | | | |
| Interest paid | | (9,870) | (7,705) |

Net cash flows from/(used in) operating activities

(564,341) 607,204

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED) Year ended 31 December 2020

| | | 2020 | 2019 |
|---|------|---|---|
| | Note | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchases of items of property, plant and equipment Investments in a joint venture Investments in associates | | (110,482) _ _ | (339,613) (66,750) (73,892) |
| Investments in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Investments in equity investments designated at fair | | (306) | (70,339) |
| value through other comprehensive income Proceeds from disposal of shares of a joint venture Proceeds from disposal of financial assets at fair value | | _ 4,312 | (39,802) 150,000 |
| through profit or loss Acquisition of a subsidiary Proceeds from disposal of items of property, plant and | | 77,124 - | 389 943,534 |
| equipment Interest received Dividend received from associates Dividend received from a joint venture Dividend received from equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | | 11,972 47,388 15,748 10,145 10,981 | 3,920 62,709 19,105 36,040 6,621 |
| Decrease in pledged deposits | | | 57,258 |
| Net cash flows from investing activities | | 66,882 | 689,180 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES Interest paid Proceeds from bank loans Repayment of bank loans Proceeds from other borrowings Repayment of other borrowings Repayment of medium term notes Principal portion of lease payments Dividends paid to owners of the Company Capital injection by a non-controlling shareholder Dividends paid to non-controlling shareholders | | (708,940) 5,907,271 (3,108,264) 140,472 - (1,200,000) (49,081) (336,387) 97,200 (16,176) | (750,695) 2,059,895 (2,962,595) 63,405 (26,260) (10,000) (10,976) (305,806) – (59,068) |
| Net cash flows from/(used in) financing activities | | 726,095 | (2,002,100) |
| NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year | | 228,636 2,951,704 | (705,716) 3,657,420 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR | | 3,180,340 | 2,951,704 |
| ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash and bank balances Non-pledged time deposits | | 3,180,340 – | 2,951,704 |
| Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position | 28 | 3,180,340 | 2,951,704 |
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1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION

Sichuan Expressway Company Limited (the "Company") is a limited liability company established in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"). The registered office of the Company is located at 252 Wuhouci Da Jie, Chengdu, Sichuan Province, the PRC.

During the year, Sichuan Expressway Company Limited and its subsidiaries (the "Group") were involved in the following principal activities:

- investment holding;
- management and operation of expressways and a high-grade toll bridge;
- construction and operation of gas stations along expressways;
- property development; and
- finance lease business.

In the opinion of the directors, Sichuan Transportation Investment Group Corporation Limited ("STIG") is the parent and the ultimate holding company of the Company, which is established in the PRC.

Information about subsidiaries

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries are as follows:

| Name | Nominal value of issued/ registered capital <i>RMB'000</i> | equity at | centage of tributable Company Indirect | Principal activities |
|---|---|-----------|---|--|
| Chengle Company | 560,790 | 100 | - | Construction and operation of Chengle Expressway |
| Chengdu Chengbei Exit Expressway Company Limited ("Chengbei Company") | 220,000 | 60 | - | Construction and operation of Chengbei Exit Expressway and Qinglongchang Bridge |
| Chengdu Shuhai Investment Managemen Company Limited | t 152,773 | 100 | | Investment holding |

1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Information about subsidiaries (Continued)

| Name | Nominal value of issued/ registered capital | equity at | centage of tributable Company Indirect | Principal activities |
|---|---|-----------|---|---|
| Sichuan Shuxia Industrial Company Limited ("Shuxia") | <i>RMB'000</i> 200,000 | 100 | - | Provision of ancillary services and property development |
| Sichuan Shunan Investment Management Company Limited | 200,000 | 100 | - | Construction project management and construction of roads |
| Sichuan Suiguang-Suixi Expressway Company Limited | 3,573,380 | 100 | - | Construction and operation of Suiguang Expressway and Suixi Expressway |
| Sichuan Chengya Expressway Oil Supply Company Limited | 27,200 | 51 | - | Management of gas stations along expressways |
| Renshou Trading Landmark Company Limited ("Renshou Landmark") | 200,000 | 91 | - | Property development |
| Chengyu Financial Leasing Company ("Chengyu Financial Lease") | 528,000 | 44.95 | 25.05 | Finance lease |
| Chengyu Logistics Company Limited | 50,000 | - | 100 | Logistics service |
| Sichuan Zhonglu Energy Company Limited | 52,000 | 51 | - | Management of gas stations along expressways |
| Chengdu Shuhong Property Company Limited | 100,000 | 100 | | Construction project management |
| | | | | |

1. CORPORATE AND GROUP INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Information about subsidiaries (Continued)

| | Nominal value of issued/ | equity att | entage of ributable Company | |
|---|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Name | registered capital RMB'000 | Direct | Indirect | Principal activities |
| Renshou Shunan Investment Management Company Limited | 100,000 | - | 100 | Construction project management |
| Ziyang Shunan Chengxing Project Construction & Management Company Limited | 157,600 | - | 94.99 | Construction project management |
| Sichuan Chengyu Commercial Factoring Company Limited ("Commercial Factoring Company") | 200,000 | - | 51 | Factoring service |
| Sichuan Multimodal United Transportation Investment and Development Co., Ltd.* ("Multimodal United Transportation Company") | 1,000,000 | 51 | _ | Project investment and investment consultation |

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

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") (which include all Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards, Hong Kong Accounting Standards ("HKASs") and Interpretations) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA"), accounting principles generally accepted in Hong Kong ("HK GAAP") and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance. They have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for certain equity investments which have been measured at fair value. These financial statements are presented in Renminbi ("RMB") and all values are rounded to nearest thousand except when otherwise indicated.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2020. A subsidiary is an entity, directly or indirectly, controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee (i.e., existing rights that give the Group the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee).

When the Company has, directly or indirectly, less than a majority of the voting or similar rights of an investee, the Group considers all relevant facts and circumstances in assessing whether it has power over an investee, including:

- (a) the contractual arrangement with the other vote holders of the investee;
- (b) rights arising from other contractual arrangements; and
- (c) the Group's voting rights and potential voting rights.

The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company, using consistent accounting policies. The results of subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance. All intra-group assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control described above. A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)

Basis of consolidation (Continued)

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises (i) the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary, (ii) the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest and (iii) the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity; and recognises (i) the fair value of the consideration received, (ii) the fair value of any investments retained and (iii) any resulting surplus or deficit in profit or loss. The Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to profit or loss or retained profits, as appropriate, on the same basis as would be required if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The Group has adopted the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting 2018* and the following revised HKFRSs for the first time for the current year's financial statements.

Amendments to HKFRS 3Definition of a BusinessAmendments to HKFRS 9,
HKAS 39 and HKFRS 7Interest Rate Benchmark ReformAmendment to HKFRS 16Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions (early adopted)Amendments to HKFRS 1, and HKAS 8Definition of Material

The nature and the impact of the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting 2018* and the revised HKFRSs are described below:

(a) Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting 2018 (the "Conceptual Framework") sets out a comprehensive set of concepts for financial reporting and standard setting, and provides guidance for prepares of financial statements in developing consistent accounting policies and assistance to all parties to understand and interpret the standards. The Conceptual Framework includes new chapters on measurement and reporting financial performance, new guidance on the derecognition of assets and liabilities, and updated definitions and recognition criteria for assets and liabilities. It also clarifies the roles of stewardship, prudence and measurement uncertainty in financial reporting. The Conceptual Framework is not a standard, and none of the concepts contained therein override the concepts or requirements in any standard. The Conceptual Framework did not have any significant impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

- (b) Amendments to HKFRS 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 prospectively to transactions or other events that occurred on or after 1 January 2020. The amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.
- (c) Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39 and HKFRS 7 address issues affecting financial reporting in the period before the replacement of an existing interest rate benchmark with an alternative risk-free rate ("RFR"). The amendments provide temporary reliefs which enable hedge accounting to continue during the period of uncertainty before the introduction of the alternative RFR. 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 hedging relationships.
- (d) Amendment to HKFRS 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 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 for annual periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020 with earlier application permitted and shall be applied retrospectively.

The Group has early adopted the amendment on 1 January 2020 and elected not to apply lease modification accounting for all rent concessions granted by the lessors as a result of the pandemic during the year ended 31 December 2020. The amendment did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group as the Group does not have any material rent concessions granted by the lessors.

2.2 CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(e) Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKAS 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, or both. The amendments did not have any significant impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

The Group has not applied the following new and revised HKFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective, in these financial statements.

| Amendments to HKFRS 3 Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39, HKFRS 7 HKFRS 4 and HKFRS 16 | Reference to the Conceptual Framework ² Interest Rate Benchmark Reform – Phase 2 ¹ |
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| Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 (2011) | Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture ⁴ |
| HKFRS 17 | Insurance Contracts ³ |
| Amendments to HKFRS 17 | Insurance Contracts ^{3,6} |
| Amendments to HKAS 1 | Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current ^{3,5} |
| Amendments to HKAS 16 | Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use ² |
| Amendments to HKAS 37 | Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract ² |
| Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018– 2020 | Amendments to HKFRS 1, HKFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying HKFRS 16, and HKAS 41 ² |

- ¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021
- ² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022
- ³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023
- ⁴ No mandatory effective date yet determined but available for adoption
- ⁵ As a consequence of the amendments to HKAS 1, Hong Kong Interpretation 5 *Presentation of Financial Statements Classification by the Borrower of a Term Loan that Contains a Repayment on Demand Clause* was revised in October 2020 to align the corresponding wording with no change in conclusion
- ⁶ As a consequence of the amendments to HKFRS 17 issued in October 2020, HKFRS 4 was amended to extend the temporary exemption that permits insurers to apply HKAS 39 rather than HKFRS 9 for annual periods beginning before 1 January 2023

2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

Further information about those HKFRSs that are expected to be applicable to the Group is described below.

Amendments to HKFRS 3 are intended to replace a reference to the previous *Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements* with a reference to the *Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting* issued in June 2018 without significantly changing its requirements. The amendments also add to HKFRS 3 an exception to its recognition principle for an entity to refer to the Conceptual Framework to determine what constitutes an asset or a liability. The exception specifies that, for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of HKAS 37 or HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 if they were incurred separately rather than assumed in a business combination, an entity applying HKFRS 3 should refer to HKAS 37 or HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 respectively instead of the Conceptual Framework. Furthermore, the amendments clarify that contingent assets do not qualify for recognition at the acquisition date. The Group expects to adopt the amendments prospectively from 1 January 2022. Since the amendments apply prospectively to business combinations for which the acquisition date is on or after the date of first application, the Group will not be affected by these amendments on the date of transition.

Amendments to HKFRS 9, HKAS 39, HKFRS 7, HKFRS 4 and HKFRS 16 address issues not dealt with in the previous amendments which affect financial reporting when an existing interest rate benchmark is replaced with an alternative RFR. The Phase 2 amendments provide a practical expedient to allow the effective interest rate to be updated without adjusting the carrying amount when accounting for changes in the basis for determining the contractual cash flows of financial assets and liabilities, if the change is a direct consequence of the interest rate benchmark reform and the new basis for determining the contractual cash flows is economically equivalent to the previous basis immediately preceding the change. In addition, the amendments permit changes required by the interest rate benchmark reform to be made to hedge designations and hedge documentation without the hedging relationship being discontinued. Any gains or losses that could arise on transition are dealt with through the normal requirements of HKFRS 9 to measure and recognise hedge ineffectiveness. The amendments also provide a temporary relief to entities from having to meet the separately identifiable requirement when an RFR is designated as a risk component. The relief allows an entity, upon designation of the hedge, to assume that the separately identifiable requirement is met, provided the entity reasonably expects the RFR risk component to become separately identifiable within the next 24 months. Furthermore, the amendments require an entity to disclose additional information to enable users of financial statements to understand the effect of interest rate benchmark reform on an entity's financial instruments and risk management strategy. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021 and shall be applied retrospectively, but entities are not required to restate the comparative information. The amendment is not expected to have a significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 (2011) address an inconsistency between the requirements in HKFRS 10 and in HKAS 28 (2011) in dealing with the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. The amendments require a full recognition of a gain or loss when the sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture constitutes a business. For a transaction involving assets that do not constitute a business, a gain or loss resulting from the transaction is recognised in the investor's profit or loss only to the extent of the unrelated investor's interest in that associate or joint venture. The amendments are to be applied prospectively. The previous mandatory effective date of amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28 (2011) was removed by the HKICPA in January 2016 and a new mandatory effective date will be determined after the completion of a broader review of accounting for associates and joint ventures. However, the amendments are available for adoption now.

Amendments to HKAS 1 clarify the requirements for classifying liabilities as current or non-current. The amendments specify that if an entity's right to defer settlement of a liability is subject to the entity complying with specified conditions, the entity has a right to defer settlement of the liability at the end of the reporting period if it complies with those conditions at that date. Classification of a liability is unaffected by the likelihood that the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of a liability. The amendments also clarify the situations that are considered a settlement of a liability. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 and shall be applied retrospectively. Earlier application is permitted. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Amendments to HKAS 16 prohibit an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognises the proceeds from selling any such items, and the cost of those items, in profit or loss. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 and shall be applied retrospectively only to items of property, plant and equipment made available for use on or after the beginning of the earliest period presented in the financial statements in which the entity first applies the amendments. Earlier application is permitted. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

2.3 ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (CONTINUED)

Amendments to HKAS 37 clarify that for the purpose of assessing whether a contract is onerous under HKAS 37, the cost of fulfilling the contract comprises the costs that relate directly to the contract. Costs that relate directly to a contract include both the incremental costs of fulfilling that contract (e.g., direct labour and materials) and an allocation of other costs that relate directly to fulfilling that contract (e.g., an allocation of the depreciation charge for an item of property, plant and equipment used in fulfilling the contract as well as contract management and supervision costs). General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 and shall be applied to contracts for which an entity has not yet fulfilled all its obligations at the beginning of the annual reporting period in which it first applies the amendments. Earlier application is permitted. Any cumulative effect of initially applying the amendments shall be recognised as an adjustment to the opening equity at the date of initial application without restating the comparative information. The amendments are not expected to have any significant impact on the Group's financial statements.

Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018–2020 sets out amendments to HKFRS 1, HKFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying HKFRS 16, and HKAS 41. Details of the amendments that are expected to be applicable to the Group are as follows:

- HKFRS 9 *Financial Instruments:* clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other's behalf. An entity applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment. The amendment is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022. Earlier application is permitted. The amendment is not expected to have a significant impact on the Group's financial statements.
- HKFRS 16 *Leases:* removes the illustration of payments from the lessor relating to leasehold improvements in Illustrative Example 13 accompanying HKFRS 16. This removes potential confusion regarding the treatment of lease incentives when applying HKFRS 16.

2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investments in associates and joint ventures

An associate is an entity in which the Group has a long-term interest of generally not less than 20% of the equity voting rights and over which it is in a position to exercise significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee, but is not control or joint control over those policies.

A joint venture is a type of joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the joint venture. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control.

The Group's investments in associates and joint ventures are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at the Group's share of net assets under the equity method of accounting, less any impairment losses.

The Group's share of the post-acquisition results and other comprehensive income of associates and joint ventures is included in profit or loss and other comprehensive income, respectively. In addition, when there has been a change recognised directly in the equity of the associate or joint venture, the Group recognises its share of any changes, when applicable, in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. Unrealised gains and losses resulting from transactions between the Group and its associates or joint ventures are eliminated to the extent of the Group's investments in the associates or joint ventures, except where unrealised losses provide evidence of an impairment of the assets transferred. Goodwill arising from the acquisition of associates/joint ventures is included as part of the Group's investments in associates or joint ventures.

Business combinations and goodwill

Business combinations not under common control are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred is measured at the acquisition date fair value which is the sum of the acquisition date fair values of assets transferred by the Group, liabilities assumed by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. For each business combination, the Group elects whether to measure the non-controlling interests in the acquiree that are present ownership interests and entitle their holders to a proportionate share of net assets in the event of liquidation at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. All other components of non-controlling interests are measured at fair value. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

The Group determines that it has acquired a business when the acquired set of activities and assets includes an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs.

2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Business combinations and goodwill (Continued)

When the Group acquires a business, it assesses the financial assets and liabilities assumed for appropriate classification and designation in accordance with the contractual terms, economic circumstances and pertinent conditions as at the acquisition date. This includes the separation of embedded derivatives in host contracts of the acquiree.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the previously held equity interest is remeasured at its acquisition date fair value and any resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Contingent consideration classified as an asset or liability is measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured and subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost, being the excess of the aggregate of the consideration transferred, the amount recognised for non-controlling interests and any fair value of the Group's previously held equity interests in the acquiree over the identifiable net assets acquired and liabilities assumed. If the sum of this consideration and other items is lower than the fair value of the net assets acquired, the difference is, after reassessment, recognised in profit or loss as a gain on bargain purchase.

