



Black Sesame International Holding Limited 黑芝麻智能國際控股有限公司*

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2025 INTERIM REPORT



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KEY HIGHLIGHTS

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Six months ended June 30,					
	2025 (Unaudited)		2024 (Unaudited)		Period- over-period change
		% of		% of	
	Amount	revenue	Amount	revenue	%
(RMB in thousands, except for percentages)					
Revenue	252,882	100.0	180,139	100.0	40.4
Gross profit	62,697	24.8	90,075	50.0	(30.4)
(Loss)/profit for the period	(762,364)	(301.5)	1,104,767	613.3	(169.0)
Non-IFRS Measures:					
Adjusted net loss	(548,709)	(217.0)	(602,301)	(334.4)	(8.9)

BUSINESS REVIEW AND PROSPECTS

In the first half of 2025, the Company continued to deepen collaborations with leading customers including Geely, BYD, Dongfeng and FAW Group, and secured new designated projects of both domestic and international vehicle models for additional customers, while advancing continuous delivery and engineering R&D for related driving assistance platforms. The amount and variety of overseas designated vehicle models reached a record high in the Company's history, establishing a solid foundation for overseas deployment and sales. Additionally, leveraging its existing driving assistance chip and solution platforms, the Company has started cross-scenario technology and business transfer and achieved significant progress in fields such as robotics and unmanned logistics vehicles. Consequently, the Company has further diversified its business layout beyond its core driving assistance business.

In the first half of 2025, with rapid business expansion and increased scale of mass production and delivery, the Company achieved notable accomplishments in both commercialization progress and financial performance, and recorded operating revenue of RMB253 million for the Reporting Period, representing an increase of 40.4% compared to the corresponding period in 2024.

Commercialization

Mass Production Validation and Delivery of Driving Assistance Solutions

In the first half of 2025, the Company's Advanced Driving Assistance System (ADAS) chips continued to achieve mass production and delivery. Driving assistance solutions based on the A1000 series chips were mass-produced and shipped for models including Geely Galaxy E8, Xingyao 8, Dongfeng en 007 (new variant), Dongfeng en 008, and multiple models from other leading vehicle manufacturers. This has resulted in more mature mass production experience, laying a foundation for the capabilities of upgrading driving assistance solutions. Meanwhile, the Company achieved significant progress in securing designated projects during the first half of 2025, further diversifying its portfolio of designated vehicle models. In addition to new domestic designations, multiple designated projects targeting overseas markets from multiple customers were added. Moreover, the Company's self-developed driving assistance functionality has been advanced to deliver continuous and seamless point-to-point (P2P) navigation-assisted driving, spanning across most common road types, including highways, intercity routes, and urban areas.

The commercialization process of the driving assistance solutions based on the C1200 series chips has advanced steadily. Collaborating with ecosystem partners, the Company has developed highway Navigate on Autopilot (NoA), urban memory navigation, and memory parking functions, which have completed testing and validation in multiple cities and are poised for mass production and deployment in projects for several leading new energy vehicle customers. Additionally, in the first half of 2025, the Company launched the secure intelligence base architecture (安全智能底座架構) built on the C1200 series chips. This architecture further ensures basic safety functions while delivering flexible computing power expansion capabilities and support for modular upgrade, comprehensively covering intelligent needs from entry-level to flagship vehicle models. It is currently undergoing validation at original equipment manufacturers (OEMs).

The driving assistance solutions based on the A2000 series chips are currently under the validation of development plans, which are capable of providing comprehensive support for full-scenario urban NoA applications and scalable to L3 and L4 scenarios. The solutions incorporate Transformer-based large model algorithms, encompassing VLA and end-to-end driving functions, with the Company's self-developed mature toolchain and algorithms. Concurrently, we are closely collaborating with leading algorithm partners to jointly advance algorithm development and optimization, as well as working with Tier 1 suppliers to jointly build and validate the solutions. Our objective is to secure collaborations of designated projects and mass production with leading automaker customers within this year, promoting the implementation and business expansion of high-computing-power intelligent driving chips, and open and leading algorithm solutions.

Commercial Expansion

In terms of robotics, the Company is developing a robotics “cerebellum” solution based on its C1200 series chips to enable motor control functions for robots, and an embodied intelligence “cerebrum” solution leveraging A2000 series chips for perception and computation capabilities in intelligent robots. Currently, the Company has established strategic collaborations with leading legged robot enterprises while co-developing multimodal perception computing modules for high-dynamic environments through equity investments in robotics firms, thereby driving the expansion of the ecosystem and business for its chips and embodied intelligence solutions.

In terms of unmanned logistics vehicles, the Company has collaborated with ecosystem partners to develop an L4 intelligent driving system based on its chips and self-developed integrated laser-vision sensors. This system implements multimodal end-to-end large models to enable low-speed L4 capabilities in enclosed scenarios such as ports and industrial parks, with ongoing shipments currently underway. The Company’s commercially implemented scenarios have been further diversified.

In terms of intelligent imaging solutions, while strengthening relationships with existing customers, the Company has expanded its client base by incorporating industry-leading algorithms such as AI Depth and Portrait Dynamic Fusion into its products. Simultaneously, intelligent imaging solutions initially deployed in 2024 for products in emerging forms, including AI smart glasses, have achieved commercialization with several customers, which has entered the business ecosystem of this critical emerging artificial intelligence (“AI”) platform.

R&D Initiatives

The Company maintains an open business model while remaining committed to providing customers with full-stack solutions. In offering bundled hardware-software solutions, it simultaneously supports an open ecosystem and decoupling, thereby offering greater flexibility in business models for customers.

In terms of algorithm, the Company continues to optimize its core perception architecture – the Bird’s Eye View (“BEV”) model – and enhance End-to-End (E2E) algorithm performance, significantly improving the precision, efficiency, and generalization capabilities of environmental perception (enabling faster adaptation to new cities and roads while reducing reliance on maps). The BEV architecture efficiently fuses multimodal sensor data, minimizes latency from multi-step processing in traditional algorithm frameworks, and boosts the operational speed, real-time responsiveness and recognition capabilities for complex intersections, non-standard vehicles, special obstacles and occluded scenarios.

In terms of core IP development, the Company has optimized toolchains for its latest AMCAX Neural Processing Unit (“NPU”) architecture to ensure consistent training-inference precision and hardware output stability, establishing a hybrid training solution adaptable to the diversification trend of AI hardware. Moreover, our team conducted in-depth analysis of operational efficiency for end-to-end models and large language models on multi-tier simulation platforms, tracking cutting-edge technological advancements, to develop more flexible and efficient NPU architectures. This enhances the computational throughput and processing efficiency of the NPUs, providing more reliable and extensible hardware support for AI applications.