After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may be impaired. The Group performs its annual impairment test of goodwill as at 31 December. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units, or groups of cash-generating units, that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the Group are assigned to those units or groups of units.

Impairment is determined by assessing the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) to which the goodwill relates. Where the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (group of cash-generating units) is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised. An impairment loss recognised for goodwill is not reversed in a subsequent period.

Where goodwill has been allocated to a cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the operation disposed of is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on the disposal. Goodwill disposed of in these circumstances is measured based on the relative value of the operation disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

2.4 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Fair value measurement

The Group measures its equity investments designated at fair value at the end of each reporting period. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either in the principal market for the asset or liability, or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability. The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Group. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 based on quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is observable, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 based on valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the Group determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by reassessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Where an indication of impairment exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required (other than inventories, contract assets, deferred tax assets, properties under development, completed properties held for sale and financial assets), the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of the asset's or cash-generating unit's value in use and its fair value less costs of disposal, and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An impairment loss is recognised only if the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. An impairment loss is charged to profit or loss in the period in which it arises in those expense categories consistent with the function of the impaired asset.

An assessment is made at the end of each reporting period as to whether there is an indication that previously recognised impairment losses may no longer exist or may have decreased. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount is estimated. A previously recognised impairment loss of an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount of that asset, but not to an amount higher than the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any depreciation/amortisation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years. A reversal of such impairment loss is credited to profit or loss in the period in which it arises.

Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
 - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
 - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
 - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or of a parent of the Group;

or

- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
 - (i) the entity and the Group are members of the same group;
 - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
 - (iii) the entity and the Group are joint ventures of the same third party;
 - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
 - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group;
 - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
 - (vii) a person identified in (a) (i) 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); and
 - (viii) 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 parent of the Group.

Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, other than construction in progress, are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment comprises its purchase price and any directly attributable costs of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use.

Expenditure incurred after items of property, plant and equipment have been put into operation, such as repairs and maintenance, is normally charged to profit or loss in the period in which it is incurred. In situations where the recognition criteria are satisfied, the expenditure for a major inspection is capitalised in the carrying amount of the asset as a replacement. Where significant parts of property, plant and equipment are required to be replaced at intervals, the Group recognises such parts as individual assets with specific useful lives and depreciates them accordingly.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis to write off the cost of each item of property, plant and equipment to its residual value over its estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives used for this purpose are as follows:

| Safety equipment | 10 years |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Communication and signalling systems | 10 years |
| Toll collection equipment | 8 years |
| Buildings | 15 – 30 years |
| Machinery and equipment | 5 – 10 years |
| Motor vehicles | 8 years |

Where parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, the cost of that item is allocated on a reasonable basis among the parts and each part is depreciated separately. Residual values, useful lives and the depreciation method are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at least at each financial year end.

An item of property, plant and equipment including any significant part initially recognised is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on disposal or retirement recognised in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset.

Construction in progress represents items of property, plant and equipment under construction which are stated at cost less any impairment losses, and are not depreciated. Cost comprises the purchase price of equipment and direct costs of construction, installation and testing incurred during the period of construction. Construction in progress is reclassified to the appropriate category of property, plant and equipment when completed and ready for use.

Service concession arrangements

Service concession arrangements represent the rights to charge users of the public service that the Group obtained under the service concession arrangements. Service concession arrangements are stated at cost, that is, the fair value of the consideration received or receivable in exchange for the construction services provided under the service concession arrangements, less accumulated amortisation and any impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditures such as repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred. In situations where the recognition criteria are satisfied, the expenditures are capitalised as an additional cost of service concession arrangements.

Amortisation of service concession arrangements, other than gas stations, is provided on a unit-ofusage basis to write off the costs of these arrangements, based on the share of traffic volume in a particular period over the projected total traffic volume throughout the periods for which the Group is granted to operate those service concession arrangements.

Amortisation of gas stations that are recognised as part of the underlying infrastructure of the service concession arrangements is provided on the straight-line basis to write off the costs of gas stations over the periods for which the Group is granted the rights to charge users under the service concession arrangements.

It is the Group's policy to review regularly the projected total traffic volume throughout the concession periods of the respective service concession arrangements. If it is considered appropriate, independent professional traffic studies will be performed. Appropriate adjustment will be made should there be a material change in the projected total traffic volume.

Costs incurred during the period of construction of underlying assets of a service concession arrangement are recorded in the service concession arrangement and will be amortised upon the commencement of operation of the service concession arrangement.

Particulars of the expressways managed and operated by the Group as at 31 December 2020 are as follows:

| | Origin/destination | | Date of commencement of operations of the entire toll expressway |
|--------------------------|--|-----|--|
| Chengyu Expressway | Chengdu/Shangjiapo | 226 | 7 October 1997 |
| Chengya Expressway | Chengdu/Duiyan | 144 | 1 January 2000 |
| Chengren Expressway | Jiangjia/Zhichanggou | 107 | 18 September 2012 |
| Chengle Expressway | Qinglongchang/Guliba | 86 | 1 January 2000 |
| Chengbei Exit Expressway | Qinglongchang/Baihelin | 10 | 21 December 1998 |
| Suiguang Expressway | Jinqiao interchange/ Hongtudi interchange | 103 | 9 October 2016 |
| Suixi Expressway | Fushanba/Taiping interchange | 68 | 9 October 2016 |
| | | | |

Leases

The Group assesses at contract inception whether a 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.

Group as a lessee

The Group applies a single recognition and measurement approach for all leases, except for shortterm leases and leases of low-value assets. The Group recognises lease liabilities to make lease payments and right-of-use assets representing the right to use the underlying assets.

(a) Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are recognised at the commencement date of the lease (that is the date the underlying asset is available for use). Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities. The cost of right-of-use assets includes the amount of lease liabilities recognised, initial direct costs incurred, and lease payments made at or before the commencement date less any lease incentives received. Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease terms and the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

| Leasehold land | 11 to 70 years |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Land and office buildings | 1 to 5 years |

If ownership of the leased asset transfers to the Group by the end of the lease term or the cost reflects the exercise of a purchase option, depreciation is calculated using the estimated useful life of the asset.

Leases (Continued)

Group as a lessee (Continued)

(b) Lease liabilities

Lease liabilities are recognised at the commencement date of the lease at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. The lease payments include fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, and amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees. The lease payments also include the exercise price of a purchase option reasonably certain to be exercised by the Group and payments of penalties for termination of a lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising the option to terminate the lease. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable. After the commencement date, the amount of lease liabilities is increased to reflect the accretion of interest and reduced for the lease payments made. In addition, the carrying amount of lease liabilities is remeasured if there is a modification, a change in the lease term, a change in lease payments (e.g., a change to future lease payments resulting from a change in an index or rate) or a change in assessment of an option to purchase the underlying asset.

The Group's lease liabilities are included in interest-bearing bank and other borrowings.

(c) Short-term leases

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to its short-term leases of buildings (that is those leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option). Lease payments on short-term leases are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Leases (Continued)

Group as a lessor

When the Group acts as a lessor, it classifies at lease inception (or when there is a lease modification) each of its leases as either an operating lease or a finance lease.

Leases in which the Group does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset are classified as operating leases. 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. Rental income is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the lease terms and is included in revenue in the statement of profit or loss due to its operating nature. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised over the lease term on the same basis as rental income. Contingent rents are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are earned.

Leases that transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset to the lessee are accounted for as finance leases. At the commencement date, the cost of the leased asset is capitalised at the present value of the lease payments and related payments (including the initial direct costs), and presented as a receivable at an amount equal to the net investment in the lease. The finance income on the net investment in the lease is recognised in the statement of profit or loss so as to provide a constant periodic rate of return over the lease terms.

Investments and other financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income, and fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group's business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component or for which the Group has applied the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Group initially measures a financial asset at its fair value, plus in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs. Trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing expedient are measured at the transaction price determined under HKFRS 15 in accordance with the policies set out for "Revenue recognition" below.

Investments and other financial assets (Continued)

Initial recognition and measurement (Continued)

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI") on the principal amount outstanding. Financial assets with cash flows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model.

The Group's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Financial assets classified and measured at amortised cost are held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows, while financial assets classified and measured at fair value through other comprehensive income are held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling. Financial assets which are not held within the aforementioned business models are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss.

All regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, that is, the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the period generally established by regulation or convention in the marketplace.

Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

Financial assets at amortised cost (debt instruments)

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in the statement of profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired.

Investments and other financial assets (Continued)

Subsequent measurement (Continued)

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (debt instruments)

For debt investments at fair value through other comprehensive income, interest income, foreign exchange revaluation and impairment losses or reversals are recognised in the statement of profit or loss and computed in the same manner as for financial assets measured at amortised cost. The remaining fair value changes are recognised in other comprehensive income. Upon derecognition, the cumulative fair value change recognised in other comprehensive income is recycled to the statement of profit or loss.

Financial assets designated at fair value through other comprehensive income (equity investments)

Upon initial recognition, the Group can elect to classify irrevocably its equity investments as equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income when they meet the definition of equity under HKAS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation* and are not held for trading. The classification is determined on an instrument-by-instrument basis.

Gains and losses on these financial assets are never recycled to the statement of profit or loss. Dividends are recognised as other income in the statement of profit or loss when the right of payment has been established, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the dividend will flow to the Group and the amount of the dividend can be measured reliably, except when the Group benefits from such proceeds as a recovery of part of the cost of the financial asset, in which case such gains are recorded in other comprehensive income. Equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income are not subject to impairment assessment.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the statement of profit or loss.

This category includes derivative instruments and equity investments which the Group had not irrevocably elected to classify at fair value through other comprehensive income. Dividends on equity investments classified as financial assets at fair value profit or loss are also recognised as other income in the statement of profit or loss when the right of payment has been established, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the dividend will flow to the Group and the amount of the dividend can be measured reliably.

Derecognition of financial assets

A financial asset (or, where applicable, a part of a financial asset or part of a group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised (i.e., removed from the Group's consolidated statement of financial position) when:

- the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired; or
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a "pass-through" arrangement; and either (a) the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risk and rewards of ownership of the asset. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of the asset, the Group continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the Group also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Group has retained.

Continuing involvement that takes the form of a guarantee over the transferred asset is measured at the lower of the original carrying amount of the asset and the maximum amount of consideration that the Group could be required to repay.

Impairment of financial assets

The Group recognises an allowance for expected credit losses ("ECLs") for all debt instruments not held at fair value through profit or loss. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

General approach

ECLs are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12 months (a 12-month ECL). For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of the timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition. When making the assessment, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition and considers reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort, including historical and forward-looking information.

The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Group may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Group is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Group. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

Financial assets at amortised cost and loans to customers are subject to impairment under the general approach and they are classified within the following stages for measurement of ECLs except for trade receivables and contract assets which apply the simplified approach as detailed below.

- Stage 1 Financial instruments for which credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs
- Stage 2 Financial instruments for which credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition but that are not credit-impaired financial assets and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs
- Stage 3 Financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date (but that are not purchased or originated credit-impaired) and for which the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs

Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

General approach (Continued)

If, at the financial reporting date, the financial instrument, whose impairment provision was measured at lifetime ECL, no longer belongs to the situation of there being a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, the Group will measure the impairment allowance of the financial instruments on the financial reporting date at 12-month ECL.

Simplified approach

For trade receivables and contract assets that do not contain a significant financing component or when the Group applies the practical expedient of not adjusting the effect of a significant financing component, the Group applies the simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Under the simplified approach, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

For trade receivables and contract assets that contain a significant financing component and loans to customers, the Group chooses as its accounting policy to adopt the general approach in calculating ECLs with policies as described above.

Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, payables, loans and borrowings, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs.

The Group's financial liabilities include trade and other payables, dividend payables and interestbearing bank and other borrowings.

Financial liabilities (Continued)

Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of loans and borrowings is as follows:

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. The effective interest rate amortisation is included in "Finance costs" in profit or loss.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled, or expires.

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and a recognition of a new liability, and the difference between the respective carrying amounts is recognised in profit or loss.

Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

Properties under development

Properties under development are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value and comprise construction costs, borrowing costs, professional fees, payments for land use rights and other costs directly attributable to such properties incurred during the development period.

Properties under development are classified as current assets unless the construction of the relevant property development project is expected to complete beyond the normal operating cycle.

Completed properties held for sale

Completed properties held for sale are stated of the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined by apportionment of the total land and development costs, attributable to the unsold properties. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less costs to be incurred in selling the properties based on the prevailing market condition.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on the weighted average basis. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling prices less any estimated cost to be incurred to completion and disposal.

Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and demand deposits, and short term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and have a short maturity of generally within three months when acquired.

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of financial position, cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and at banks, including term deposits, which are not restricted as to use.

Provisions

A provision is recognised when a present obligation (legal or constructive) has arisen as a result of a past event and it is probable that a future outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation, provided that a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

When the effect of discounting is material, the amount recognised for a provision is the present value at the end of the reporting period of the future expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The increase in the discounted present value amount arising from the passage of time is included in "Finance costs" in profit or loss.

Income tax

Income tax comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax relating to items recognised outside profit or loss is recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

Current tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authorities, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period, taking into consideration interpretations and practices prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates.

Deferred tax is provided, using the liability method, on all temporary differences at the end of the reporting period between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences, except:

- when the deferred tax liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, when the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences can be controlled and it is probable that the temporary differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and any unused tax losses. Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carryforward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised, except:

- when the deferred tax asset relating to the deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting profit nor taxable profit or loss; and
- in respect of deductible temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, deferred tax assets are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that the temporary differences will reverse in the foreseeable future and taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Income tax (Continued)

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset if and only if the Group has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets and current tax liabilities and the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities which intend either to settle current tax liabilities and assets on a net basis, or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously, in each future period in which significant amounts of deferred tax liabilities or assets are expected to be settled or recovered.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at their fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and all attaching conditions will be complied with. When the grant relates to an expense item, it is recognised as income on a systematic basis over the periods that the costs, for which it is intended to compensate, are expensed.

Where the grant relates to an asset, the fair value is credited to a deferred income account and is released to profit or loss over the expected useful life of the relevant asset by equal annual instalments or deducted from the carrying amount of asset and released to profit or loss by way of a reduced depreciation charge.

Revenue recognition

Revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognised when control of goods or services is transferred to the customers at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services.

When the consideration in a contract includes a variable amount, the amount of consideration is estimated to which the Group will be entitled in exchange for transferring the goods or services to the customer. The variable consideration is estimated at contract inception and constrained until it is highly probable that a significant revenue reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the associated uncertainty with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

When the contract contains a financing component which provides the customer with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer for more than one year, revenue is measured at the present value of the amount receivable, discounted using the discount rate that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction between the Group and the customer at contract inception. When the contract contains a financing component which provides the Group with a significant financial benefit for more than one year, revenue recognised under the contract includes the interest expense accreted on the contract liability under the effective interest method. For a contract where the period between the payment by the customer and the transfer of the promised goods or services is one year or less, the transaction price is not adjusted for the effects of a significant financing component, using the practical expedient in HKFRS 15.

(a) Provision of road operation services

Revenue from the provision of road operation services is recognised at the point of time when the relevant services have been provided and the Group has received the payment or the right to receive payment has been established.

(b) Sale of properties

Revenue from the sale of property is recognised at the point in time when control of the asset is transferred to the customer, generally on delivery of the properties.

Revenue recognition (Continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

(c) Sale of industrial products

Revenue from the sale of industrial products is recognised at the point in time when control of the products is transferred to the customer, generally on delivery of the industrial products.

(d) Construction services

Revenue from the provision of construction services is recognised over time, using an input method to measure progress towards complete satisfaction of the service, because the Group's performance creates or enhances an asset that the customer controls as the asset is created or enhanced. The input method recognises revenue based on the proportion of the actual costs incurred relative to the estimated total costs for satisfaction of the construction services.

Claims to customers are amounts that the Group seeks to collect from the customers as reimbursement of costs and margins for scope of works not included in the original construction contract. Claims are accounted for as variable consideration and constrained until it is highly probable that a significant revenue reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur when the associated uncertainty with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved. The Group uses the expected values method to estimate the amount of claims because this method best predicts the amount of variable consideration to which the Group will be entitled.

(e) Provision of the construction and upgrade services under service concession arrangements

Revenue from the construction and upgrade services provided under the service concession arrangements is recognised over time, using the input method, as further explained in the accounting policy for "Construction and upgrade services under service concession arrangements" below;

Revenue recognition (Continued)

Revenue from other sources

- (a) Rental income is recognised on a time proportion basis over the lease terms; Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are incurred; and
- (b) Interest income from the commercial factoring and sale-leaseback principal of a finance lease, on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the net investment of the commercial factoring and finance lease or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the net investment of the commercial factoring and finance lease.

Other Income

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Dividend income is recognised when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the dividend will flow to the Group and the amount of the dividend can be measured reliably.

Contract assets

A contract asset is the right to consideration in exchange for goods or services transferred to the customer. If the Group performs by transferring goods or services to a customer before the customer pays consideration or before payment is due, a contract asset is recognised for the earned consideration that is conditional. Contract assets are subject to impairment assessment, details of which are included in the accounting policies for impairment of financial assets.

Contract liabilities

A contract liability is recognised when a payment is received or a payment is due (whichever is earlier) from a customer before the Group transfers the related goods or services. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the Group performs under the contract (i.e., transfers control of the related goods or services to the customer).

Contract costs

Other than the costs which are capitalised as inventories, property, plant and equipment and intangible assets, costs incurred to fulfil a contract with a customer are capitalised as an asset if all of the following criteria are met:

- (a) The costs relate directly to a contract or to an anticipated contract that the entity can specifically identify.
- (b) The costs generate or enhance resources of the entity that will be used in satisfying (or in continuing to satisfy) performance obligations in the future.
- (c) The costs are expected to be recovered.

The capitalised contract costs are amortised and charged to the statement of profit or loss on a systematic basis that is consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the asset relates. Other contract costs are expensed as incurred.

Construction and upgrade services under service concession arrangements

The Group recognises income and expenses associated with construction and upgrade services provided under the service concession arrangements in accordance with HKFRS 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*.

Revenue generated from construction and upgrade services rendered by the Group is measured at fair value of the consideration received or receivable. The consideration represents the rights to obtain an intangible asset.

The Group uses the input method to determine the appropriate amount of income and expenses to be recognised in a given period, provided that the revenue, the costs incurred and the estimated costs to completion can be measured reliably. The stage of completion is measured by reference to the construction costs of the related infrastructure incurred up to the end of the reporting period as a percentage of the total estimated costs for each contract.

Employee benefits

Defined contribution pension scheme

In accordance with the state regulations of the PRC, the Group participates in a defined contribution pension scheme. All retired employees are entitled to an annual pension equivalent to a fixed proportion of the average basic salary amount within the geographical area of their last employment at their retirement date. During the year, the Group was required to make contributions to a local social security bureau at a rate of 16% of the employees' salaries or wages of the current year, up to an amount equivalent to three times the employees' average salaries of the prior year within the geographical area where the employees are employed. The contributions are charged to profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the central pension scheme.

Supplementary defined contribution pension scheme

In addition, on 1 January 2007, a supplementary defined contribution pension scheme managed by an independent financial institution was established. Under the plan, the Group makes a monthly defined contribution to certain qualified employees at certain rates of the qualified employees' salaries or wages of the prior year. There were no vested benefits attributable to past service upon the adoption of the plan. The contributions under the supplementary defined contribution pension scheme are charged to profit or loss as incurred.

Housing fund

According to the relevant rules and regulations of the Sichuan Province, the Group and its employees are each required to make contributions, which are in proportion to the employees' salaries or wages of the prior year, to a housing fund. Contributions to a housing fund administered by the Public Accumulation Funds Administration Centre are charged to profit or loss as incurred.

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, i.e., assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are capitalised as part of the cost of those assets. The capitalisation of such borrowing costs ceases when the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs capitalised. All other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. Borrowing costs consist of interest and other costs that an entity incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds.

Dividends

Final dividends are recognised as a liability when they are approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. Proposed final dividends are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

Interim dividends are simultaneously proposed and declared, because the Company's articles of association grant the directors the authority to declare interim dividends. Consequently, interim dividends are recognised immediately as a liability when they are proposed and declared.

Foreign currencies

These financial statements are presented in RMB, which is the Company's functional currency. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency. Foreign currency transactions recorded by the entities in the Group are initially recorded using their respective functional currency rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the functional currency rates of exchange ruling at the end of the reporting period. Differences arising on settlement or translation of monetary items are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the initial transactions. Non-monetary items measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was measured. The gain or loss arising on translation of a non-monetary item measured at fair value is treated in line with the recognition of the gain or loss on change in fair value of the item (i.e., translation difference on the item whose fair value gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income or profit or loss, respectively).

The resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the exchange fluctuation reserve.

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3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The preparation of the Group's financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities, and their accompanying disclosures, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Uncertainty about these significant assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities affected in the future.

Estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are described below.

(a) **Provision for ECLs on trade receivables, loans to customers and contract assets**

The Group uses a provision matrix to calculate ECLs for trade receivables, loans to customers and contract assets. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments that have similar loss patterns

The provision matrix is initially based on the Group's historical observed default rates. The Group will calibrate the matrix to adjust the historical credit loss experience with forward-looking information. For instance, if forecast economic conditions (i.e., gross domestic product) are expected to deteriorate over the next year which can lead to an increased number of defaults, the historical default rates are adjusted. At each reporting date, the historical observed default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analysed.

The assessment of the correlation among historical observed default rates, forecast economic conditions and ECLs is a significant estimate. The amount of ECLs is sensitive to changes in circumstances and forecast economic conditions. The Group's historical credit loss experience and forecast of economic conditions may also not be representative of a customer's actual default in the future. The information about the ECLs on the Group's trade receivables, loans to customers and contract assets is disclosed in notes 18, 25 and 26 to the financial statements, respectively.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES (CONTINUED)

Estimation uncertainty (Continued)

(b) Percentage of completion of construction and upgrade services provided under service concession arrangements and construction contracts

The Group recognises income and expenses associated with construction and upgrade services provided under service concession arrangements and construction contracts in accordance with HKFRS 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers*. The Group recognises construction revenue under service concession arrangements and construction contracts according to the input of individual contracts of construction and upgrade service work, which requires estimation to be made by management. The stage of completion and the corresponding contract revenue are estimated by management. Due to the nature of the activity undertaken in construction contracts, the date at which the activity is entered into and the date at which the activity is completed usually fall into different accounting periods. Hence, the Group reviews and revises the estimates of both contract revenue and contract costs in the budget prepared for each contract as the contract progresses. Where the actual contract revenue is less than expected or actual contracts costs are more than expected, an impairment loss may arise.

(c) Impairment of non-financial assets

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for all non-financial assets (including the right-of-use assets) at the end of each reporting period. The non-financial assets are tested for impairment when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. An impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or a cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The calculation of the fair value less costs of disposal is based on available data from binding sales transactions in an arm's length transaction of similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs for disposing of the asset. When value in use calculations are undertaken, management must estimate the expected future cash flows from the asset or cash-generating unit and choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows.

(d) Amortisation of service concession arrangements

Amortisation of service concession arrangements is calculated under the unit-of-usage method, whereby the amortisation is provided based on the share of traffic volume in a particular period over the projected total traffic volume throughout the periods for which the Group is granted to operate those service concession arrangements. The projected total traffic volume over the respective concession periods could change significantly. The Group reviews regularly the projected total traffic volume throughout the operating periods of the respective service concession arrangements. If it is considered appropriate, independent professional traffic studies will be performed. Appropriate adjustment will be made should there be a material change in the projected total traffic volume.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES (CONTINUED)

Estimation uncertainty (Continued)

(e) Fair value of unlisted equity investments

The unlisted equity investments have been valued based on a market-based valuation technique as detailed in note 38 to the financial statements. The valuation requires the Group to determine the comparable public companies (peers) and select the price multiple. In addition, the Group makes estimates about the discount for illiquidity and size differences. The Group classifies the fair value of these investments as Level 3. The fair value of the unlisted equity investments at 31 December 2020 was RMB174,290,000 (2019: RMB253,870,000). Further details are included in note 17 to the financial statements.

(f) Deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses can be utilised. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies. The carrying amount of deferred tax assets at 31 December 2020 was RMB31,014,000 (2019: RMB157,000). Further details are given in note 21 to the financial statements.

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4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their services and products and has five reportable operating segments as follows:

- (a) the toll roads and bridges segment comprises the operation of expressways and a high-grade toll bridge in Mainland China;
- (b) the city operation segment comprises the provision of construction and upgrade services under the service concession arrangements and construction contracts, advertising, the rental of properties along expressways, investment and development of properties located in Mainland China and trade sales of commodities;
- (c) the financial investment segment comprises finance lease operation, factoring business and financial investment;
- (d) the energy investment segment comprises the operation of gas stations along expressways, sale of petrochemicals and other oil products; and
- (e) the transportation, tourism, culture and education segment mainly comprises education operations.

The senior management of the company monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit, which is a measure of adjusted profit before tax. The adjusted profit before tax is measured consistently with the Group's profit before tax except that interest income on bank deposits, dividend income and other unallocated income and gains, as well as head office, corporate and other unallocated expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude deferred tax assets, pledged deposits, restricted deposits, cash and cash equivalents, equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as these assets are managed on a group basis.

Segment liabilities exclude dividend payables as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED) 4.

Year ended 31 December 2020

| | Toll roads and bridges <i>RMB'000</i> | City operation <i>RMB'000</i> | Financial investment <i>RMB'000</i> | Energy investment <i>RMB'000</i> | Transportation, tourism, culture and education <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------|
| SEGMENT REVENUE (note 5) | 3,007,666 | 3,545,098 | 186,695 | 1,459,151 | - | 8,198,610 |
| SEGMENT RESULTS | 732,036 | 188,190 | 72,509 | 157,365 | (60) | 1,150,040 |
| Reconciliation: Unallocated income and gains Corporate and other unallocated expenses | | | | | | 181,773 |
| (other than interest on lease liabilities) | | | | | | (340,206) |
| Profit before tax | | | | | | 991,607 |
| SEGMENT ASSETS <i>Reconciliation:</i> Equity investments designated | 29,081,491 | 4,950,053 | 2,618,966 | 202,727 | 6,386 | 36,859,623 |
| at fair value through other comprehensive income | | | | | | 281,883 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | | | | | | 494 |
| Deferred tax assets | | | | | | 31,014 |
| Pledged deposits | | | | | | 15,000 |
| Restricted deposits Cash and cash equivalents | | | | | | 36,027 3,180,340 |
| | | | | | | 0,100,010 |
| Total assets | | | | | | 40,404,381 |
| SEGMENT LIABILITIES Reconciliation: | 19,141,612 | 3,610,391 | 1,020,021 | 67,787 | 1,455 | 23,841,266 |
| Dividend payables | | | | | | 29,434 |
| Total liabilities | | | | | | 23,870,700 |
| OTHER SEGMENT INFORMATION | | | | | | |
| Share of profits and losses | | | | | | |
| of associates | 14,785 | 1,005 | (23,161) | - | - | (7,371) |
| Share of profits and losses of joint ventures | 11,044 | _ | 3,066 | - | _ | 14,110 |
| Interest expenses | 574,658 | - 57,536 | 3,000 70 | - 587 | - 60 | 632,911 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 891,832 | 12,522 | 3,318 | 15,743 | 939 | 924,354 |
| Investments in associates | 75,125 | 72,085 | 141,917 | - | - | 289,127 |
| Investments in joint ventures | 129,380 | - | 8,546 | - | - | 137,926 |
| Capital expenditure* | 3,101,619 | 10,911 | 437 | 3,389 | 28 | 3,116,384 |

Capital expenditure consists of additions to service concession arrangements and property, plant and equipment.

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Year ended 31 December 2019

| | | | | | Transportation, | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------------|-------------|
| | T 11 1 | 0.1 | -· · · | _ | tourism, | |
| | Toll roads | City | Financial | Energy | culture and | τ. |
| | and bridges | operation | investment | investment | education | Tota |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| SEGMENT REVENUE (note 5) | 3,899,438 | 1,987,349 | 147,321 | 1,772,635 | - | 7,806,74 |
| SEGMENT RESULTS | 1,308,814 | 151,144 | 44,577 | 150,474 | (6) | 1,655,00 |
| <i>Reconciliation:</i> Unallocated income and gains | | | | | | 145,65 |
| Corporate and other unallocated expenses | | | | | | (337,11 |
| | | | | | | |
| Profit before tax | | | | | | 1,463,539 |
| SEGMENT ASSETS Reconciliation: | 26,755,466 | 4,850,451 | 2,562,356 | 242,362 | 7,254 | 34,417,88 |
| Equity investments designated | | | | | | |
| at fair value through other | | | | | | |
| comprehensive income | | | | | | 372,78 |
| Financial assets at fair value | | | | | | 70.00 |
| through profit or loss Deferred tax assets | | | | | | 73,93 15 |
| Pledged deposits | | | | | | 15,00 |
| Restricted deposits | | | | | | 29,10 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | | | | | 2,951,70 |
| Total assets | | | | | | 37,860,57 |
| | | | | | | 07,000,07 |
| SEGMENT LIABILITIES | 16,892,562 | 3,380,983 | 1,372,064 | 48,344 | 2,168 | 21,696,12 |
| Reconciliation: | | | | | | |
| Dividend payables | | | | | | 10,48 |
| Total liabilities | | | | | | 21,706,60 |
| OTHER SEGMENT INFORMATION | | | | | | |
| Share of profits and losses | | | | | | |
| of associates | 17,324 | 30 | 11,441 | _ | _ | 28,79 |
| Share of profits and losses | 17,024 | 00 | , | | | 20,70 |
| of joint ventures | (217) | _ | (63) | - | _ | (28 |
| Interest expenses | 631,652 | 53,937 | 37,240 | 719 | 6 | 723,55 |
| Depreciation and amortisation | 841,701 | 9,183 | 3,615 | 16,175 | 85 | 870,75 |
| Investments in associates | 76,088 | 71,080 | 171,259 | _ | - | 318,42 |
| Investments in joint ventures | 132,794 | _ | 2,580 | - | - | 135,37 |
| Capital expenditure | 1,646,795 | 14,646 | 692 | 1,805 | 162 | 1,664,10 |

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

Entity-wide disclosures

Geographical information

The Group is domiciled in Mainland China. All external revenues of the Group are generated in Mainland China. The Group's non-current assets are all located in Mainland China. Thus, no geographic segment information is presented.

Information about major customers

During the year ended 31 December 2020, no revenue derived from a single customer accounted for 10% or more of the Group's total revenue.

5. REVENUE, OTHER INCOME AND GAINS

An analysis of revenue is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Revenue from contracts with customers | 7,991,225 | 7,626,806 |
| Revenue from other sources Finance leasing Commercial factoring | 169,085 17,610 | 143,341 3,980 |
| Gross rental income from operating leases: other lease payments, including fixed payments | 20,690 | 32,616 |
| | 207,385 | 179,937 |
| | 8,198,610 | 7,806,743 |

Revenue from contracts with customers

(a) Disaggregated revenue information

For the year ended 31 December 2020

Segments

| | Toll roads and bridges <i>RMB'000</i> | City operation <i>RMB'000</i> | Financial investment <i>RMB'000</i> | Tı Energy investment <i>RMB'000</i> | ansportation, tourism, culture and education <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB '000</i> |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--------------------------|
| Type of goods or services | | | | | | |
| Toll income | 3,007,666 | - | - | - | - | 3,007,666 |
| Construction services | - | 2,961,311 | - | - | - | 2,961,311 |
| Sale of industrial products | - | 41,543 | - | 1,459,151 | - | 1,500,694 |
| Property development | - | 462,788 | - | - | - | 462,788 |
| Others | - | 58,766 | - | - | - | 58,766 |
| Total revenue from contracts with customers | 3,007,666 | 3,524,408 | _ | 1,459,151 | _ | 7,991,225 |

Geographical markets

Revenues under HKFRS 15 are all generated in Mainland China.

| Timing of revenue recognition Goods transferred at a point in time | 3,007,666 | 563,097 | - | 1,459,151 | - | 5,029,914 |
|--|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|---|-----------|
| Services transferred over time | - | 2,961,311 | - | - | - | 2,961,311 |
| | | | | | · | |
| Total revenue from contracts | | | | | | |
| with customers | 3,007,666 | 3,524,408 | - | 1,459,151 | - | 7,991,225 |



Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

(a) Disaggregated revenue information (Continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2019

Segments

| | Toll roads and bridges <i>RMB'000</i> | City operation <i>RMB'000</i> | Financial investment <i>RMB'000</i> | Energy investment <i>RMB'000</i> | Transportation, tourism, culture and education <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB '000</i> |
|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|--|--------------------------|
| Type of goods or services | | | | | | |
| Toll income | 3,899,438 | - | - | - | - | 3,899,438 |
| Construction services | - | 1,650,189 | - | - | - | 1,650,189 |
| Sale of industrial products | - | 205,207 | - | 1,772,635 | - | 1,977,842 |
| Property development | - | 31,780 | - | - | - | 31,780 |
| Others | | 67,557 | _ | _ | | 67,557 |
| Total revenue from contracts | | | | | | |
| with customers | 3,899,438 | 1,954,733 | - | 1,772,635 | - | 7,626,806 |

Geographical markets

Revenues under HKFRS 15 are all generated in Mainland China.

| Timing of revenue recognition | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|---|-----------|
| Goods transferred at a point in time | 3,899,438 | 304,544 | - | 1,772,635 | - | 5,976,617 |
| Services transferred over time | - | 1,650,189 | - | - | - | 1,650,189 |
| | | | | | | |
| Total revenue from contracts | | | | | | |
| with customers | 3,899,438 | 1,954,733 | - | 1,772,635 | - | 7,626,806 |

The following table shows the amount of revenue recognised in the current reporting period that was included in the contract liabilities at the beginning of the reporting period:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Revenue recognised that was included in contract liabilities at the beginning of the reporting period: | | 04 700 |
| Property development | 462,788 | 31,780 |
| | L | |

Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

(b) Performance obligations

Information about the Group's performance obligations is summarised below:

Toll income

The performance obligation is satisfied when the relevant services have been provided upon the completion of passing through the expressway.