The full-stack solution R&D approach not only drives continuous technological innovation but also reflects the Company’s commitment to maintaining an open business model, offering a flexible and open chip hardware platform alongside a comprehensive toolchain. By optimizing toolchain compatibility, the Company can support the rapid integration and deployment of diverse algorithm solutions. This ensures that customers can flexibly select the most appropriate technical pathways across different application scenarios, thereby further enhancing the extensibility and market competitiveness of the overall solutions.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

In the second half of 2025, the Company will continue sustained deliveries of driving assistance solutions to leading customers while actively developing new strategic clients. While consolidating mass production of driving assistance solutions in China, the Company has secured designated projects for overseas vehicle models from leading customers. Multiple models equipped with its chip-based driving assistance solutions are expected to commence overseas sales in the second half of 2025, with initial shipments having already commenced. The Company is gradually expanding its business scale through the expansion of its overseas presence. Simultaneously, we anticipate securing additional designated projects for new models from leading automakers and achieving mass production in the second half of 2025.

The Company will sustain mass production in commercial vehicles, unmanned logistics vehicles and other fields, developing scenario-specific solutions for leading customers, thereby further diversifying its commercialization scenarios. The Company has essentially established in-depth cooperative development and mass production partnerships with most leading commercial vehicle customers and solution providers, covering multiple scenarios including light-duty trucks, heavy-duty trucks, and route-specific unmanned vehicles. The Company is also broadening its business development channels by engaging strategic customers for resource integration, thereby further enhancing its market share.

The Company will focus on optimizing the performance of algorithms such as Transformer and BEV in extreme urban scenarios, while continuously enhancing end-to-end model capabilities via large-scale data training and reinforced learning, to achieve navigation capability across complex urban road conditions, and pave the way for the smooth mass production and delivery of driving assistance solutions based on the A2000 series chips.

The Company has begun enhancing its chip and solution deployments in the pan-robotics field. Through deep collaborations with leading robotics enterprises, it is actively deploying product solutions such as chips and algorithms across multiple scenarios including humanoid robots, robot dog, legged robots, and robotic lawn mowers. Simultaneously, the Company is expanding into diverse robotics applications through capital operations such as equity investments. Solutions adapted for the Company's chips are currently in the development stage, with business breakthroughs and expansion underway in both domestic and international markets.

The Company plans to actively advance the acquisition of a cost-effective, low-power AI chip enterprise, aiming to achieve deep synergies between the target's products and solutions and the Company's existing mid-to-high computing power chip platforms. By leveraging its accumulated strengths in driving assistance algorithms over the years, the Company ultimately intends to deliver a broader range of robotic and on-device applications to the market, offering full-scenario AI inference chip products and solutions, thereby establishing leadership in the on-device AI chip field. The AI chip solutions co-developed by the Company and the acquisition target – spanning vehicle, robotics, and new consumer segments – are expected to achieve comprehensive coverage of AI scenarios, laying a solid foundation for the Company's future commercial scale expansion.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The following table sets forth the comparative figures for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue	252,882	180,139
Cost of sales	(190,185)	(90,064)
Gross profit	62,697	90,075
Selling expenses	(51,510)	(51,152)
General and administrative expenses	(170,106)	(182,529)
Research and development expenses	(618,130)	(687,330)
Net impairment losses on financial assets	(11,445)	(13,979)
Other income	7,397	8,162
Other gains/(losses) – net	9,803	(3,347)
Operating loss	(771,294)	(840,100)
Finance income	27,439	19,018
Finance costs	(17,099)	(3,350)
Finance income, net	10,340	15,668
Share of net loss of associates accounted for using the equity method	(1,410)	(2,593)
Fair value change in financial instruments issued to investors	–	1,931,792
(Loss)/profit before income tax	(762,364)	1,104,767
Income tax expense	–	–
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to the equity holders of the Company	(762,364)	1,104,767
Non-IFRS Measures		
Adjusted net loss	(548,709)	(602,301)

Revenue

Our revenue increased by 40.4% from RMB180.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB252.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily attributable to the increase in the sales of driving assistance products and solutions.

Driving Assistance Products and Solutions

Our revenue from assisted driving products and solutions increased by 41.6% from RMB167.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB236.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily attributable to (i) an increase in the sale of driving assistance chips and solutions along with the raise in mass-produced vehicle models; (ii) our enhanced market penetration of driving assistance solutions in the field of commercial vehicles; and (iii) our strengthened marketing capabilities which resulted in more customers with large operating scale.

Intelligent Imaging Solutions

Our revenue from intelligent imaging solutions increased by 25.1% from RMB12.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB16.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily because we attracted more new customers as a result of the market recognition received by our intelligent imaging solutions.

Cost of Sales

Our cost of sales increased by 111.2% from RMB90.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB190.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily due to the increase in the cost of sales for driving assistance products and solutions.

Driving Assistance Products and Solutions

The cost of sales for driving assistance products and solutions increased by 112.1% from RMB88.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB187.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily representing the increase in the costs relating to hardware components and labour costs.

Intelligent Imaging Solutions

The cost of sales for intelligent imaging solutions increased by 64.0% from RMB1.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB2.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, which was generally in line with the increase in revenue from intelligent imaging solutions.

Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

As a result of the foregoing, our overall gross profit decreased by 30.4% from RMB90.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB62.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025. Our gross profit margin for driving assistance products and solutions decreased from 47.2% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to 20.9% for the six months ended June 30, 2025, as the expansion of the application scenarios of our driving assistance products and solutions resulted in an increase in costs relating to hardware components and labour costs. Our gross profit margin for intelligent imaging solutions business remained relatively stable at 86.6% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 82.4% for the six months ended June 30, 2025. As a result of the foregoing, our overall gross profit margin decreased from 50.0% for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to 24.8% for the six months ended June 30, 2025.

Research and Development Expenses

Our research and development expenses decreased by 10.1% from RMB687.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB618.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily because of our enhanced efficiency in research and development activities which resulted in a decrease in staff costs.

Selling Expenses

Our selling expenses remained relatively stable at RMB51.2 million and RMB51.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2025, respectively.

General and Administrative Expenses

Our general and administrative expenses decreased by 6.8% from RMB182.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB170.1 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily due to a decrease in our Listing expenses.

Net Impairment Losses on Financial Assets

Our net impairment losses on financial assets amounted to RMB14.0 million and RMB11.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2025, respectively.

Other Income

Our other income remained relatively stable at RMB8.2 million and RMB7.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 and 2025, respectively.

Other Gains/(Losses) – Net

We recorded other losses of RMB3.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024, while we had other gains of RMB9.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily attributable to an increase in the foreign exchange gains due to fluctuations in exchange rate and gains on debt restructuring.

Finance Income – Net

Our finance income decreased by 34.0% from RMB15.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 to RMB10.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily due to an increase in interest expenses on bank borrowings.

Fair Value Change in Financial Instruments Issued to Investors

We recorded fair value gain of RMB1,931.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024, while we did not have fair value change in financial instruments issued to investors for the six months ended June 30, 2025, primarily due to the conversion of our preferred shares into ordinary shares upon the Listing.

Loss for the Period

As a result of the foregoing, we recorded net profit of RMB1,104.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2024 while we had net loss of RMB762.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2025.

Non-IFRS Measure

To supplement our consolidated financial statements, which are presented in accordance with IFRS, we also use adjusted net loss (non-IFRS measure) as an additional financial measure, which is not required by, or presented in accordance with, IFRS. We believe this non-IFRS measure facilitates comparisons of operating performance from period to period and company to company by eliminating potential impacts of certain items.

We believe adjusted net loss (non-IFRS measure) provides useful information to investors and others in understanding and evaluating our consolidated results of operations in the same manner as they help our management. However, our presentation of adjusted net loss (non-IFRS measure) may not be comparable to similarly titled measures presented by other companies. The use of this non-IFRS measure has limitations as an analytical tool, and should not be considered in isolation from, or as a substitute for an analysis of, our results of operations or financial condition as reported under IFRS.

The following tables reconcile our adjusted net loss for the periods presented to the most directly comparable financial measures calculated and presented in accordance with IFRS, which are net (loss)/profit for the period:

	Six Months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Reconciliation of net (loss)/profit to adjusted net loss (non-IFRS measure):		
(Loss)/profit for the period	(762,364)	1,104,767
Add:		
Fair value change in financial instruments issued to investors	–	(1,931,792)
Share-based compensation expenses	213,655	224,724
Adjusted net loss for the period (non-IFRS measure)	(548,709)	(602,301)

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

We have historically funded our cash requirements principally from capital contribution from Shareholders. We had cash and cash equivalents and current financial assets at fair value through profit or loss of RMB2,105.1 million as of June 30, 2025, compared to the balance of RMB1,622.9 million as of December 31, 2024.

The following table sets forth a summary of our cash flows for the periods indicated:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Net cash used in operating activities	(538,176)	(559,149)
Net cash used in investing activities	(44,482)	(30,250)
Net cash generated from financing activities	1,105,390	205,175
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	522,732	(384,224)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	1,448,106	1,298,412
Effects of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	(4,346)	5,769
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	1,966,492	919,957

Indebtedness

Our indebtedness mainly includes borrowings, financial instruments issued to investors and lease liabilities. The following table sets forth a breakdown of our borrowings, financial instruments issued to investors and lease liabilities as of the dates indicated:

	As of June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As of December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Borrowings	637,483	674,212
Lease liabilities	41,698	48,187
Amounts due to a related party	65	213
Total	679,246	722,612

We maintain a prudent approach in our treasury management with interest rate exposure maintained principally on a floating rate basis. We did not use any interest rate swap contracts or other financial instruments to hedge against our interest rate risk. We will continue to monitor interest rate risk exposure and will consider hedging significant interest rate risk exposure should the need arises.

Exposure to Exchange Rate Fluctuation

Foreign exchange risk arises from future commercial transactions and recognized assets and liabilities denominated in a currency that is not the functional currency of the relevant group entity. The Group's businesses are principally conducted in RMB. The majority of non-RMB assets and liabilities are cash and cash equivalents denominated in USD.

We are primarily exposed to changes in RMB/USD exchange rates in our domestic subsidiaries whose functional currency is RMB. We currently do not engage in hedging activities designed or intended to manage foreign exchange rate risk. However, we will continue to monitor changes in currency exchange rates and will take necessary measures to mitigate exchange rate impact.

Employees, Training and Remuneration Policies

As of June 30, 2025, the Group had 1,000 employees. The number of employees employed by the Group varies from time to time depending on needs.

Our success depends on our ability to attract, retain and motivate qualified personnel. The remuneration package for our employees generally includes salary, bonuses and equity incentives. We have a unified salary management system and employee internal transfer management methods to ensure the fairness of salary and promotion, and the salary and promotion decisions stipulated in the system are based on the employee's position and performance. In addition to salary, employees also receive welfare benefits, including medical insurance, retirement benefits, occupational injury insurance and other miscellaneous items. We make contributions to mandatory social security funds for our employees to provide for retirement, medical, work-related injury, maternity and unemployment benefits. We also invest in continuing education and training programs to upskill our key management and technical staff.

The Company has also adopted a pre-IPO share plan on September 7, 2016 and amended on December 31, 2021 and a post-IPO share plan on July 26, 2024 to provide incentives for the eligible participants. For details, please refer to the section headed "Statutory and General Information – D. Share Incentive Schemes" in Appendix IV to the Prospectus.

The Board regularly reviews and determines the remuneration and compensation packages of the Directors and senior management and receives recommendation from the Remuneration Committee, which takes into account salaries paid by comparable companies, time commitment and responsibilities of the Directors and performance of the Group.

Use of Proceeds from the Global Offering

With the shares of the Company listed on the Stock Exchange on August 8, 2024, the net proceeds from the Global Offering were approximately HK\$950.8 million after deducting underwriting fees and commissions and estimated expenses payable by us in connection with the Global Offering, which will be utilized for the purposes as set out in the Prospectus. Please refer to the section headed "Future Plans and Use of Proceeds" in the Prospectus for details of the intended use of proceeds.

During the Reporting Period, approximately HK\$227.9 million of the net proceeds from the Global Offering had been utilized by the Group in accordance with the intended purposes stated in the Prospectus. As of the date of this report, there was no change in the intended use of net proceeds as previously disclosed in the section headed "Future Plans and Use of Proceeds" in the Prospectus. To the extent that the net proceeds of the Global Offering are not immediately used for the purposes described above, we will only deposit the unused net proceeds into short-term interest-bearing accounts at licensed commercial banks and/or other authorized financial institutions (as defined under the SFO or applicable laws and regulations in other jurisdictions).