Sale of industrial products

The performance obligation is satisfied upon delivery of the industrial products and payment is generally due within 30 to 90 days from delivery, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required.

Construction services

The performance obligation is satisfied over time as services are rendered and payment is generally due within 30 days to 3 years from the date of billing. A certain percentage of payment is retained by customers until the end of the retention period as the Group's entitlement to the final payment is conditional on the satisfaction of the service quality by the customers over a certain period as stipulated in the contracts.

Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

(b) Performance obligations (Continued)

Property development

The performance obligation is satisfied at the point in time when the purchaser obtains control of the assets. Prepayments are usually received in advance of the performance under the contracts which are mainly from property development and sales.

The amounts of transaction prices allocated to the remaining performance obligations (unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied) as at 31 December are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Amounts expected to be recognised as revenue: Within one year After one year | 3,112,247 4,532,970 | 2,661,227 2,060,252 |
| | 7,645,217 | 4,721,479 |

The amounts of transaction prices allocated to the remaining performance obligations which are expected to be recognised as revenue after one year relate to sales of property development and the provision of the construction and upgrade services, of which the performance obligations are to be satisfied within two to five years. All the other amounts of transaction prices allocated to the remaining performance obligations are expected to be recognised as revenue within one year. The amounts disclosed above do not include variable consideration which is constrained.

Revenue from contracts with customers (Continued)

(b) Performance obligations (Continued)

Property development (Continued)

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Other income and gains | | |
| Interest income from bank deposits | 47,388 | 62,709 |
| Interest income from discounting long-term | | |
| compensation receivables | 4,266 | 5,244 |
| Interest income arising from revenue contracts | 120,567 | 118,208 |
| Rental income from operating leases of other lease | | |
| payments, including fixed payments | 4,314 | 5,932 |
| Government grants* | 60,529 | 14,075 |
| Dividend income from equity investments | | |
| designated at fair value through other | | |
| comprehensive income (note 17) | 8,633 | 6,621 |
| Road damage compensation income | 44,929 | 43,042 |
| Fair value gains/(loss) on financial assets on at fair | (00) | 0.000 |
| value through profit or loss | (89) | 3,983 |
| Gain on disposal of financial assets on at fair value | 0.400 | 101 |
| through profit or loss | 3,468 | 161 |
| Dividend income from financial assets at fair value | 2 240 | |
| through profit or loss Miscellaneous | 2,348 | - 0.122 |
| | 10,253 | 9,132 |
| T | | 000 107 |
| Total other income and gains | 306,606 | 269,107 |

There were no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies relating to these grants.

FINANCE COSTS 6.

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Interest on bank and other borrowings Interest on medium term notes Interest on lease liabilities <i>(note14(c))</i> | 700,258 92,426 9,870 | 720,911 98,798 8,535 |
| | 802,554 | 828,244 |
| Less: Interest capitalised in respect of: – Service concession arrangements <i>(note 13(d))</i> | (74,187) | (24,565) |
| Properties under development (note 23) Interest recorded under cost of sales | (10,441) (85,015) | (12,389) (67,736) |
| | 632,911 | 723,554 |
| Interest rate of borrowing costs capitalised | 4.41%-7.8% | 4.41%-7.8% |

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7. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

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

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|-------------------|---|--|
| Employee benefit expenses (including directors', chief executive's and supervisors' remuneration | | | |
| (note 8)): Wages and salaries | | 573,489 | 532,816 |
| Pension scheme contributions – Defined contribution fund Housing fund | | 46,554 | 71,485 |
| Defined contribution fund Supplementary pension scheme | | 54,782 | 47,029 |
| – Defined contribution fund Other staff benefits | | 22,250 115,777 | 18,461 118,759 |
| Employee benefit expense* | | 812,852 | 788,550 |
| Depreciation of property, plant and equipment* Amortisation of service concession arrangements Depreciation of right-of-use assets | 12 13 14(a) | 91,977 771,348 61,029 | 69,700 744,283 56,776 |
| Depreciation and amortisation expenses | | 924,354 | 870,759 |
| Construction costs in respect of: | | | |
| Service concession arrangements* Construction works performed for | | 2,931,715 | 1,348,375 |
| other parties* | | 6,813 | 237,825 |
| Construction costs | | 2,938,528 | 1,586,200 |
| Cost of sales of refined oil and petrochemical products Cost of properties sold Cost of finance lease operation Repairs and maintenance Lease payments not included in the measurement | | 1,245,582 363,539 85,015 188,092 | 1,555,010 20,125 67,736 506,909 |
| of lease liabilities Impairment/(reversal of impairment) of completed | 14(c) | 3,591 | 4,716 |
| Auditor's remuneration Loss on disposal of items of property, plant and | 23 | (3,917) 3,120 | 1,527 3,120 |
| equipment and service concession arrangements Impairment loss on trade receivables | 26(a) | 2,576 50,510 | 32,967 _ |
| Impairment loss/(reversal of impairment) on financial assets included in other receivables | 26(c) | (13,587) | 13,260 |

During the year, employee costs of RMB31,720,000 (2019: RMB37,464,000), and depreciation and amortisation charges of RMB2,572,000 (2019: RMB2,324,000) were included in construction costs.

Directors', chief executive's and supervisors' remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"), section 383(1) (a), (b), (c) and (f) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and Part 2 of the Companies (Disclosure of Information about Benefits of Directors) Regulation, is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Fees | 320 | 320 |
| Other emoluments: Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind | 3,916 | 2,641 |
| Performance related bonus Pension scheme contributions | - - 167 | - 163 |
| Supplementary pension scheme contributions | 223 | 235 |
| | 4,306 | 3,039 |
| | 4,626 | 3,359 |

(a) Independent non-executive directors

The fees paid to independent non-executive directors during the year were as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | | |
| Mr. Gao Jinkang | 80 | 10 |
| Mr. Yan Qixiang | 80 | 10 |
| Madam Bu Danlu | 80 | 10 |
| Mr. Sun Huibi | - | 70 |
| Mr. Guo Yuanxi | - | 70 |
| Mr. Yu Haizong | - | 70 |
| Madam Liu Lina | 80 | 80 |
| | | |
| | 320 | 320 |

There were no other emoluments payable to the independent non-executive directors during the year (2019: Nil).

(b) Executive and non-executive directors

| | Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind <i>RMB'000</i> | Performance related bonus <i>RMB'000</i> | Pension scheme contributions <i>RMB'000</i> | Supplementary pension scheme contributions <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--------------------------|--|---|--|---|-------------------------|
| 2020 | | | | | |
| Executive directors: | | | | | |
| Mr. You Zhiming | 193 | - | 21 | 24 | 238 |
| Mr. He Zhuqing | 329 | - | - | - | 329 |
| Mr. Gan Yongyi* | 685 | - | 26 | 48 | 759 |
| Mr. Li Wenhu | 141 | - | 14 | 11 | 166 |
| Mr. Luo Maoquan | 421 | - | 7 | 12 | 440 |
| Madam Ma Yonghan | 193 | - | 21 | 21 | 235 |
| | 1,962 | - | 89 | 116 | 2,167 |
| Non-executive directors: | | | | | |
| Mr. Li Chengyong | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mr. Yang Guofeng | - | - | - | - | - |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | 1,962 | _ | 89 | 116 | 2,167 |

(b) Executive and non-executive directors (Continued)

| | Salaries, | | | Supplementary | |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|---------|
| | allowances | Performance | Pension | pension | |
| | and benefits | related | scheme | scheme | |
| | in kind | bonus | contributions | contributions | Total |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| 2019 | | | | | |
| 2019 | | | | | |
| Executive directors: | | | | | |
| Mr. Zhou Liming | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mr. He Zhuqing | 188 | - | - | - | 188 |
| Mr. Gan Yongyi* | 614 | - | 36 | 51 | 701 |
| Mr. Luo Maoquan | 449 | - | 36 | 42 | 527 |
| | | | | | |
| | 1,251 | - | 72 | 93 | 1,416 |
| Non-executive directors: | | | | | |
| Mr. Zheng Haijun | - | - | _ | _ | - |
| Mr. Tang Yong | - | - | _ | - | - |
| Mr. Huang Bin | - | - | _ | _ | _ |
| Mr. Wang Shuanming | - | - | _ | - | - |
| Mr. Li Chengyong | - | - | _ | - | - |
| Mr. Li Wenhu | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mr. You Zhiming | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mr. Ni Shilin | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | 1,251 | | 72 | 93 | 1,416 |
| | 1,201 | | 72 | 93 | 1,410 |

* Mr. Gan Yongyi is also the chief executive of the Company.

There was no arrangement under which a director waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (2019: Nil).

(c) Supervisors

| | Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind <i>RMB'000</i> | Performance related bonus <i>RMB'000</i> | Pension scheme contributions <i>RMB'000</i> | Supplementary pension scheme contributions <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|-----------------|--|---|--|---|-------------------------|
| 2020 | | | | | |
| Mr. Feng Bing | 723 | - | 7 | 15 | 745 |
| Mr. Luo Maoquan | 262 | - | 19 | 24 | 305 |
| Mr. Hu Yaosheng | 497 | - | 26 | 34 | 557 |
| Mr. Ling Xiyun | - | - | - | - | - |
| Mr. Wang Yao | - | - | - | - | - |
| Madam Li Tao | 472 | - | 26 | 34 | 532 |
| Madam Gao Ying | - | - | - | - | - |
| | 1,954 | - | 78 | 107 | 2,139 |

| | Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind <i>RMB'000</i> | Performance related bonus <i>RMB'000</i> | Pension scheme contributions <i>RMB'000</i> | Supplementary pension scheme contributions <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--|---|--|---|-------------------------|
| 2019 | | | | | |
| Mr. Feng Bing Mr. Ouyang Huajie Mr. Hu Yaosheng | 614 - 433 | - - | 36 - 36 | 51 - 33 | 701 - 502 |
| Mr. Lin Binhai Mr. Ling Xiyun | 280 _ | - | 11 _ | 51 - | 342 |
| Mr. Wang Yao Madam Li Tao | - 63 | - | - 8 | - 7 | - 78 |
| Mr. Meng Jie | _ | _ | - | | - |
| | 1,390 | - | 91 | 142 | 1,623 |

There was no arrangement under which a supervisor waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year (2019: Nil).

(d) The five highest paid employees during the year included one director (2019: two) and one supervisor (2019: one), details of whose remuneration are set out above. Details of the remuneration for the year of the remaining three (2019: two) highest paid employees who are not a director, chief executive, or supervisor of the Company are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind Performance related bonus Pension scheme contributions | 2,077 _ 190 | 941 _ 155 |
| | 2,267 | 1,096 |

Remuneration of the above non-director, non-chief executive and non-supervisor highest paid employees during the year and the prior year was below HK\$1,000,000.

In addition to the amounts disclosed above, no executive director (2019: one), two non-executive directors (2019: eight) and three supervisors (2019: four) did not receive any remuneration from the Company in 2020. They are respectively the senior executives and directors of STIG, Sichuan Expressway Construction and Development Group Company Limited ("Sichuan Expressway Construction and Development"), which is also controlled by STIG, and China Merchants Expressway Network & Technology Holdings Company Limited, which holds a 21.73% interest in the Company. In the opinion of the directors, it is not practicable to apportion these amounts between their services as directors and supervisors of the Company and their services as senior executives and directors of the above companies.

9. INCOME TAX

No Hong Kong profits tax has been provided as no assessable profits were earned in or derived from Hong Kong during the two years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019.

Except for the companies discussed below that are entitled to a preferential tax rate, the subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures of the Company are required to pay CIT at the standard rate of 25%.

Pursuant to the Circular on Issues Concerning Tax Policies for In-depth Implementation of Western Development Strategies of the State Administration of Taxation, the Ministry of Finance and General Administration of Customs (Cai Shui [2011] No. 58) ("Circular"), the tax preferential treatments for the Western Region Development are valid until 2020. According to the Circular, "from 1 January 2011 to 31 December 2020, corporate income tax may be levied at a reduced tax rate of 15% for enterprises established in the western region and engaged in encouraged industries. The above-mentioned enterprises shall refer to enterprises whose principal businesses are the industrial projects prescribed in the Catalogue of Encouraged Industries in the Western Region (the "Catalogue") approved by the State Council, and the income from which accounts for more than 70% of the total income of such enterprises."

Pursuant to the Circular on Issues Announcement on the Continuation of Cai Shui [2011] No. 58 for Western Development Strategies of the State Administration of Taxation, the Ministry of Finance and National Development and Reform Commission ("Circular [2020] No. 23"), the tax preferential treatments for the Western Region Development are valid until 2030. According to the Circular [2020] No. 23, "from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2030, corporate income tax may be levied at a reduced tax rate of 15% for enterprises established in the western region and engaged in encouraged industries prescribed in the Catalogue if the income which is within the Catalogue accounts for more than 60% of the total income of such enterprises."

For entities within the scope of the transportation industry, i.e., the Company, Chengle Company, Chengbei Company and Chengdu Airport Expressway Company Limited ("Chengdu Airport Expressway"), an associate of the Company, which have been approved to enjoy the preferential tax rate of 15% before 2012 and have not changed their business operations, income tax of these entities for the year ended 31 December 2020 continued to be calculated at a tax rate of 15%.

The major components of tax expense for the year are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Current – Mainland China Charge for the year Underprovision/(overprovision) in prior years Deferred <i>(note 21)</i> | 276,512 1,386 (20,188) | 330,194 (2,128) 2,184 |
| Total tax charge for the year | 257,710 | 330,250 |

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9. INCOME TAX (CONTINUED)

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax at the applicable tax rates for companies within the Group to the tax expense at the Group's effective tax rate, is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| | nivib 000 | |
| Profit before tax | 991,607 | 1,463,539 |
| | | |
| Tax at the applicable tax rates of: | | |
| 25% | 50,541 | 48,088 |
| 15% | 118,416 | 190,678 |
| | | |
| Sub-total | 168,957 | 238,766 |
| Income not subject to tax | (2,053) | (1,785) |
| Expenses not deductible for tax | 16,080 | 3,763 |
| Underprovision/(overprovision) in prior years | 1,386 | (2,128) |
| Profit attributable to associates and joint ventures | 898 | (5,477) |
| Tax losses and deductible temporary differences not | | |
| recognised | 70,241 | 88,484 |
| Tax losses utilised from previous years | (2,845) | - |
| Tax arising from intra-group borrowings | 1,760 | 2,460 |
| Effect of withholding tax at 10% on the dividend income | 1,582 | - |
| Dividend from a non-resident joint venture | 1,522 | 5,406 |
| Others | 182 | 761 |
| | | |
| Tax charge at the Group's effective tax rate | 257,710 | 330,250 |

The share of tax attributable to associates and joint ventures amounting to RMB (73,000) (2019: RMB7,442,000) is included in "Share of profits and losses of joint ventures and associates" on the face of the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

10. DIVIDENDS

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Proposed final – RMB0.080 (2019: RMB0.110) per ordinary share | 244,645 | 336,387 |

The proposed final dividend for the year is subject to the approval of the Company's shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting.

11. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of basic earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company, and the number of ordinary shares of 3,058,060,000 (2019: 3,058,060,000) in issue during the year.

No adjustment has been made to the basic earnings per share amounts presented for the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019 in respect of a dilution as the Group had no potentially dilutive ordinary shares in issue during the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2019.