Management Discussion and Analysis (continued)

Details of the use of proceeds and the expected timeline for utilization of the unutilized net proceeds are set out below:

Intended purposes as set out in the Prospectus	Planned proportion of the net proceeds (%)	Planned use of the net proceeds (Approximately HK\$ million)	Net proceeds unused as of January 1, 2025 (Approximately HK\$ million)	Actual use of net proceeds during the Reporting Period (Approximately HK\$ million)	Net proceeds unused as of June 30, 2025 (Approximately HK\$ million)	Expected timeline for fully utilising the net proceeds from the Global Offering ⁽¹⁾
(i) Research and development	80.0	760.6	416.5	144.0	272.5	Fully utilized within 2025
• Development of intelligent vehicle SoCs	30.0	285.2	171.8	43.8	128.0	Fully utilized within 2025
• Procurement of materials, tapeout services and software, for R&D of intelligent vehicle SoCs and automotive-grade IP cores	20.0	190.2	81.2	26.3	54.9	Fully utilized within 2025
• Development and upgrade of support software for intelligent vehicles	25.0	237.7	121.1	55.8	65.3	Fully utilized within 2025
• Development of driving assistance solutions	5.0	47.5	42.4	18.1	24.3	2025: 70% utilized, 2026: 30% utilized
(ii) Improvement of commercialization capability	10.0	95.1	68.5	43.9	24.6	Fully utilized within 2025
(iii) Working capital and general corporate purposes	10.0	95.1	75.8	40.0	35.8	Fully utilized within 2025
Total	100.0	950.8	560.8	227.9	332.9	

Use of Proceeds from Placing of Shares under General Mandate

On February 19, 2025, the Company entered into a placing agreement (the “**Placing Agreement**”) with China International Capital Corporation Hong Kong Securities Limited and Huatai Financial Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited in relation to the placing of 53,650,000 new Shares (the “**Placing Shares**”) at HK\$23.20 per Placing Share (the “**Placing Price**”) to no less than six placees who and whose ultimate beneficial owner(s) (where applicable) are independent third parties (the “**Placing**”). All the conditions set out in the Placing Agreement were fulfilled and the Placing was completed on February 26, 2025, where a total of 53,650,000 Placing Shares (with an aggregate nominal value of US\$5,365), representing (i) approximately 9.33% of the number of issued Shares immediately before the completion of the Placing; and (ii) approximately 8.53% of the number of issued Shares as enlarged by the allotment and issue of the Placing Shares, have been successfully placed to no less than six placees at the Placing Price of HK\$23.20 pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Placing Agreement. For details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated February 19, 2025 and February 26, 2025, respectively.

The net proceeds from the Placing, after deducting the Placing commission and other relevant costs and expenses of the Placing, amounted to approximately HK\$1,237.4 million (representing a net issue price of approximately HK\$23.06 per Placing Share). During the Reporting Period, approximately HK\$309.9 million of the net proceeds from the Placing had been utilized by the Group. Unused net proceeds were held by way of deposits in short-term interest-bearing accounts at licensed commercial banks and/or other authorized financial institutions (as defined under the SFO or applicable laws and regulations in other jurisdictions). Details of the use of proceeds and the expected timeline for utilisation of the unutilised net proceeds from the Placing are set out below:

Intended purposes of placing net proceeds	Planned proportion of the net proceeds (%)	Planned use of the net proceeds (Approximately HK\$ million)	Actual use of net proceeds during the Reporting Period (Approximately HK\$ million)	Net proceeds unused as of June 30, 2025 (Approximately HK\$ million)	Expected timeline for fully utilising the net proceeds from the Placing ⁽¹⁾
(i) Research and development over core technologies	30.0	371.2	115.7	255.5	
• Development of next generation of intelligent vehicle SoCs	20.0	247.5	87.6	159.9	2025: 50% utilized 2026: 50% utilized
• Development of driving assistance solutions	10.0	123.7	28.1	95.6	2025: 50% utilized 2026: 50% utilized
(ii) Research and development over cutting-edge technologies	25.0	309.4	69.2	240.2	
• Development of core IP	20.0	247.5	53.0	194.5	2025: 40% utilized 2026: 60% utilized
• Development of robotics technologies	5.0	61.9	16.2	45.7	2025: 40% utilized 2026: 60% utilized
(iii) Improvement of the Group's commercialization capability	27.0	334.1	69.0	265.1	
• Enhancement of delivery capabilities of products and solutions	17.0	210.4	43.9	166.5	2025: 50% utilized 2026: 50% utilized
• Expansion of sales team	10.0	123.7	25.1	98.6	2025: 50% utilized 2026: 50% utilized
(iv) Selectively making strategic investments	8.0	99.0	35.0	64.0	2025: 50% utilized 2026: 50% utilized
(v) General working capital purposes	10.0	123.7	21.0	102.7	2025: 50% utilized 2026: 50% utilized
Total	100.0	1,237.4	309.9	927.5	

Note:

- (1) The expected timeline to use the remaining proceeds is prepared based on the best estimate made by the Group, which is subject to change according to the current and future development of the market condition.

Gearing Ratio

Our gearing ratio, being borrowings divided by total equity and multiplied by 100%, was 61.7% as of December 31, 2024 and 37.5% as of June 30, 2025.

Contingent Liabilities

As of June 30, 2025, we did not have any material contingent liabilities, guarantees or any litigations or claims of material importance, pending or threatened against any member of our Group that was likely to have a material and adverse effect on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Significant Investments Held

As of June 30, 2025, we did not hold any significant investments in the equity interest of other companies.

Material Acquisitions and Disposals of Subsidiaries, Associates and Joint Ventures

During the Reporting Period, we did not have any material acquisitions or disposals of subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures.

Pledge of Assets

As of June 30, 2025, we did not pledge any of our assets.

Future Plans for Material Investments and Capital Assets

On June 18, 2025, the Company entered into a non-legally binding letter of intent with a target company established in the People's Republic of China (the "**Target Company**") and certain management shareholders of the Target Company, pursuant to which the Group intends to acquire the Target Company through acquisition of equity interests in the Target Company and capital contribution to the Target Company (the "**Possible Acquisition**"). Please refer to the announcements of the Company dated June 18, 2025 and August 22, 2025 for details of the Possible Acquisition.

Save as disclosed in this report and the Prospectus, the Group had no specific future plan for material investments and acquisition of capital assets during the Reporting Period and up to the date of this report. The Group will continue to identify new investment opportunities in companies with principal businesses related to the Group's core business with a view to create synergies with the Group's existing core business and improve the Group's service and products to its customers.

REPORT ON REVIEW OF INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION



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To the Board of Directors of Black Sesame International Holding Limited
(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

INTRODUCTION

We have reviewed the interim financial information set out on pages 18 to 64, which comprises the interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position of Black Sesame International Holding Limited (the “**Company**”) and its subsidiaries (together, the “**Group**”) as at June 30, 2025 and the interim condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive loss, the interim condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity and the interim condensed consolidated statement of cash flows for the six-month period then ended, and selected explanatory notes. The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited require the preparation of a report on interim financial information to be in compliance with the relevant provisions thereof and International Accounting Standard 34 “*Interim Financial Reporting*”. The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation and presentation of this interim financial information in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 “*Interim Financial Reporting*”. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this interim financial information based on our review and to report our conclusion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report.

SCOPE OF REVIEW

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

CONCLUSION

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the interim financial information of the Group is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 “*Interim Financial Reporting*”.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS)/INCOME

		Six months ended June 30,	
	Note	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue	7	252,882	180,139
Cost of sales	8	(190,185)	(90,064)
Gross profit		62,697	90,075
Selling expenses	8	(51,510)	(51,152)
General and administrative expenses	8	(170,106)	(182,529)
Research and development expenses	8	(618,130)	(687,330)
Net impairment losses on financial assets		(11,445)	(13,979)
Other income	9	7,397	8,162
Other gains/(losses) – net	10	9,803	(3,347)
Operating loss		(771,294)	(840,100)
Finance income	11	27,439	19,018
Finance costs	11	(17,099)	(3,350)
Finance income, net		10,340	15,668
Share of net loss of associates accounted for using the equity method	17	(1,410)	(2,593)
Fair value change in financial instruments issued to investors	27	–	1,931,792
(Loss)/profit before income tax		(762,364)	1,104,767
Income tax expense	12	–	–
(Loss)/profit for the period attributable to the equity holders of the Company		(762,364)	1,104,767
Other comprehensive loss			
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Fair value changes of redeemable convertible preferred shares (“Preferred Shares”) due to own credit risk	27	–	2,821
Change in foreign currency translation of the financial statements of the Company		(17,110)	(35,110)

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive (Loss)/Income (continued)

		Six months ended June 30,	
	Note	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
<i>Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</i>			
Change in foreign currency translation of the financial statements of the subsidiaries of the Company		6,633	(28,796)
Other comprehensive loss		(10,477)	(61,085)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period attributable to the equity holders of the Company		(772,841)	1,043,682
(Loss)/earnings per share for (loss)/profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company (in RMB)			
Basic	13	(1.3)	15.1
Diluted	13	(1.3)	(1.7)

The above condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive (loss)/income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	Note	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	14	79,235	79,799
Right-of-use assets	15	38,103	48,372
Intangible assets	16	24,620	39,065
Investments accounted for using the equity method	17	13,441	14,851
Prepayments and other receivables	21	19,954	13,131
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL")	20	21,015	21,102
Total non-current assets		196,368	216,320
Current assets			
Inventories	18	46,771	68,484
Trade and notes receivables	22	315,004	258,067
Prepayments and other receivables	21	167,504	151,454
Financial assets at FVPL	20	138,591	174,804
Cash and cash equivalents	23	1,966,492	1,448,106
Total current assets		2,634,362	2,100,915
Total assets		2,830,730	2,317,235
LIABILITIES			
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	26	–	201,360
Lease liabilities	15	23,471	32,788
Other payables and accruals	29	30,877	39,149
Total non-current liabilities		54,348	273,297

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (continued)

		As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
	Note		
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	28	132,952	117,293
Contract liabilities	7	3,576	440
Borrowings	26	637,483	472,852
Lease liabilities	15	18,227	15,399
Other payables and accruals	29	283,819	344,739
Total current liabilities		1,076,057	950,723
Total liabilities		1,130,405	1,224,020
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to owners of the Company			
Share capital	24	447	401
Other equity		(17)	(17)
Reserves	25	13,630,440	12,261,012
Accumulated losses		(11,930,545)	(11,168,181)
Total equity		1,700,325	1,093,215
Total equity and liabilities		2,830,730	2,317,235

The above condensed consolidated statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

		Attributable to equity holders of the Company				
	Note	Share capital RMB'000	Other equity RMB'000	Reserves RMB'000	Accumulated losses RMB'000	Total RMB'000
(Unaudited)						
As at January 1, 2025		401	(17)	12,261,012	(11,168,181)	1,093,215
Comprehensive loss						
Loss for the period		-	-	-	(762,364)	(762,364)
Foreign currency translation	25	-	-	(10,477)	-	(10,477)
Total comprehensive loss for the period		-	-	(10,477)	(762,364)	(772,841)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners						
Share-based compensation expenses	30	-	-	213,655	-	213,655
Issuance of ordinary shares relating to placing, net of other issuance costs	24	39	-	1,142,100	-	1,142,139
Exercise of share options	24	7	-	24,150	-	24,157
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners for the period		46	-	1,379,905	-	1,379,951
As at June 30, 2025		447	(17)	13,630,440	(11,930,545)	1,700,325

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (continued)

		Attributable to equity holders of the Company				
		Share capital	Other equity	Reserves	Accumulated losses	Total
	Note	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
(Unaudited)						
As at January 1, 2024		46	–	353,580	(11,447,242)	(11,093,616)
Comprehensive income						
Profit for the period		–	–	–	1,104,767	1,104,767
Foreign currency translation	25	–	–	(63,906)	–	(63,906)
Fair value change on redeemable convertible preferred shares due to own credit risk	27	–	–	2,821	–	2,821
Total comprehensive income for the period		–	–	(61,085)	1,104,767	1,043,682
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners						
Share-based compensation expenses	30	–	–	224,724	–	224,724
Issuance of ordinary shares to employee share scheme trusts	24	17	(17)	–	–	–
Exercise of share options	24, 25	16	–	17,488	–	17,504
Total transactions with owners in their capacity as owners for the period		33	(17)	242,212	–	242,228
As at June 30, 2024		79	(17)	534,707	(10,342,475)	(9,807,706)

The above condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

		Six months ended June 30,	
	Note	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash used in operations		(565,393)	(577,900)
Interest received from cash at banks	11	27,217	18,751
Net cash used in operating activities	31(a)	(538,176)	(559,149)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payments of property, plant and equipment	14	(25,997)	(23,435)
Payments for intangible assets		(19,391)	(15,138)
Loans to a related party	21	(35,000)	–
Payments for financial assets at FVPL	20	(35,848)	–
Proceeds from maturity of financial assets at FVPL	20	71,754	8,323
Net cash used in investing activities		(44,482)	(30,250)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Issuance of ordinary shares relating to placing, net of other issuance costs	24	1,142,139	–
Proceeds from borrowings	31(d)	110,000	234,677
Repayment of borrowings	31(d)	(150,000)	–
Interests paid for borrowings	31(d)	(11,283)	(659)
Payment for financing transaction costs		–	(23,600)
Principal payments of lease liabilities	31(d)	(7,075)	(10,161)
Interest paid for lease liabilities	31(d)	(1,156)	(1,509)
Payments for listing expenses		(1,392)	(758)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options		24,157	7,185
Net cash generated from financing activities		1,105,390	205,175
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		522,732	(384,224)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	23	1,448,106	1,298,412
Exchange (losses)/gains on cash and cash equivalents		(4,346)	5,769
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	23	1,966,492	919,957