12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

| Safety equipment <i>RMB'000</i> | Communication and signalling systems <i>RMB'000</i> | Toll collection equipment <i>RMB'000</i> | Buildings <i>RMB'000</i> | Machinery and equipment <i>RMB'000</i> | Motor vehicles <i>RMB'000</i> | Construction in progress <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| 668,469 | 176,846 | 395,774 | 575,868 | 204,897 | 88,760 | 81,400 | 2,192,014 |
| 5,667 | 1,471 | 618 | - | 6,896 | 3,928 | 91,902 | 110,482 |
| (20,153) | (51,738) | (15,553) | (9,021) | (8,125) | (5,537) | (3,654) | (113,781) |
| - | 17,315 | 17,910 | 6,781 | 3,402 | - | (45,408) | - |
| | | | | | | | |
| 653,983 | 143,894 | 398,749 | 573,628 | 207,070 | 87,151 | 124,240 | 2,188,715 |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| 626,266 | 143,581 | 170,389 | 308,698 | 127,505 | 55,496 | - | 1,431,935 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 4,597 | 5,231 | 34,996 | 22,995 | 17,189 | 6,969 | - | 91,977 |
| (19,497) | (50,186) | (15,009) | (1,866) | (7,795) | (4,880) | - | (99,233) |
| | | | | | | | |
| 611,366 | 98,626 | 190,376 | 329,827 | 136,899 | 57,585 | - | 1,424,679 |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| 42,203 | 33,265 | 225,385 | 267,170 | 77,392 | 33,264 | 81,400 | 760,079 |
| | | | | | | | |
| 42,617 | 45,268 | 208,373 | 243,801 | 70,171 | 29,566 | 124,240 | 764,036 |
| | equipment <i>RMB'000</i> 668,469 5,667 (20,153) - 653,983 626,266 4,597 (19,497) 611,366 42,203 | Safety equipment and signalling systems <i>RMB'000 RMB'000</i> 6668,469 176,846 5,667 1,471 (20,153) (51,738) - 17,315 653,983 143,894 626,266 143,581 4,597 5,231 (19,497) (50,186) 611,366 98,626 42,203 33,265 | Safety and signalling equipment collection equipment <i>RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000</i> 668,469 176,846 395,774 5,667 1,471 618 (20,153) (51,738) (15,553) - 17,315 17,910 653,983 143,894 398,749 626,266 143,581 170,389 4,597 5,231 34,996 (19,497) (50,186) (15,009) 611,366 98,626 190,376 42,203 33,265 225,385 | Safety equipment and signalling systems collection equipment Buildings RMB'000 668,469 176,846 395,774 575,868 5,667 1,471 618 - (20,153) (51,738) (15,553) (9,021) - 17,315 17,910 6,781 653,983 143,894 398,749 573,628 626,266 143,581 170,389 308,698 4,597 5,231 34,996 22,995 (19,497) (50,186) (15,009) (1,866) 611,366 98,626 190,376 329,827 42,203 33,265 225,385 267,170 | Safety and signalling equipment collection equipment and equipment <i>equipment RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000</i> 668,469 176,846 395,774 575,868 204,897 5,667 1,471 618 – 6,896 (20,153) (51,738) (15,553) (9,021) (8,125) - 17,315 17,910 6,781 3,402 653,983 143,894 398,749 573,628 207,070 626,266 143,581 170,389 308,698 127,505 4,597 5,231 34,996 22,995 17,189 (19,497) (50,186) (15,009) (1,866) (7,795) 611,366 98,626 190,376 329,827 136,899 42,203 33,265 225,385 267,170 77,392 | Safety and signalling equipment collection equipment and Buildings equipment and webcles <i>RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000 RMB'000</i> 668,469 176,846 395,774 575,868 204,897 88,760 5,667 1,471 618 - 6,896 3,928 (20,153) (51,738) (15,553) (9,021) (8,125) (5,537) - 17,315 17,910 6,781 3,402 - 653,983 143,894 398,749 573,628 207,070 87,151 626,266 143,581 170,389 308,698 127,505 55,496 4,597 5,231 34,996 22,995 17,189 6,969 (19,497) (50,186) (15,009) (1,866) (7,795) (4,880) 611,366 98,626 190,376 329,827 136,899 57,585 42,203 33,265 225,385 267,170 77,392 33,264 <td>Safety and signalling equipment collection systems and equipment Motor systems Construction in progress 668,469 176,846 395,774 575,868 204,897 88,760 81,400 5,667 1,471 618 - 6,896 3,928 91,902 (20,153) (51,738) (15,553) (9,021) (8,125) (5,537) (3,654) - 17,315 17,910 6,781 3,402 - (45,408) 653,983 143,894 398,749 573,628 207,070 87,151 124,240 626,266 143,581 170,389 308,698 127,505 55,496 - 4,597 5,231 34,996 22,995 17,189 6,969 - 611,366 98,626 190,376 329,827 136,899 57,585 - 42,203 33,265 225,385 267,170 77,392 33,264 81,400</td> | Safety and signalling equipment collection systems and equipment Motor systems Construction in progress 668,469 176,846 395,774 575,868 204,897 88,760 81,400 5,667 1,471 618 - 6,896 3,928 91,902 (20,153) (51,738) (15,553) (9,021) (8,125) (5,537) (3,654) - 17,315 17,910 6,781 3,402 - (45,408) 653,983 143,894 398,749 573,628 207,070 87,151 124,240 626,266 143,581 170,389 308,698 127,505 55,496 - 4,597 5,231 34,996 22,995 17,189 6,969 - 611,366 98,626 190,376 329,827 136,899 57,585 - 42,203 33,265 225,385 267,170 77,392 33,264 81,400 |

12. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

| | 0.4. | Communication | Toll | | Machinery | | 0 | |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------------|-----------|
| | Safety | and signalling | collection | B 111 | and | Motor | Construction | т. |
| | equipment | systems | equipment | Buildings | equipment | vehicles | in progress | Tota |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| 31 December 2019 | | | | | | | | |
| Cost: | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2019: | 668,539 | 174,673 | 262,613 | 565,388 | 187,963 | 86,056 | 34,545 | 1,979,77 |
| Additions during the year | 2,192 | 113 | 60,770 | 7,014 | 34,167 | 8,954 | 177,043 | 290,253 |
| Business combination | - | - | - | - | 907 | - | - | 90 |
| Disposals and write-offs | (5,932) | (2,301) | (38,779) | (481) | (18,480) | (6,250) | (6,700) | (78,923 |
| Transfer | 3,670 | 4,361 | 111,170 | 3,947 | 340 | - | (123,488) | |
| At 31 December 2019 | 668,469 | 176,846 | 395,774 | 575,868 | 204,897 | 88,760 | 81,400 | 2,192,014 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| Accumulated depreciation: | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2019 | 626,185 | 141,161 | 179,156 | 288,955 | 128,716 | 53,769 | - | 1,417,94 |
| Provided during the year | | | | | | | | |
| (note 7) | 5,094 | 4,717 | 16,128 | 20,106 | 16,339 | 7,316 | - | 69,70 |
| Disposals and write-offs | (5,013) | (2,297) | (24,895) | (363) | (17,550) | (5,589) | - | (55,70 |
| At 31 December 2019 | 626,266 | 143,581 | 170,389 | 308,698 | 127,505 | 55,496 | _ | 1,431,93 |
| Net carrying amount: | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 January 2019 | 42.354 | 33,512 | 83,457 | 276,433 | 59,247 | 32.287 | 34,545 | 561,83 |
| At Foundary 2010 | 42,004 | 00,012 | 00,407 | 270,400 | 55,247 | 52,207 | 04,040 | 501,053 |
| At 31 December 2019 | 42,203 | 33,265 | 225,385 | 267,170 | 77,392 | 33,264 | 81,400 | 760,079 |

13. SERVICE CONCESSION ARRANGEMENTS

| | 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cost: | | |
| At 1 January | 32,305,863 | 30,950,638 |
| Additions | 3,005,902 | 1,372,940 |
| Disposals | - | (17,715) |
| | | |
| At 31 December | 35,311,765 | 32,305,863 |
| Accumulated amortisation: At 1 January Charged for the year <i>(note 7)</i> Disposals | 6,882,826 771,348 – | 6,140,402 744,283 (1,859) |
| At 31 December | 7,654,174 | 6,882,826 |
| Net carrying amount: At 1 January | 25,423,037 | 24,810,236 |
| At 31 December | 27,657,591 | 25,423,037 |

Notes:

(a) At 31 December 2020, the concession rights pertaining to certain expressways with net carrying amounts listed below were pledged to secure bank loans granted to the Group (note 31(a)):

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Chengle Expressway Chengren Expressway Suiguang Expressway and Suixi Expressway | 5,788,278 6,470,301 11,662,808 | 3,689,688 6,639,158 11,817,261 |
| | 23,921,387 | 22,146,107 |

- (b) During the year, the Group was in the construction of the Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project and Tianqiong Expressway Build-Operate-Transfer ("BOT") Project. Total costs of RMB3,005,902,000 (2019: RMB1,372,940,000) including construction costs of RMB2,931,715,000 and borrowing costs of RMB74,187,000 were incurred, among which RMB2,931,715,000 (2019: RMB1,348,375,000) was sub-contracted to third party subcontractors.
- (c) Construction revenue of RMB2,931,715,000 (2019: RMB1,348,375,000) was mainly recognised in respect of the construction service provided by the Group for the Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project and Tianqiong Expressway BOT Project using the input method during the year. Construction revenue was included in the additions to service concession arrangements which should be amortised upon the Group is granted the rights to charge the users under the service concession arrangements of the abovementioned projects.
- (d) Additions to service concession arrangements during the year included interest capitalised in respect of bank loans amounting to RMB74,187,000 (2019: RMB24,565,000) (note 6).

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14. LEASES

The Group as a lessee

The Group has lease contracts for various items of office buildings and other equipment used in its operations. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire the leased land from the owners with lease periods of 11 to 70 years, and no ongoing payments will be made under the terms of these land leases. Leases of office buildings generally have lease terms between 1 and 5 years. Other equipment generally has lease terms of 12 months or less and/or is individually of low value. Generally, the Group is restricted from assigning and subleasing the leased assets outside the Group.

(a) Right-of-use assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's right-of-use assets and the movements during the year are as follows:

| | Leasehold land <i>RMB′000</i> | Office buildings <i>RMB′000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| As at 1 January 2020 | 428,931 | 29,559 | 458,490 |
| Additions | - | 19,263 | 19,263 |
| Depreciation charge (note 7) | (48,451) | (12,578) | (61,029) |
| As at 31 December 2020 | 380,480 | 36,244 | 416,724 |

(b) Lease liabilities

The carrying amount of lease liabilities (included under interest-bearing bank and other borrowings) and the movements during the year are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--|--|
| Carrying amount at 1 January New leases Accretion of interest recognised during the year Payments | 233,706 17,960 9,870 (58,951) | 156,795 87,887 8,535 (19,511) |
| Carrying amount at 31 December | 202,585 | 233,706 |
| Analysed into: Current portion Non-current portion | 47,026 155,559 | 47,608 186,098 |

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities is disclosed in note 31 to the financial statements.

14. LEASES (CONTINUED)

The Group as a lessee (Continued)

(c) The amounts recognised in profit or loss in relation to leases are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Interest on lease liabilities <i>(note 6)</i> Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets <i>(note 7)</i> Expense relating to short-term leases and other leases with remaining lease terms ended on or before 31 December 2019 | 9,870 61,029 | 8,535 56,776 |
| included in cost of sales (note 7) included in administrative expenses (note 7) | 503 3,088 | 2,126 2,590 |
| Total amount recognised in profit or loss | 74,490 | 70,027 |

(d) The total cash outflow for leases is disclosed in notes 34(c) to the financial statements.

The Group as a lessor

The Group leases its leased properties consisting office buildings and service zones under operating lease arrangements. The terms of the leases generally require the tenants to pay security deposits and provide for periodic rent adjustments according to the then prevailing market conditions. Rental income recognised by the Group during the year was RMB25,004,000 (2019: RMB38,548,000), details of which are included in note 5 to the financial statements.

15. INVESTMENTS IN JOINT VENTURES

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| | | |
| Share of net assets | 137,926 | 135,374 |
| | | |

Particulars of the Group's joint ventures, which were established and operate in Mainland China, as of 31 December 2020 are as follows:

| Name | Percentage of ownership interest | Principal activities |
|---|---|----------------------|
| Sichuan Zhongxin Assets Management Company Limited | 50% (indirect) | Asset management |
| Sichuan Chengyu Development Equity Investment Fund Center | 50% (direct 49.18%, indirect 0.82%) | Asset management |
| Chengdu Chengyujianxin Equity Investment Fund Management Company Limited | 50% (direct) | Asset management |
| Sichuan Communications Network Technology Company Limited | 49% (indirect) | Technology service |

The following table illustrates the aggregate financial information of the Group's joint ventures that are not individually material:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--|---|
| Share of the joint ventures' profit/(loss) for the year Share of the joint ventures' other comprehensive income | 14,110 - | (280) – |
| Share of the joint ventures' total comprehensive income Investment during the year Dividend received during the year Withdrawal during the year Transferred from an investment in an associate <i>(note 16)</i> Aggregate carrying amount of the Group's investments in | 14,110 (10,145) (4,312) 2,899 | (280) 66,750 (36,040) (150,000) – |
| the joint ventures | 137,926 | 135,374 |

Investments in joint ventures are measured using the equity method.

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16. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Share of net assets Provision for impairment | 298,290 (9,163) | 327,590 (9,163) |
| | 289,127 | 318,427 |

Particulars of the associates of the Group, which were established and operate in Mainland China, are as follows:

| Name | Percentage of ownership interest attributable to the Group | Principal activities |
|---|---|--|
| Chengdu Airport Expressway | 25% | Operation of Chengdu Airport Expressway |
| Sichuan Renshou Rural Commercial Bank Co., Ltd. ("Renshou Bank") | 7.474% | Banking operations |

The Group's shareholdings in Chengdu Airport Expressway are held by the Company, except for Chengdu Airport Expressway, the shareholdings in which are held by the subsidiaries of the Company.

Investments in associates are accounted for using the equity method.

16. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATES (CONTINUED)

The following table illustrates the summarised financial information in respect of Chengdu Airport Expressway, which is considered a material associate of the Group, reconciled to the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--|--|
| Current assets | 204,221 | 168,508 |
| Non-current assets Current liabilities | 123,400 (24,808) | 156,293 (17,813) |
| Non-current liabilities | (2,316) | (2,639) |
| | | |
| Net assets | 300,497 | 304,349 |
| Reconciliation to the Group's interest in the associate: Proportion of the Group's ownership Group's share of net assets of the associate Carrying amount of the investment | 25% 75,124 75,124 | 25% 76,087 76,087 |
| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
| Revenue Profit for the year Other comprehensive income Total comprehensive income for the year Dividend received | 111,749 59,139 - 59,139 15,748 | 142,570 79,029 - 79,029 17,532 |

The following table illustrates the aggregate financial information of the Group's associates that are not individually material:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Share of the associates' profit/(loss) for the year Share of the associates' other comprehensive income | (22,156) – | 9,038 - |
| Share of the associates' total comprehensive income Investment during the year Transferred to investments in joint ventures <i>(note 15)</i> Dividend received Dilution of investment in an associate Aggregate carrying amount of the Group's | (22,156) _ (2,899) _ (3,282) | 9,038 73,892 – (1,573) – |
| investments in the associates | 214,003 | 242,340 |

17. EQUITY INVESTMENTS DESIGNATED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| Equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income Listed equity investment, at fair value China | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--|--|
| Everbright Bank | 107,593 | 118,919 |
| Unlisted equity investments, at fair value Sichuan Zhineng Transportation System Management Company Limited Sichuan Trading Landmark Co., Ltd. ("Trading Landmark") Sichuan Trust Co., Ltd. Sichuan Jiaotou Industrial Co., Ltd. Chengdu Chengbei Expressway Gas Station Co., Ltd. Sichuan Transportation Construction Engineering Co.,Ltd. | 4,740 11,350 - 40,080 12,790 | 5,070 14,770 59,260 48,170 8,630 |
| ("TCC") | 105,330 | 117,970 |
| | 174,290 | 253,870 |
| | 281,883 | 372,789 |

The above equity investments were irrevocably designated at fair value through other comprehensive income as the Group considers these investments to be strategic in nature.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Group received dividends in the amount of RMB8,633,000 (2019: RMB6,621,000) (note 5).

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18. LOANS TO CUSTOMERS

The Group's loans to customers represents net investments in fixed assets leased to third party customers under finance lease contracts. The contracts run for initial periods of two years to five years, with options for acquiring the leased assets by the respective lessees at nominal values at the end of the lease period. The total minimum lease receivables and their present values at the year end are as follows:

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| | Net lease receivables <i>RMB′000</i> | Unearned finance income <i>RMB′000</i> | Total gross lease receivables <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--|---|---|
| Amounts receivable: – Within one year – In the second year – In the third to fifth years, inclusive | 1,018,472 863,947 427,158 | 98,392 74,543 15,091 | 1,116,864 938,490 442,249 |
| Total | 2,309,577 | 188,026 | 2,497,603 |
| Portion classified as current assets | (1,018,472) | | |
| Non-current portion | 1,291,105 | | |

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| | Net lease receivables <i>RMB'000</i> | Unearned finance income <i>RMB'000</i> | Total gross lease receivables <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--|---|---|
| Amounts receivable: | | | |
| – Within one year | 935,463 | 102,177 | 1,037,640 |
| In the second year | 691,662 | 62,934 | 754,596 |
| In the third to fifth years, inclusive | 489,110 | 16,729 | 505,839 |
| | | | |
| Total | 2,116,235 | 181,840 | 2,298,075 |
| | | | |
| Portion classified as current assets | (935,463) | | |
| | | | |
| Non-current portion | 1,180,772 | | |

At 31 December 2020, the Group has pledged lease receivables of RMB925,579,000 (2019: RMB863,212,000) to secure bank loans granted to the Group (note 31 (a)). The loans to customers were secured by the collateral provided by the lessees including specific equipment or assets.

Further information about the amounts arising from expected credit losses is included in note 39 to the financial statements.