The above condensed consolidated statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL INFORMATION

For the six months ended June 30, 2025

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

Black Sesame International Holding Limited (the “**Company**”) was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on July 15, 2016 as an exempted company with limited liability under the Companies Act (Cap. 22, Law 3 of 1961 as consolidated and revised) of the Cayman Islands. The address of the Company’s registered office is P. O. Box 31119, Grand Pavilion, Hibiscus Way, 802 West Bay Road, Grand Cayman, KY1-1205, Cayman Islands.

The Company is an investment holding company. The Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the “**Group**”), primarily provide driving assistance system on chip (“**SoC**”) and SoC-based solutions and focus on developing automotive-grade driving assistance SoCs.

The Company completed the initial public offering (“**IPO**”) and had its shares listed on the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**Stock Exchange**”) on August 8, 2024.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information is presented in Renminbi (“**RMB**”), rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise stated.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information has not been audited.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation

This condensed consolidated interim financial information for the six months ended June 30, 2025 has been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 “*Interim Financial Reporting*”.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information does not include all the notes normally included in an annual financial report. Accordingly, this condensed consolidated interim financial information should be read in conjunction with the annual report for the year ended December 31, 2024 and any public announcements made by Black Sesame International Holding Limited during the interim reporting period.

The Group is in the development phase and has been incurring losses from operations since incorporation. For the six months ended June 30, 2025, the Group incurred operating losses of RMB771,294 thousand and the Group’s net cash used in operating activities was RMB538,176 thousand, attributable primarily to significant research and development (“**R&D**”) expenditures. As at June 30, 2025, the Group has cash and cash equivalents of RMB1,966,492 thousand and borrowings of RMB637,483 thousand. The Group’s ability to continue as a going concern is primarily dependent on the ability to generate adequate cash flows from business operations and to raise external equity and debt financing to fund its continuous operations. Taking into account the financing proceeds obtained from the Placing (Note 24), the directors of the Company believe that the Group’s cash and cash equivalents and funding from financing are sufficient to fund its operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements and meet its payment obligations for the next twelve months from June 30, 2025. Accordingly, the directors of the Company consider it is appropriate to prepare the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.2 Accounting policies

The accounting policies and methods of computations used in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial information are consistent with those of the annual consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended December 31, 2024, except for the adoption of new and amended IFRS effective for the financial period beginning on January 1, 2025.

New and amended standards adopted by the Group

A number of new and revised IFRSs became applicable for the current reporting period. For the purpose of preparing this condensed consolidated interim financial information, the Group has adopted all applicable new and revised IFRSs except for any new standards or interpretation that are not yet effective for the reporting period ended June 30, 2025.

These amendments did not have any impact on the amounts recognized in prior periods and are not expected to significantly affect the current or future periods.

New standards, amendments to standards and interpretations not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards, amendments to accounting standards and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for the current reporting period and have not been early adopted by the Group. These standards, amendments or interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the Group in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

The Group plans to adopt these new standards, amendments to standards and annual improvements when they become effective:

IFRS 9 and IFRS 7 (Amendment) 'Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments'	January 1, 2026
IFRS 18 'Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements'	January 1, 2027
IFRS 19 'Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures'	January 1, 2027
IFRS 10 (Amendment) and IAS 28 (Amendment) 'Sale or contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture'	To be determined

As of the date of approval of this interim financial information, the Group is still in the process of assessing the effects of adopting these new standards and amendments to standards and has not identified any significant effect on its financial statements. The Group will continue to assess the effects of these new and amended standards.

3 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: mainly market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance.

The condensed consolidated interim financial information does not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the Historical Financial Information.

There were no significant changes in any material risk management policies during the six months ended June 30, 2025.

4 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION

(a) Fair value hierarchy

This section explains the judgements and estimates made in determining the fair values of the financial instruments that are recognised and measured at fair value in the financial statements. To provide an indication about the reliability of the inputs used in determining fair value, the Group has classified its financial instruments into the three levels prescribed under the accounting standards.

- (i) Level 1: The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1.
- (ii) Level 2: The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are determined using valuation techniques which maximize the use of observable market data and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to determine fair value of an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.
- (iii) Level 3: If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in level 3.

There were no transfers among level 1, 2 and 3 for recurring fair value measurements during the Track Record Period.

The carrying amounts of the financial assets and liabilities, which are measured at amortised cost, approximated their fair value as at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

4 FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION (CONTINUED)

(a) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

The following table presents the Group's financial assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value as at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, respectively.

	Level 1 RMB'000	Level 2 RMB'000	Level 3 RMB'000	Total RMB'000
(Unaudited)				
As at June 30, 2025				
Assets				
Financial assets at FVPL	-	35,793	123,813	159,606
(Audited)				
As at December 31, 2024				
Assets				
Financial assets at FVPL	-	-	195,906	195,906

(b) Valuation techniques used to determine fair values

Specific valuation techniques used to value financial instruments include:

- Quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments; and
- Other techniques, such as discounted cash flow method, binomial option pricing model and forward pricing model, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments.

There were no changes in valuation techniques for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024.

(c) Valuation process

Equity investments measured at FVPL

- For investments in investment funds, the Group determines fair values as at the reporting date based on the periodic fair value reports of the respective funds provided by fund administrators and fund managers. The Group also discusses with the respective fund managers to understand the performance of the underlying investments and fair value measurement basis conducted by the respective fund administrators and fund managers, obtains and reviews latest available financial information (if applicable), in order to assess whether the fair values as stated in the periodic fair value reports at the end of each reporting period are appropriate;
- For the investment in private equity fund, the Group determines fair values as at the reporting date based on the fair value of underlying investments in unlisted companies invested by those private funds. For those underlying investments with recent transactions, management determines their fair value at the end of each reporting period by taking reference to those recent transaction prices; for those underlying investments with no recent transactions, their fair values have been determined with by investment cost.

5 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

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

The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

In preparing the condensed consolidated interim financial information, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2024.

6 SEGMENT INFORMATION

The executive directors of the Company has been identified as the chief operating decision maker of the Group who reviews the operating results of the Group's business as one operating segment to make strategic decisions and resources allocation. Therefore, the Group regards that there is only one segment which is used to make strategic decisions.

No geographical segment information is presented as the majority of the revenue and operating losses of the Group are derived within PRC and the majority of the operating assets of the Group are located in the PRC, which is considered as one geographic location with similar risks and returns.

Revenue from customers contributing over 10% of the total revenue of the Group in the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 is as follows:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Customer A	26%	14%
Customer B	17%	–
Customer C	17%	–
Customer D	–	10%
Customer E	–	15%
Customer F	–	11%

7 REVENUE

(a) Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 are as follows:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue from customers and recognised at point in time		
Driving Assistance Products and Solutions	236,785	167,271
Intelligent Imaging Solutions	16,097	12,868
	252,882	180,139

(b) Assets recognised from costs to fulfil a contract

The Group recognised assets in relation to costs to fulfil its provision of services contracts. This is presented within "Prepayments and other receivables" in the condensed consolidated statements of financial position [Note 21].

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Beginning balance	–	1,083
Addition	741	609
Recognised as cost of sales	–	(377)
Ending balance	741	1,315

(c) Contract liabilities

During the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, the additions to the contract liabilities were primarily due to cash collections in advance of fulfilling performance obligations, while the reductions to the contract liability balance were primarily due to the recognition of revenues upon fulfilment of performance obligations.

7 REVENUE (CONTINUED)

(c) Contract liabilities (continued)

The following table shows how much of the revenue recognised during the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 is included in the contract liabilities:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liability balance at the beginning of the period	440	2,818

8 EXPENSES BY NATURE

The detailed analysis of cost of sales, selling expenses, general and administrative expenses, and research and development expenses are as follow:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Employee benefits expenses	569,808	634,819
Design and development expenses	173,121	150,974
Intellectual property ("IP") license expenses	59	9,086
Raw materials and consumables used	166,331	111,215
Changes in inventories of work in progress and finished goods	12,365	(22,580)
Provision/(reversal) for impairment of inventories (Note 18)	9,348	(118)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 14)	26,603	25,036
Amortization of intangible assets (Note 16)	14,530	20,053
Depreciation of right-of-use assets (Note 15)	9,882	11,013
Outsourcing labor costs	8,545	21,820
Office and travelling expenses	18,351	19,367
Listing expenses	–	9,044
Marketing expenses	9,371	7,879
Legal, consulting and other professional fees	5,676	7,529
Short-term lease expenses (Note 15)	2,794	3,626
Others	3,147	2,312
Total cost of sales, selling expenses, general and administrative expenses, and research and development expenses	1,029,931	1,011,075

9 OTHER INCOME

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Government grants	7,397	8,162

The government grants mainly represent government subsidies for the Group's research and development expenditures. There are no unfulfilled conditions or other contingencies attaching to the grants recognised.

10 OTHER GAINS/(LOSSES) – NET

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Gains on debt restructuring (a)	4,867	–
Gains on financial assets at FVPL (Note 20)	1,277	130
Net foreign exchange gains/(losses)	3,657	(2,211)
Others	2	(1,266)
	9,803	(3,347)

(a) In March 2025, the Group entered into several debt restructuring contracts with certain vendors, pursuant to which part of the payables to these vendors were waived, which resulted in a gain of RMB4.9 million.

The net foreign exchange gains/(losses) of the Group was primarily resulted from the translation of USD monetary assets into RMB functional currency in its PRC subsidiaries.

11 FINANCE INCOME – NET

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Finance income:		
Interest income on cash at bank	27,217	18,751
Others	222	267
	27,439	19,018
Finance costs:		
Interest expenses on bank borrowings	(14,554)	(1,116)
Interest expenses on lease liabilities (Note 15)	(1,156)	(1,509)
Others	(1,389)	(725)
	(17,099)	(3,350)
	10,340	15,668

12 INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Income tax expense is recognised based on management's estimate of the weighted average effective annual income tax rate expected for the full financial year. The estimated average annual tax rate used for the year to June 30, 2025 is 0% (for the year to June 30, 2024: 0%).

13 (LOSS)/EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic (loss)/earnings per share

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
(Loss)/profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company (RMB'000)	(762,364)	1,104,767
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding (thousand shares)	588,209	73,369
Basic (loss)/earnings per share (expressed in RMB per share)	(1.3)	15.1

(b) Diluted loss per share

The calculation of the diluted loss per share is based on the (loss)/profit attributable to equity holders of the Company, adjusted to reflect the impact from any dilutive potential ordinary shares that would have been outstanding, as appropriate. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in calculating diluted loss per share is the weighted average number of ordinary shares, as used in the basic (loss)/earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise or conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

As the Group incurred losses for the six months ended June 30, 2025, the potential ordinary shares were not included in the calculation of diluted loss per share as their inclusion would be anti-dilutive. Accordingly, diluted loss per share for the six months ended June 30, 2025 is the same as basic loss per share for the period.

13 (LOSS)/EARNINGS PER SHARE (CONTINUED)

(b) Diluted loss per share (continued)

For the six months ended June 30, 2024, the Group has two categories of potential ordinary shares, namely redeemable convertible preferred shares of the Company and share options with vesting schedule granted to the employees. Share options with vesting schedule granted to the employees were anti-dilutive for the six months ended June 30, 2024.

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
(Loss)/profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company	(762,364)	1,104,767
Adjustment for fair value change of the Company's redeemable convertible preferred shares through profit or loss	–	(1,931,792)
Net loss attributable to the equity holders of the Company	(762,364)	(827,025)
Weighted average number of shares (thousand shares):		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding (thousand shares)	588,209	73,369
Adjustment for redeemable convertible preferred shares of the Company	–	414,293
Weighted average number of shares for calculation of diluted loss per share	588,209	487,662
Diluted loss per share (expressed in RMB per share)	(1.3)	(1.7)

14 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Electronic devices RMB'000	Furniture and fixtures RMB'000	Leasehold improvements RMB'000	Vehicles RMB'000	Total RMB'000
(Unaudited)					
At January 1, 2025					
Cost	179,961	2,868	11,872	886	195,587
Accumulated depreciation	(105,616)	(1,578)	(8,023)	(571)	(115,788)
Net book amount	74,345	1,290	3,849	315	79,799
Six months ended June 30, 2025					
Opening net book amount	74,345	1,290	3,849	315	79,799
Additions	25,089	–	–	908	25,997
Disposal	(1)	–	–	–	(1)
Depreciation charge (Note 8)	(24,938)	(233)	(1,337)	(95)	(26,603)
Currency translation differences	30	–	13	–	43
Closing net book amount	74,525	1,057	2,525	1,128	79,235
At June 30, 2025					
Cost	205,078	2,865	12,104	1,794	221,841
Accumulated depreciation	(130,553)	(1,808)	(9,579)	(666)	(142,606)
Net book amount	74,525	1,057	2,525	1,128	79,235