19. LONG TERM COMPENSATION RECEIVABLES

Pursuant to a compensation agreement dated 29 December 2006 entered into among the Xindu District Finance Bureau and the Communications Bureau (collectively Xindu District Government, "XDG"), Chengdu Municipal Committee of Communication ("CMCC") and Chengbei Company, a subsidiary of the Company, on 30 December 2006, Chengbei Company disposed of the operating rights of Dajian Road to XDG for a compensation of RMB211,802,000.

The compensation is satisfied by cash on the following salient terms:

- (a) An annual instalment of RMB13 million is paid by XDG to Chengbei Company by 30 June of every year for 16 years from 2007 till 2022 and a final instalment of RMB3,802,100 by 30 June 2023;
- (b) CMCC, an authorised representative of the Chengdu Municipal Government responsible for the financing of XDG, has guaranteed the payment in annual instalments. In the event of default in payment, CMCC agrees that it will deduct the default amount from the annual finance funds allocated to XDG and pay it to Chengbei Company directly; and
- (c) Additional compound interest at a rate of 0.021% per day should be levied on the delayed payment.

The compensation can be analysed as follows:

| | | 2020 | | | 2019 | |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| | Compensation <i>RMB'000</i> | Imputed interest <i>RMB'000</i> | Net present value <i>RMB'000</i> | Compensation <i>RMB'000</i> | Imputed interest <i>RMB'000</i> | Net present value <i>RMB'000</i> |
| Receivables: Within one year In the second to fifth years, inclusive | 13,000 16,802 | 3,342 2,449 | 9,658 14,353 | 13,000 29,802 | 4,522 5,792 | 8,478 24,010 |
| | 29,802 | 5,791 | 24,011 | 42,802 | 10,314 | 32,488 |
| Portion classified as current assets (note 26 (b)) | | | (9,658) | | | (8,478) |
| Non-current portion | | | 14,353 | | | 24,010 |

As the compensation is paid by instalments over 17 years, the Group calculated the discounted value of the compensation receivables in future using an imputed rate of interest of 13.92% per annum. The imputed rate of interest adopted reflects risk premium accounted for after considering the credit risk incurred due to the fact that the compensation is paid over 17 years.

20. PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| | | |
| In respect of: | | |
| Purchase of equipment | - | 49,360 |

21. DEFERRED TAX

The movements in deferred tax assets and liabilities during the year are as follows:

Deferred tax assets

| | Deferred income RMB'000 | Others RMB'000 | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| At 1 January 2019 Deferred tax credited/(charged) to profit | 14,120 | 365 | 14,485 |
| or loss during the year (note 9) | (2,408) | (208) | (2,616) |
| At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020 Deferred tax credited to profit or loss | 11,712 | 157 | 11,869 |
| during the year <i>(note 9)</i> | 13,402 | 6,325 | 19,727 |
| At 31 December 2020 | 25,114 | 6,482 | 31,596 |

The Group has tax losses arising in Mainland China of RMB1,855,838,000 (2019: RMB1,648,196,000) that will expire in one to five years for offsetting against future taxable profits. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these losses as they have arisen in subsidiaries that have been loss-making and it is not considered probable that taxable profits will be available against which they can be utilised.

21. DEFERRED TAX (CONTINUED)

Deferred tax liabilities

| | Fair value adjustment arising from equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income <i>RMB'000</i> | Accelerated amortisation for tax purposes RMB'000 | Total RMB'000 |
|---|--|---|-------------------------|
| At 1 January 2019 | 16,676 | 2,258 | 18,934 |
| Deferred tax credited to profit or loss during the year (note 9) | - | (432) | (432) |
| Deferred tax charged to reserves during the year | 2,298 | _ | 2,298 |
| At 31 December 2019 Deferred tax credited to profit or loss | 18,974 | 1,826 | 20,800 |
| during the year (note 9) | - | (461) | (461) |
| Deferred tax credited to reserves during the year | (14,316) | _ | (14,316) |
| At 31 December 2020 | 4,658 | 1,365 | 6,023 |

For presentation purposes, certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset in the consolidated statement of financial position. The following is an analysis of the deferred tax balances of the Group for reporting purposes:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Gross deferred tax assets Gross deferred tax liabilities | 31,596 (582) | 11,869 (11,712) |
| Net deferred tax assets | 31,014 | 157 |
| Gross deferred tax liabilities Gross deferred tax assets | 6,023 (582) | 20,800 (11,712) |
| Net deferred tax liabilities | 5,441 | 9,088 |

21. DEFERRED TAX (CONTINUED)

Withholding Tax ("WHT") for dividends paid to foreign investors

Pursuant to Cai Shui [2008] Circular 1 jointly issued by the Ministry of Finance and the State Administration of Taxation, where the Company declares a dividend in or after 2008 and beyond out of the cumulative retained profits as of 31 December 2007 (i.e., 2007 retained profits), these dividends earned by the foreign shareholders are exempted from WHT; for a dividend which arises from the Company's profit earned after 1 January 2008, WHT is levied on the foreign shareholders. Dividends paid to foreign shareholders are subject to a 10% WHT for the dividend starting from 1 January 2008. The Company has fulfilled the obligation of WHT for dividends related to 2019 which were paid to foreign shareholders before 31 December 2020.

22. INTERESTS IN LAND HELD FOR PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

The Group's interests in land use rights for property development were in respect of prepayments for the rights to use certain pieces of land situated in Mainland China over fixed periods and were held under medium leases. As at 31 December 2020, the legal titles of the land use rights that the Group acquired with a carrying amount of approximately RMB156,303,000 (2019: RMB156,303,000) have not been transferred to the Group and the relevant title transfer is still under application. The directors of the Company do not foresee any major obstacles to complete the title transfer of the legal titles of the above-mentioned land use rights to the Group.

23. PROPERTIES UNDER DEVELOPMENT AND COMPLETED PROPERTIES HELD FOR SALE

| Properties under development | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Land costs Development costs | 1,117,951 469,363 | 1,389,645 629,848 |
| | 1,587,314 | 2,019,493 |
| | 2020 | 2019 |
| Completed properties held for sale | RMB′000 | RMB'000 |
| Completed properties neid for sale | | |
| Carrying amount at 1 January | 154,350 | 176,002 |
| Reversal of provision/(provision) for impairment (note 7) | 3,917 | (1,527) |
| Transfer from properties under development | 1,175,258 | - |
| Transfer to cost of properties sold | (363,539) | (20,125) |
| Carrying amount at 31 December | 969,986 | 154,350 |

The Group's properties under development and completed properties held for sale are situated on leasehold land in Mainland China. As at 31 December 2020, properties under development were expected to be completed or realised within the normal operating cycle. The land use right of properties under development of RMB499,100,000 (31 December 2019: RMB859,600,000) was pledged to secured bank loans granted by Bank of Chengdu (note 31 (a)). Interest capitalised as part of properties under development by the Group during the year was RMB10,441,000 (2019: RMB12,389,000 (note 6)).

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24. INVENTORIES

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Refined oil products Spare parts and construction materials Sandstones | 36,747 3,230 9,012 | 62,126 1,715 - |
| | 48,989 | 63,841 |

25. CONTRACT ASSETS

| | 31 December 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 31 December 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> | 1 January 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contract assets arising from construction services Impairment | 31,000 | 31,000 | 452,369 |
| | 31,000 | 31,000 | 452,369 |

Contract assets are initially recognised for revenue earned from construction services as the receipt of consideration is conditional on successful completion of construction. Upon completion of construction and acceptance by the customer, the amounts recognised as contract assets are reclassified to trade receivables.

There was no allowance for expected credit losses on contract assets recognised as at 31 December 2020 (2019: Nil). The Group's trading terms and credit policy with customers are disclosed in note 26 to the financial statements.

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25. CONTRACT ASSETS (CONTINUED)

The expected timing of recovery or settlement for contract assets as at 31 December 2020 is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Within one year After one year | 21,000 10,000 | 21,000 10,000 |
| Total contract assets | 31,000 | 31,000 |

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure expected credit losses. The provision rates for the measurement of the expected credit losses of the contract assets are based on those of the trade receivables as the contract assets and the trade receivables are from the same customer bases. The provision rates of contract assets are based on days past due of trade receivables for groupings of various customer segments with similar loss patterns (i.e., by geographical region, product type, customer type and rating, and coverage by letters of credit or other forms of credit insurance). The calculation reflects the probability weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

As the Group's contract assets will be recovered from government agencies, the Group believes that they are reliable and of high credit quality and hence, there is no significant credit risk with these receivables. The senior management of the Company keeps reviewing and assessing the creditworthiness of the Group's existing customers on an ongoing basis. No expected credit losses were provided as the directors consider that the expected credit risks of these receivables are minimal.

26. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Trade receivables | | | |
| Trade receivables Impairment | | 1,972,178 (50,510) | 2,188,404 |
| Trade receivables, net Bills receivable | (a) | 1,921,668 35,714 | 2,188,404 25,823 |
| | | 1,957,382 | 2,214,227 |
| Other receivables | | | |
| Deposit and other receivables Impairment | (b) (c) | 517,994 (95,264) | 488,847 (108,851) |
| Prepayments | | 422,730 61,318 | 379,996 86,949 |
| Other receivables, net | | 484,048 | 466,945 |
| Total trade and other receivables | | 2,441,430 | 2,681,172 |

Notes:

The term of commercial factoring contracts ranged from four months to one year since the effective date of the relevant factoring contracts. The Group's credit terms of trade receivables arising from commercial factoring are generally on 30-day basis.

The Group's trade receivables which arose from construction contracts are settled in accordance with the terms specified in the contracts governing the relevant construction works. The Group does not have a standardised and universal credit period granted to its construction contract customers. The credit period of an individual construction contract customer is considered on a case-by-case basis and is set out in the respective construction contracts, as appropriate.

According to the contracts governing the relevant construction works, trade receivables of RMB853,012,000 as at 31 December 2020 (2019: RMB1,054,108,000) are to be settled by instalments within two to three years upon completion of the relevant construction works and bear interest at rates of ranging from 4.75% to 14.98% (2019: 4.75% to 14.98%) per annum. The remaining trade receivables are non-interest-bearing.

⁽a) The Group's trading terms of trade receivables arising from sales of industrial products with its customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. The credit period is generally one month, extending up to three months for major customers.

26. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

Notes: (Continued)

(a) (continued)

An ageing analysis of the trade receivables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date or billing date and net of loss allowance, is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--|---|
| Within 3 months 3 to 6 months 6 to 12 months Over 1 year | 1,048,515 21,555 63,199 788,399 | 1,065,895 37,455 125,115 959,939 |
| | 1,921,668 | 2,188,404 |

The movement in the loss allowance for impairment of trade receivables is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| At beginning of year Impairment losses <i>(note 7)</i> | - 50,510 | - |
| At end of year | 50,510 | - |

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure ECLs. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments with similar loss patterns (i.e., by geographical region, product type, customer type and rating, and coverage by letters of credit or other forms of credit insurance). The calculation reflects the probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions. Generally, trade receivables are written off if past due for more than one year and are not subject to enforcement activity.

As at 31 December 2020, the Group's major receivables are from government agencies, state-owned enterprises and a number of diversified customers. In view of the history of business dealings with the debtors and the sound collection history of the receivables and loans to customers due from them, the Group believes that there is no significant credit risk with these receivables. Management keeps reviewing and assessing the creditworthiness of the Group's existing customers on an ongoing basis based on historical payment records, the length of the overdue period, background and reputation of the debtors, the financial strength of the debtors and whether there are any disputes with the debtors. Except for the loss allowance for impairment of trade receivables mentioned above, no additional ECL was provided as the directors consider that the expected credit risks of these receivables are minimal.

26. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

Notes: (Continued)

(b)

The Group's deposits and other receivables at 31 December 2020 are analysed as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|--|---|
| Interest receivables on temporary advances and construction revenue | 6,038 | 18,714 |
| Long-term compensation receivables to be received within one year (note 19) Toll income receivables Deductible input value-added tax Deposits Miscellaneous | 9,658 167,452 138,321 14,943 181,582 | 8,478 30,845 138,977 13,217 278,616 |
| Impairment allowance | 517,994 (95,264) 422,730 | 488,847 (108,851) 379,996 |

(c) The movements in the loss allowance for impairment of financial assets in prepayments, deposits and other receivables are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--------------------------|------------------------|
| At beginning of year Current year provision for loss allowance <i>(note 7)</i> Reversal of provision for loss allowance <i>(note 7)</i> | 108,851 _ (13,587) | 95,591 13,260 – |
| At end of year | 95,264 | 108,851 |

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date by considering expected credit losses, which are estimated by applying a loss rate approach with reference to the historical loss record of the Group. The loss rate is adjusted to reflect the current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions, as appropriate.

In determining the ECLs for other receivables, the directors of the Company have taken into account the historical default experience and the future prospects of the industries and/or considering various external sources of actual and forecast economic information, as appropriate, in estimating the probability of default of each of the other receivables and other current assets occurring within their respective loss assessment time horizon, as well as the loss upon default in each case. Except for a certain dispute other receivables which had been fully impaired, the Group has assessed and concluded that the risk of default rate for the other instruments was minimal as 31 December 2020 since the counterparties to these instruments have a high credit rating.

(d)

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Amounts due from related parties, which are repayable on credit terms similar to those offered to the independent major customers of the Group, included in trade and other receivables as at the end of the reporting period are as follows

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Fellow subsidiaries under common control of STIG | 0.750 | 0.005 |
| - Other receivables | 8,752 23 | 3,285 1,086 |
| – Prepayments – Trade receivables | 3,000 | - |
| | 11,775 | 4,371 |
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27. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Listed equity investments, at fair value | 494 | 73,933 |

The above equity investments were classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss as they were held for trading.

28. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND PLEDGED DEPOSITS

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Cash and bank balances Time deposits | 3,216,367 15,000 | 2,980,806 15,000 |
| | 3,231,367 | 2,995,806 |
| Less: Pledged time deposits for construction of road projects Restricted deposits | 15,000 36,027 | 15,000 29,102 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 3,180,340 | 2,951,704 |

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Time deposits are made for varying periods of between three months and six months, and earn interest at the respective deposit rates. The bank balances and time deposits are deposited with creditworthy banks with no recent history of default.

At the end of the reporting period, cash and bank balances were denominated in the following currencies:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| RMB Hong Kong dollars | 3,231,236 131 | 2,995,674 132 |
| | 3,231,367 | 2,995,806 |

The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies, however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, 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.

29. CONTRACT LIABILITIES

| RMB'000 RMB'000 RM | D'000 |
|---|-------|
| | 5 000 |
| Advances received from customers | |
| Construction contracts – 26,791 2 | 4,317 |
| Sale of properties 1,569,219 1,411,348 37 | 9,548 |
| | |
| Total contract liabilities 1,569,219 1,438,139 40 | 3,865 |
| | |
| Portion classified as current liabilities (911,363) | |
| | |
| Non-current portion 657,856 | |

Contract liabilities include advances received to deliver properties, and to provide construction and management services.

30. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|-------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Current portion: | | | |
| Trade payables | (a) | 406,030 | 256,165 |
| Other payables | (b) | 2,799,893 | 2,881,340 |
| Accruals | (c) | 57,871 | 59,142 |
| Deferred income | (d) | 306,037 | 129,485 |
| | | | |
| | | 3,569,831 | 3,326,132 |
| | | | |
| Non-current portion | | (272,717) | (96,137) |
| | | | |
| Portion clarified as current liabilities | | 3,297,114 | 3,229,995 |

30. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES (CONTINUED)

Notes:

(a) An ageing analysis of the trade payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Within 3 months 3 to 6 months 6 to 12 months Over 1 year | 344,161 3,293 658 57,918 | 158,833 1,265 - 96,067 |
| | 406,030 | 256,165 |

The trade payables are non-interest-bearing and are normally settled within one to twelve months.

(b) Other payables at the end of the reporting period mainly include the following balances:

| Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Advances | 33,038 | 30,666 |
| Inter-network toll collection (i) | 35,851 | 54,324 |
| Payroll and welfare payables | 239,882 | 233,844 |
| Taxes and surcharge payables | 41,710 | 28,753 |
| Progress billing payables (ii) | 1,513,015 | 1,749,522 |
| Retention payables (iii) | 350,447 | 371,757 |
| Deposits (iii) | 202,950 | 180,547 |
| Others | 383,000 | 231,927 |
| | | |
| | 2,799,893 | 2,881,340 |

Notes:

- (i) The balance represented the expressway tolls pending for allocation to other expressway operators.
- Included in the progress billing payables was an amount of RMB1,183,568,000 (2019: RMB1,214,977,000) relating to the construction of the Suiguang-Suixi Expressways BOT Project and the Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project.
- (iii) Included in retention payables and deposits, RMB285,859,000 (2019: RMB295,585,000) relating to the construction of the Chengren Expressway BOT Project, Suiguang-Suixi Expressways BOT Project and the Chengle Expressway Expansion Construction Project, which include performance guarantee deposits of approximately RMB2,857,000 (2019: RMB3,992,000) received from subcontractors, and bear interest at a fixed rate of 0.35% (31 December 2019: 0.35%) per annum.
- (c) The balance as at 31 December 2020 consisted of interest accrued in respect of medium term notes and interestbearing bank borrowings of RMB47,753,000 (2019: RMB28,485,000) and RMB10,118,000 (2019: RMB30,657,000), respectively.

30. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES (CONTINUED)

Notes: (Continued)

(d) Deferred income as at the end of the reporting period mainly include the following items:

| | 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Leasing income received in advance | 9,931 | 11,034 |
| Management fee received in advance for operation of a bridge | 54,369 | 62,423 |
| Various deferred compensation income received in advance | 26,734 | 50,381 |
| The subsidy funds for demolishing the provincial | | |
| boundary toll station | 94,933 | - |
| Government grants for Suiguang-Suixi Expressways BOT Project | 96,800 | - |
| Longquan gas station demolition subsidy | 15,663 | - |
| Miscellaneous | 7,607 | 5,647 |
| | | |
| | 306,037 | 129,485 |

Deferred income of the Group to be released to profit or loss after twelve months from 31 December 2020 with a total amount of RMB272,717,000 (2019: RMB96,137,000) has been recorded as a non-current liability.

(e) Amounts due to related parties included in trade and other payables as at the end of the reporting period, which are on credit terms similar to those offered by independent major suppliers of the Group, are as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Fellow subsidiaries under common control of STIG | | |
| – Trade payables | 42,483 | 76,599 |
| Other payables | 1,157,417 | 1,065,701 |
| | | |
| | 1,199,900 | 1,142,300 |
| | | |

Except for the performance guarantee deposits and retention payables which have a longer repayment term of approximately two years, other payables are non-interest-bearing and have an average term of three months.

31. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--------------------------------|-------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Bank loans: | | | |
| - Secured | (a) | 13,065,000 | 11,955,993 |
| - Unsecured | | 3,750,000 | 2,060,000 |
| Medium term notes | (b) | 1,290,000 | 2,490,000 |
| Other borrowings, unsecured | (C) | 112,240 | 112,240 |
| Other borrowings, secured | (C) | 140,472 | - |
| Lease liabilities (note 14(b)) | | 202,585 | 233,706 |
| | | | |
| | | 18,560,297 | 16,851,939 |

31. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

| Analysed into: | 31 December 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 31 December 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--|--|
| Bank loans repayable: Within one year In the second year In the third to fifth years, inclusive Beyond five years | 3,407,448 1,036,222 3,836,372 8,534,958 | 2,294,489 1,686,605 2,416,593 7,618,306 |
| | 16,815,000 | 14,015,993 |
| Medium term notes repayable: Within one year In the second year In the third to fifth years, inclusive | 1,000,000 _ 290,000 | 1,200,000 1,000,000 290,000 |
| | 1,290,000 | 2,490,000 |
| Other borrowings and lease liabilities: Within one year In the second year In the third to fifth years, inclusive Beyond five years | 152,756 186,373 43,684 72,484 | 47,314 14,482 200,493 83,657 |
| | 455,297 | 345,946 |
| Total bank and other borrowings and lease liabilities | 18,560,297 | 16,851,939 |
| Portion classified as current liabilities | (4,560,204) | (3,541,803) |
| Non-current portion | 14,000,093 | 13,310,136 |

At the end of the reporting period, all interest-bearing bank and other borrowings of the Group were denominated in RMB.

31. INTEREST-BEARING BANK AND OTHER BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

Notes :

(a) Bank loans were secured by:

| | Notes | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|-------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | | (Bank loar | n amount) |
| Secured by concession rights of: | 13(a) | | |
| Chengle Expressway | | 2,590,000 | 800,000 |
| Chengren Expressway | | 2,101,701 | 2,381,264 |
| Suiguang Expressway and Suixi Expressways | | 7,610,000 | 7,910,000 |
| | | 12,301,701 | 11,091,264 |
| Secured by loans to customers | 18 | 681,299 | 659,729 |
| Secured by land use rights | 23 | 82,000 | 205,000 |
| | | | |
| | | 13,065,000 | 11,955,993 |

The bank loans bear interest at rates of ranging from 3.10% to 6.4% (2019: 3.65% to 6.4%) per annum.

- (b) At 31 December 2020, the Company had two (2019: three) tranches of outstanding medium term notes totalling RMB1,290,000,000 (2019: RMB2,490,000,000) issued to domestic institutional investors participating in the PRC interbank debt market. The effective interest rates for the medium term notes range from 3.56% to 6.30% (2019: 3.56% to 6.30%) per annum. The medium term notes were all issued at a par value of RMB100 per unit, and will be repaid in June 2021 and July 2024, with an original maturity period of five years.
- (c) Other borrowings as at 31 December 2020 represent the unsecured shareholder's loan of RMB112,240,000 (2019: RMB112,240,000) granted to the Group by a non-controlling shareholder (note 36(d)), bearing interest at a rate of 7.80% (2019: 7.80%) per annum.

32. ISSUED CAPITAL

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| Issued and fully paid: | | |
| A Shares of 2,162,740,000 (2019: 2,162,740,000) of RMB1.00 each | 2,162,740 | 2,162,740 |
| H Shares of 895,320,000 (2019: 895,320,000) of RMB1.00 each | 895,320 | 895,320 |
| | | |
| | 3,058,060 | 3,058,060 |

The H Shares have been issued and listed on the main board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange since October 1997 and the A Shares have been listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange since July 2009.

All A and H Shares rank pari passu with each other in terms of dividend and voting rights.

33. RESERVES

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the current and prior years are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity of the financial statements.

(a) Statutory surplus reserve

In accordance with the Company Law of the PRC and the respective articles of association of the Company, its subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates, the Company, its subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates are required to allocate 10% of their profits after tax, as determined in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles of the People's Republic of China ("PRC GAAP"), to the statutory surplus reserve (the "SSR") until this reserve reaches 50% of the registered capital of the Company, its subsidiaries and associates. Subject to certain restrictions set out in the Company Law of the PRC and the respective articles of association of the Company, its subsidiaries and associates, porvided that the remaining balance after the capitalisation is not less than 25% of the registered capital.

(b) Merger difference

The merger difference of the Group is resulted from the preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements. It represents the difference was calculated by the consideration paid for the acquisition of Chengle Company netting off the nominal value of the issued capital of Chengle Company attributable to the then owners of Chengle Company. Prior to the acquisition of Chengle Company, the merger difference represented the nominal value of the issued capital of Chengle Company attributable to the then owners of Chengle Company.

(c) Safety fund reserve

Pursuant to the *Notice regarding Safety Production Expenditure* jointly issued by the Ministry of Finance and the State Administration of Work Safety of the PRC, the Group is required to establish the safety fund surplus reserve based on construction revenue recognised. The safety fund can only be transferred to retained profits to offset safety related expenses as and when they are incurred, including expenses related to safety protection facilities and equipment improvement and maintenance as well as safety production inspection, appraisal, consultation and training.

(d) General risk reserve

Pursuant to the Notice regarding strengthening the Supervision and Management of Commercial factoring Enterprises issued by China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission, the Group is required to establish the general risk reserve based on factoring receivable.

34. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(a) Major non-cash transactions

During the year, The Group had non-cash additions to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities of RMB19,263,000 (2019: RMB24,482,000) and RMB17,960,000 (2019: RMB24,482,000), respectively, in respect of lease arrangements for plant and equipment.

(b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

| | Bank and other borrowings <i>RMB'000</i> | Lease liabilities <i>RMB'000</i> | Interest payable <i>RMB'000</i> | Dividends payable <i>RMB′000</i> |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| At 1 January 2020 | 16,618,233 | 233,706 | 59,142 | 10,485 |
| Changes from financing cash flows | 1,739,479 | (49,081) | (708,940) | (352,563) |
| New leases | - | 17,960 | - | - |
| Interest expenses | - | 9,870 | 623,041 | - |
| Interest paid classified as | | | | |
| operating cash flows | - | (9,870) | - | - |
| Interest capitalised | - | - | 84,628 | - |
| Dividends declared | - | - | - | 371,512 |
| | | | | |
| At 31 December 2020 | 18,357,712 | 202,585 | 57,871 | 29,434 |

2020

34. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (CONTINUED)

(b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities (Continued)

2019

| | Bank | | | |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| | and other | Lease | Interest | Dividends |
| | borrowings | liabilities | payable | payable |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| At 31 December 2018 | 17,557,193 | _ | 57,034 | 14,884 |
| Effect of adoption of HKFRS 16 | - | 156,795 | - | - |
| | | | | |
| At 1 January 2019 (restated) | 17,557,193 | 156,795 | 57,034 | 14,884 |
| | | | | |
| Changes from financing cash flows | (938,960) | 52,429 | (750,695) | (364,874) |
| New leases | - | 24,482 | - | - |
| Interest expenses | - | 7,705 | 715,849 | - |
| Interest capitalised | - | - | 36,954 | - |
| Interest recorded under cost of sales | - | 830 | - | - |
| Interest paid classified as | | | | |
| operating cash flows | - | (8,535) | - | - |
| Dividends declared | - | - | - | 360,475 |
| At 31 December 2019 | 16,618,233 | 233,706 | 59,142 | 10,485 |

(c) Total cash outflow for leases

The total cash outflow for leases included in the statement of cash flows is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Within financing activities | 49,081 | 10,976 |

35. COMMITMENTS

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

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | RMB′000 | RMB'000 |
| | | |
| Contracted, but not provided for: | | |
| Service concession arrangements | 6,075,998 | 3,264,316 |

36. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the transactions and balances detailed elsewhere in the financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with related parties during the year:

- (a) During the year, the aggregate service fee payable to Sichuan Zhineng Transportation System Management Company Limited, a subsidiary under common control of STIG, in relation to the provision of a computer system of the highway toll fee collection networks and the supportive technological services to the Group amounted to RMB12,393,000 (2019: RMB16,081,000). The fee was determined based on a service charge of 0.4% of toll income or RMB25,000,000 per annum, whichever is lower.
- (b) During the year, the Group leased out a certain part of its office buildings to STIG for an annual rental of RMB2,442,000 (2019: RMB2,442,000). The directors consider that the office rental income received by the Group from STIG as determined under the tenancy agreement is based on the market rate for similar premises in similar locations.
- (c) During the year, the Group purchased raw materials, machinery and electronic equipment for various infrastructure construction projects from subsidiaries of STIG at an aggregate amount of RMB760,000 (2019: RMB661,000), based on the market price.
- (d) At 31 December 2020, Renshou Landmark had an outstanding loan due to its non-controlling shareholder, Sichuan Trading Landmark Co., Ltd. ("Trading Landmark"), amounting to RMB112,240,000, which will be repaid in September 2022. This balance is unsecured with an interest rate of 7.80% (2019: 7.80%). During the year, interest expenses recognised by the Group in respect of the loan provided by Trading Landmark totalled RMB8,844,000 (2019: RMB7,463,000).
- (e) During the year, Sichuan Trading Real Estate Co., Ltd. ("Sichuan Trading Real Estate"), a subsidiary under common control of STIG was engaged by the Group to provide sales agent service for the Renshou Landmark real estate project. Sales commission recognised during the year was approximately RMB26,991,000 (2019: RMB17,392,000). The prices of such works are usually determined through public tender and bidding.
- (f) During the year, a subsidiary under common control of STIG was engaged by the Group to provide construction and maintenance works. The prices of such works are usually determined through public tender and bidding. Construction and maintenance costs recognised by the Group for such services amounted to RMB1,359,012,000 (2019: RMB1,824,780,000).

36. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

- (g) During the year, Commercial Factoring Company had provided factoring services to Chengdu Sichuan Transportation Xinrong Construction Engineering Company Limited, the indirect subsidiary of STIG. Interest rates of the factoring services are usually determined through risk assessment, and the revenue recognised by the Group for such services amounted to RMB2,767,000 (2019: RMB301,000).
- (h) During the year, Road and Bridge International CO., LTD, a minority shareholder of a subsidiary of the Group had provided construction for Tianqiong Expressway BOT Project. Construction cost recognised by the Group for such services amounted to RMB16,180,000 (2019: nil). The Directors consider that the amount paid for the construction services from a related company was determined based on prices similarly available to the related party's third-party customers.
- (i) During the year, the Group purchased refined oil products aggregating to approximately RMB806,070,000 (2019: 1,071,365,000) from PetroChina Company Limited Sichuan Sales Branch ("PetroChina Sichuan"), a minority shareholder of a subsidiary of the Group. The prices were determined by adding transportation fee to the selling price of the refined oil.
- (j) During the year, the Group purchased refined oil products aggregating to approximately RMB109,235,000 (2019: nil) from Sinochem Oil Hunan Company Limited, a subsidiary of Sinochem Oil Sales Company Limited, the holding company of a minority shareholder of a subsidiary of the Group. The prices were determined by market price.

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| Fees | 320 | 320 |
| Other emoluments: Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind Performance related bonus Pension scheme contributions | 3,916 _ 167 | 2,641 _ 163 |
| Supplementary pension scheme contributions | 223 | 235 |
| | 4,306 | 3,039 |
| Total compensation paid to key management personnel | 4,626 | 3,359 |

(k) Compensation of key management personnel of the Group:

Further details of directors' emoluments are included in note 8 to the financial statements.

These transactions were carried out in accordance with the terms of agreements governing such transactions.

The related party transactions in respect of items (a), (b), (c), (e), (f) and (i) above also constitute connected transactions or continuing connected transactions as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

37. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments as at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

2020

Financial assets

| | Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss <i>RMB'000</i> | Equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income <i>RMB'000</i> | Financial assets at amortised cost <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
|---|--|--|---|-------------------------|
| Pledged deposits | - | - | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| Long-term compensation receivable | - | - | 24,011 | 24,011 |
| Loans to customers | - | - | 2,309,577 | 2,309,577 |
| Equity investments designated at fair value | | | | |
| through other comprehensive income | - | 281,883 | - | 281,883 |
| Restricted deposits | - | - | 36,027 | 36,027 |
| Trade receivables | - | - | 1,957,382 | 1,957,382 |
| Financial assets included in other | | | | |
| receivables | - | - | 413,072 | 413,072 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit | | | | |
| or loss | 494 | - | - | 494 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | - | - | 3,180,340 | 3,180,340 |
| | | | | |
| | 494 | 281,883 | 7,935,409 | 8,217,786 |

Financial liabilities

| | Financial liabilities at amortised cost <i>RMB′000</i> |
|---|---|
| Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings | 18,560,297 |
| Trade payables | 406,030 |
| Dividend payables | 29,434 |
| Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals | 2,485,263 |
| | |

21,481,024

37. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (CONTINUED)

2019

Financial assets

| | Financial assets at fair value | Equity investments designated at fair value through other | Financial | |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-----------|
| | profit or loss | comprehensive income | assets at amortised cost | Total |
| | <i>RMB'000</i> | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| Pledged deposits Long-term compensation | - | - | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| receivable | - | - | 32,488 | 32,488 |
| Loans to customers | - | - | 2,116,235 | 2,116,235 |
| Equity investments designated at fair value through other | | | | |
| comprehensive income | - | 372,789 | - | 372,789 |
| Restricted deposits | - | - | 29,102 | 29,102 |
| Trade receivables | - | - | 2,214,227 | 2,214,227 |
| Financial assets included in other receivables | - | - | 371,518 | 371,518 |
| Financial assets at fair value | 70.000 | | | 70.000 |
| through profit or loss | 73,933 | - | 2 051 704 | 73,933 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | _ | 2,951,704 | 2,951,704 |
| | 73,933 | 372,789 | 7,730,274 | 8,176,996 |

Financial liabilities

| | Financial liabilities |
|---|-----------------------|
| | at amortised cost |
| | <i>RMB'000</i> |
| | |
| Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings | 16,851,939 |
| Trade payables | 256,165 |
| Dividend payables | 10,485 |
| Financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals | 2,588,077 |
| | |

19,706,666

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

| | Carrying | amounts | Fair v | alues |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| | 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
| Financial assets | | | | |
| Pledged deposits, non-current | | 15 000 | | 15 000 |
| portion Restricted deposits | | 15,000 29,102 | - 36,027 | 15,000 29,102 |
| Long term compensation | | -, - | • | -, - |
| receivables | 14,353 | 24,010 | 14,353 | 24,010 |
| Equity investments designed at fair value through other | | | | |
| comprehensive income | 281,883 | 372,789 | 281,883 | 372,789 |
| Loans to customers, | 1,291,105 | 1,180,772 | 1,291,105 | 1,180,772 |
| non-current portion | 1,291,105 | 1,100,772 | 1,291,105 | 1,100,772 |
| | 1,623,368 | 1,621,673 | 1,623,368 | 1,621,673 |
| | | | | |
| Financial liabilities | | | | |
| Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings (other than lease | | | | |
| liabilities): | | | | |
| – Bank Ioans | 16,815,000 | 14,015,993 | 14,816,717 | 13,520,011 |
| – Medium term notes – Other borrowings | 1,290,000 252,712 | 2,490,000 112,240 | 1,266,725 136,463 | 2,415,135 102,321 |
| | 232,112 | 112,240 | 130,403 | 102,321 |
| | 18,357,712 | 16,618,233 | 16,219,905 | 16,037,467 |

Management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, the current portion of pledged deposits, trade receivables, trade payables, financial assets included in other receivables, financial liabilities included in other payables and accruals approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.

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

The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

The fair values of the non-current portion of the Group's long-term compensation receivable, loans to customers, and 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, adjusted by the Group's or the subsidiaries' own non-performance risk where appropriate.

The fair values of listed equity investment are based on quoted market prices. The fair values of unlisted equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income, have been estimated using a market-based valuation technique based on assumptions that are not supported by observable market prices or rates. The valuation requires the directors to determine comparable public companies (peers) based on industry, size, leverage and strategy, and to calculate an appropriate price multiple, such as enterprise value to earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ("EV/EBITDA") multiple and price to earnings ("P/E") multiple, for each comparable company identified. The multiple is calculated by dividing the enterprise value of the comparable company by an earnings measure. The trading multiple is then discounted for considerations such as illiquidity and size differences between the comparable companies based on company-specific facts and circumstances. The discounted multiple is applied to the corresponding earnings measure of the unlisted equity investments to measure the fair value. The directors believe that the estimated fair values resulting from the valuation technique, which are recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position, and the related changes in fair values, which are recorded in other comprehensive income, are reasonable, and that they were the most appropriate values at the end of the reporting period.

During the year, there were no transfers of fair value measurements between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 for financial assets (2019: Nil).

Set out below is a summary of significant unobservable inputs to the valuation of financial instruments together with a quantitative sensitivity analysis as at 31 December 2020 and 2019:

| | Valuation technique | Significant unobservable input | Range | Sensitivity of fair value to the input |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---|---|--|
| Equity investments | Valuation multiple | Average P/E or P/B multiple of peers | P/E: 8.65-23.04 (2019: P/E:5.81- 23.29) P/B: 1.15-1.28 (2019: P/B: 1.36- 1.91) | 10% (2019: 10%) increase/ decrease in multiple would result in increase/decrease in fair value by RMB17,429,000 (2019: RMB25,387,000) |
| | | Discount for lack of marketability | 20%-30% (2019: 20%-40%) | 10% (2019: 10%) increase/ decrease in discount would result in decrease/increase in fair value by RMB7,241,000/(2019: RMB11,097,000/RMB11,077,000) |
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Fair value hierarchy

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial instruments:

Assets measured at fair value:

| | Fair value measurement using | | | |
|---|--|--|--|-------------------------|
| | Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant observable inputs (Level 2) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
| As at 31 December 2020 | | | | |
| Financial assets Equity investments designed at fair value through other comprehensive income: | | | | |
| Listed equity investments | 107,593 | - | - | 107,593 |
| - Unlisted equity investments | - | - | 174,290 | 174,290 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | - | _ | 494 | 494 |
| | 107,593 | - | 174,784 | 282,377 |

| | Fair valu | ue measurement usi | ng | |
|---|--|--|--|-------------------------|
| | Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant observable inputs (Level 2) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
| As at 31 December 2019 | | | | |
| Financial assets Equity investments designed at fair value through other comprehensive income: | | | | |
| Listed equity investments Unlisted equity investments | 118,919 | - | - 253,870 | 118,919 253,870 |
| Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss | _ | _ | 73,933 | 73,933 |
| | 118,919 | _ | 327,803 | 446,722 |
| | | | | l |

Fair value hierarchy (Continued)

Assets for which fair values are disclosed:

| | Fair value measurement using | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--|--|-------------------------|
| | Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant observable inputs (Level 2) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
| As at 31 December 2020 | | | | |
| Pledged deposits, | | | | |
| non-current portion | - | - | - | - |
| Restricted deposits | - | 36,027 | - | 36,027 |
| Long term compensation | | | | |
| receivables, non-current portion | - | - | 14,353 | 14,353 |
| Loans to customers, | | | | |
| non-current portion | - | - | 1,291,105 | 1,291,105 |
| | | | | |
| | _ | 36,027 | 1,305,458 | 1,341,485 |

| | Fair value measurement using | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
| | Quoted prices | Significant | Significant | |
| | in active | observable | unobservable | |
| | markets | inputs | inputs | |
| | (Level 1) | (Level 2) | (Level 3) | Total |
| | <i>RMB'000</i> | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| | | | | |
| As at 31 December 2019 | | | | |
| Pledged deposits, | | | | |
| non-current portion | - | 15,000 | - | 15,000 |
| Restricted deposits | - | 29,102 | - | 29,102 |
| Long term compensation | | | | |
| receivables, non-current portion | - | - | 24,010 | 24,010 |
| Loans to customers, | | | | |
| non-current portion | _ | _ | 1,180,772 | 1,180,772 |
| | | | | |
| | - | 44,102 | 1,204,782 | 1,248,884 |
| | | | | |

Fair value hierarchy (Continued)

Liabilities for which fair values are disclosed:

| | Fair valu | | | |
|---|--|--|--|-------------------------|
| | Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant observable inputs (Level 2) <i>RMB'000</i> | Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
| As at 31 December 2020 | | | | |
| Financial liabilities: Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings (other than lease | | | 40.040.005 | 40.040.005 |
| liabilities) | - | - | 16,219,905 | 16,219,905 |
| | Fair valu | Je measurement | using | |
| | Quoted prices | Significant | Significant | |
| | in active | observable | unobservable | |
| | markets | inputs | inputs | |
| | (Level 1) | (Level 2) | (Level 3) | Total |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| As at 31 December 2019 | | | | |
| Financial liabilities: Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings (other than lease | | | | |
| liabilities) | - | - | 16,037,467 | 16,037,467 |

39. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group's principal financial instruments comprise interest-bearing bank and other borrowings, and cash and short-term deposits. The main purpose of these financial instruments is to raise finance for the Group's operations. It is the Group's policy that no trading in financial instruments shall be undertaken.

Risk management is carried out by the finance department which is led by the Group's executive directors. The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are interest rate risk, liquidity risk and credit risk. The Board reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

Interest rate risk

The interest rates and terms of repayment of interest-bearing bank and other borrowings are disclosed in note 31. The Group does not have any significant exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates as the Group does not have any long-term receivables and loans which are subject to floating interest rates.

Liquidity risk

The Group monitors its risk to a shortage of funds using a recurring liquidity planning tool. This tool considers the maturity of both its financial instruments and financial assets and projected cash flows from operations.

The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of interest-bearing bank, lease liabilities and other borrowings.

With regard to 2020 and thereafter, the liquidity of the Group is primarily dependent on its ability to maintain adequate cash flows from operations to meet its debt obligations as they fall due.

The maturity profile of the Group's financial liabilities as at the end of the reporting period, based on the contractual undiscounted payments, is as follows:

| | 2020 | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| | On demand <i>RMB'000</i> | Less than 3 months <i>RMB'000</i> | 3 to 12 months <i>RMB'000</i> | 1 to 5 years <i>RMB′000</i> | Over 5 years <i>RMB′000</i> | Total <i>RMB′000</i> | |
| Lease liabilities Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings | - | 6,945 | 40,081 | 83,074 | 72,485 | 202,585 | |
| (excluding lease liabilities) | - | 1,760,173 | 3,532,605 | 7,501,478 | 12,444,911 | 25,239,167 | |
| Dividend payables Trade and other | 29,434 | - | - | - | - | 29,434 | |
| payables | 1,216,893 | 547,204 | 1,127,196 | - | - | 2,891,293 | |
| | 1,246,327 | 2,314,322 | 4,699,882 | 7,584,552 | 12,517,396 | 28,362,479 | |

Liquidity risk (Continued)

| | 2019 | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | On demand <i>RMB'000</i> | Less than 3 months <i>RMB'000</i> | 3 to 12 months <i>RMB'000</i> | 1 to 5 years <i>RMB'000</i> | Over 5 years <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
| Lease liabilities Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings (excluding | - | 12,633 | 34,682 | 102,734 | 83,657 | 233,706 |
| lease liabilities) | - | 776,508 | 3,499,185 | 7,574,819 | 8,765,964 | 20,616,476 |
| Dividend payables | 10,485 | - | - | - | - | 10,485 |
| Trade and other | | | | | | |
| payables | 1,155,362 | 338,805 | 1,350,075 | - | - | 2,844,242 |
| | | | | | | |
| | 1,165,847 | 1,127,946 | 4,883,942 | 7,677,553 | 8,849,621 | 23,704,909 |

Credit risk

The long-term compensation receivables from XDG and loans to customers do not expose the Group to any additional credit risk as (i) the credit risk associated has been factored in the imputed interest rate used for discounting the value of the compensation receivables and loans to customers in future to their carrying amounts; (ii) the Group holds collateral over the loans to customers in the form of a sale-leaseback principal of a finance lease. In the event of any material default on interest payment terms, the Group is contractually entitled to enforce the security rights over any collateral and dispose of the assets underlying the leases to realise their value. As the Group's major customers in the construction contracts segment are the PRC government agencies and other state-owned enterprises, the Group believes that they are reliable and of high credit quality and hence, there is no significant credit risk with these customers. The credit risk of the Group's other financial assets, which comprise cash and bank balances and other receivables, arises from default of the counterparty, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts of these instruments.

Credit risk (Continued)

Maximum exposure and year-end staging

The tables below show the credit quality and the maximum exposure to credit risk based on the Group's credit policy, which is mainly based on past due information unless other information is available without undue cost or effort, and year-end staging classification as at 31 December. The amounts presented are gross carrying amounts for financial assets and the exposure to credit risk.

As at 31 December 2020

| | 12-month ECLs | I | _ifetime ECLs | | |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| | Stage 1 <i>RMB'000</i> | Stage 2 <i>RMB'000</i> | Stage 3 <i>RMB'000</i> | Simplified approach <i>RMB'000</i> | Total <i>RMB'000</i> |
| Contract assets Trade receivables Financial assets included in other receivables | _ 1,793,721 | _ 153,000 | - | 31,000 25,457 | 31,000 1,972,178 |
| – Normal* – Doubtful* Pledged deposits | 413,072 - | - | _ 95,264 | - - | 413,072 95,264 |
| Not yet past due Loans to customers Normal* | 15,000 - 2,177,443 | - - - | - - - | - - - | 15,000 - 2,177,443 |
| Doubtful* Restricted deposits Not yet past due | 132,134 36,027 | - | - | - | 132,134 36,027 |
| Cash and cash equivalents – Not yet past due | 3,180,340 | | _ | _ | 3,180,340 |
| | 7,747,737 | 153,000 | 95,264 | 56,457 | 8,052,458 |

Credit risk (Continued)

Maximum exposure and year-end staging (Continued)

As at 31 December 2019

| | 12-month ECLs | l | _ifetime ECLs | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------------|------------|-----------|
| | | | | Simplified | |
| | Stage 1 | Stage 2 | Stage 3 | approach | Total |
| | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 | RMB'000 |
| Contract assets | _ | _ | _ | 31,000 | 31,000 |
| Trade receivables | _ | _ | _ | 2,188,404 | 2,188,404 |
| Financial assets included in other | | | | 2,100,404 | 2,100,404 |
| receivables | | | | | |
| – Normal* | 371,518 | _ | _ | _ | 371,518 |
| – Doubtful* | - | _ | 108,851 | - | 108,851 |
| Pledged deposits | | | | | |
| – Not yet past due | 15,000 | - | - | - | 15,000 |
| Loans to customers | - | - | - | - | - |
| – Normal* | 2,116,235 | _ | - | - | 2,116,235 |
| – Doubtful* | - | - | - | - | - |
| Restricted deposits | | | | | |
| – Not yet past due | 29,102 | - | - | - | 29,102 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | | | | | |
| – Not yet past due | 2,951,782 | _ | - | - | 2,951,782 |
| | | | | | |
| | 5,483,637 | _ | 108,851 | 2,219,404 | 7,811,892 |

The credit quality of loans to customers and the financial assets included in other receivables is considered to be "normal" when they are not past due and there is no information indicating that the loans to customers and financial assets had a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. Otherwise, the credit quality of loans to customers and the financial assets is considered to be "doubtful".

Capital management

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to ensure that it maintains a strong credit rating and healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholders' value.

The Group manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it in light of changes in economic conditions. To maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend payment to shareholders, return capital to shareholders or issue new shares. No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes for managing capital during the years ended 31 December 2020 and 31 December 2019.

The Group monitors capital using a gearing ratio, which is the Group's total liabilities over its total assets. The Group's policy is to keep the gearing ratio at a healthy capital level in order to support its businesses. The Group's gearing ratio as at 31 December 2020 was 59.08% (2019: 57.33%).

Foreign currency risk

The Group's businesses are located in the Mainland China and all transactions are conducted in RMB. Most of the Group's assets and liabilities are denominated in RMB, except for certain items of cash and cash equivalents that are denominated in HK\$.

The Group does not consider that it has any significant exposure to the risk of fluctuation in the exchange rate between HK\$ and RMB as a reasonable possible change of 5% in RMB against HK\$ would have no significant financial impact on the Group's profit.

40. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 31 December 2020, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities.

41. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

Information about the statement of financial position of the Company at the end of the reporting period is as follows:

| | 2020 <i>RMB′000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|---|---|
| NON-CURRENT ASSETS Property, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets Service concession arrangements Investments in subsidiaries Investment in a joint venture Investments in associates | 417,861 242,136 9,229,270 8,587,867 132,438 38,438 | 469,152 268,639 9,743,289 7,652,384 136,750 38,438 |
| Equity investments designed at fair value through other comprehensive income Contract assets Restricted deposits Deferred tax assets | 203,526 10,000 _ 26,604 | 291,723 10,000 39 - |
| Total non-current assets | 18,888,140 | 18,610,414 |
| CURRENT ASSETS Inventories Trade and other receivables Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Due from subsidiaries Cash and cash equivalents | 197 136,323 - 5,272,421 2,381,315 | 197 38,410 73,346 4,530,214 2,290,642 |
| Total current assets | 7,790,256 | 6,932,809 |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES Tax payable Other payables and accruals Contract liabilities Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings Due to subsidiaries | 64,205 715,807 15,745 3,652,464 2,336,169 | 17,630 851,180 36,358 2,946,706 1,791,767 |
| Total current liabilities | 6,784,390 | 5,643,641 |
| NET CURRENT ASSETS | 1,005,866 | 1,289,168 |
| TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | 19,894,006 | 19,899,582 |

41. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (CONTINUED)

| | 2020 <i>RMB'000</i> | 2019 <i>RMB'000</i> |
|--|------------------------|------------------------|
| NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES | | |
| Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings | 3,561,704 | 4,059,905 |
| Deferred tax liabilities | - | 668 |
| Deferred income | 138,918 | 94,377 |
| | | |
| Total non-current liabilities | 3,700,622 | 4,154,950 |
| | | |
| Net assets | 16,193,384 | 15,744,632 |
| | | |
| EQUITY | | |
| Issued capital | 3,058,060 | 3,058,060 |
| Reserves | 13,135,324 | 12,686,572 |
| | | |
| Total equity | 16,193,384 | 15,744,632 |

41. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (CONTINUED)

Note:

A summary of the Company's reserves is as follows:

| | Share premium account RMB'000 | Statutory surplus reserve RMB'000 | Retained profits RMB'000 | Fair value reserve of equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income <i>RMB'000</i> | Difference arising from the acquisition of non-controlling interests RMB'000 | Total RMB'000 |
|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|---------------------------|
| At 1 January 2019 Total comprehensive income/(loss) | 2,654,601 | 4,553,007 | 4,770,980 | 72,305 | (244,529) | 11,806,364 |
| for the year | - | - | 1,188,168 | (2,154) | - | 1,186,014 |
| Transfer to/(from) reserve | - | 459,937 | (459,937) | - | - | - |
| Final 2018 dividend paid | - | - | (305,806) | - | - | (305,806) |
| At 31 December 2019 and 1 January 2020 | 2,654,601 | 5,012,944 | 5,193,405 | 70,151 | (244,529) | 12,686,572 |
| Profit for the year Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year: Changes in fair value of equity investments through other | - | - | 860,106 | - | - | 860,106 |
| comprehensive income, net of tax | - | - | - | (74,967) | - | (74,967) |
| Total comprehensive income for the year Transfer to/(from) reserve Final dividend proposed | - - - | _ 345,028 _ | 860,106 (345,028) (336,387) | (74,967) _ _ | - - - | 785,139 _ (336,387) |
| At 31 December 2020 | 2,654,601 | 5,357,972 | 5,372,096 | (4,816) | (244,529) | 13,135,324 |

According to the relevant regulations in the PRC, the amount of reserves available for distribution is the lower of the amount determined under PRC GAAP and the amount determined under HK GAAP.

42. APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board on 30 March 2021.