14 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

	Electronic devices RMB'000	Furniture and fixtures RMB'000	Leasehold improvements RMB'000	Vehicles RMB'000	Total RMB'000
(Unaudited)					
At January 1, 2024					
Cost	148,577	1,949	11,350	498	162,374
Accumulated depreciation	(56,566)	(1,165)	(5,695)	(359)	(63,785)
Net book amount	92,011	784	5,655	139	98,589
Six months ended June 30, 2024					
Opening net book amount	92,011	784	5,655	139	98,589
Additions	22,730	80	625	–	23,435
Depreciation charge (Note 8)	(23,270)	(181)	(1,523)	(62)	(25,036)
Currency translation differences	6	2	(33)	1	(24)
Closing net book amount	91,477	685	4,724	78	96,964
At June 30, 2024					
Cost	171,334	2,035	11,146	498	185,013
Accumulated depreciation	(79,857)	(1,350)	(6,422)	(420)	(88,049)
Net book amount	91,477	685	4,724	78	96,964

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025	2024
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Research and development expenses	21,257	19,867
General and administrative expenses	5,301	5,113
Selling expenses	45	56
	26,603	25,036

15 LEASE

(a) Amounts recognised in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position

The condensed consolidated statement of financial position shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Right-of-use assets		
Leased buildings	38,103	48,372
Lease liabilities		
Current	18,227	15,399
Non-current	23,471	32,788
	41,698	48,187

Additions to leased buildings during the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 were approximately RMB11.8 million and RMB9.4 million, respectively.

(b) Amounts recognised in the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive (loss)/income

The condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive (loss)/income shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets (Note 8)	9,882	11,013
Interest expense (included in finance cost) (Note 11)	1,156	1,509
Expense relating to short-term leases (Note 8)	2,794	3,626

The total cash outflows for leases during the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 were approximately RMB11.0 million and RMB15.3 million, respectively.

(c) The Group's leasing activities and how these are accounted for

The Group leases various buildings for operation. Rental contracts are typically made for fixed periods ranging from one year to five years. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessors. Leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

16 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Software RMB'000
(Unaudited)	
At January 1, 2025	
Cost	97,003
Accumulated amortization	(57,938)
Net book amount	39,065
Six months ended June 30, 2025	
Opening net book amount	39,065
Additions	85
Amortisation charge (Note 8)	(14,530)
Closing net book amount	24,620
At June 30, 2025	
Cost	95,172
Accumulated amortization	(70,552)
Net book amount	24,620
(Unaudited)	
At January 1, 2024	
Cost	113,044
Accumulated amortization	(38,249)
Net book amount	74,795
Six months ended June 30, 2024	
Opening net book amount	74,795
Additions	2,500
Amortisation charge (Note 8)	(20,053)
Closing net book amount	57,242
At June 30, 2024	
Cost	115,545
Accumulated amortization	(58,303)
Net book amount	57,242

16 INTANGIBLE ASSETS (CONTINUED)

As at June 30, 2025, the intangible assets of the Group are mainly software which included electronic design automation software and office software.

Amortisation of the Group's intangible assets has been recognised as follows:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Research and development expenses	14,160	18,728
General and administrative expenses	370	1,325
	14,530	20,053

17 INVESTMENT ACCOUNTED FOR USING THE EQUITY METHOD

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Investment in associates		
At the beginning of the period	14,851	17,176
Share of net loss of associate accounted for using the equity method	(1,410)	(2,593)
At the end of the period	13,441	14,583

17 INVESTMENT ACCOUNTED FOR USING THE EQUITY METHOD (CONTINUED)

Set out below is a list of the associates of the Group as at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024. The investments in associates only consist of ordinary shares.

Name	Date of incorporation	Place of incorporation	Percentage of ownership interest attributable to the Group		Principal activities
			As at June 30, 2025 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 (Audited)	
Mairun Intelligent Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. (“ Mairun ”) 邁潤智能科技(上海)有限公司	July 6, 2018	PRC	8.84%	8.84%	Intelligent technology
Guoqi Pujin Intelligent Technology (Anqing) Co., Ltd. (“ Guoqi ”) 國汽樸津智能科技(安慶)有限公司	August 10, 2020	PRC	4.20%	4.20%	Intelligent technology
Lingtong Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. (“ Lingtong ”) 領瞳科技(上海)有限公司	March 22, 2023	PRC	15%	15%	Intelligent technology

In the opinion of the directors of the Company, none of the associates was material to the Group as of June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

17 INVESTMENT ACCOUNTED FOR USING THE EQUITY METHOD (CONTINUED)

The investments in associates as at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024 are as follows:

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Investment in associates		
– Mairun	4,940	5,929
– Guoqi	–	–
– Lingtong	8,501	8,922
	13,441	14,851

18 INVENTORIES

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Work in progress	61,869	60,506
Finished goods	28,186	48,778
	90,055	109,284
Less: Provision for impairment of inventories	(43,284)	(40,800)
	46,771	68,484

During the six months ended June 30, 2025, inventories recognised as cost of sales amounted to RMB178.7 million, and provision of impairment of inventories recognised as cost of sales amounted to RMB9.3 million.

During the six months ended June 30, 2024, inventories recognised as cost of sales amounted to RMB88.6 million, and reversal of impairment of inventories recognised as cost of sales amounted to RMB0.1 million.

19 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Financial assets		
Financial assets at FVPL (Note 20)	159,606	195,906
Financial assets at amortised cost:		
– Trade and notes receivables (Note 22)	315,004	258,067
– Other receivables (excluded prepayments, contract fulfillment cost, listing expenses to be capitalised and value-added tax recoverable) (Note 21)	52,641	16,913
– Cash and cash equivalents (Note 23)	1,966,492	1,448,106
	2,493,743	1,918,992
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:		
– Trade payables (Note 28)	132,952	117,293
– Other payables and accruals (excluding government grants, other tax payables, payroll and welfare payables) (Note 29)	165,679	165,815
– Borrowings (Note 26)	637,483	674,212
– Lease liabilities (Note 15)	41,698	48,187
	977,812	1,005,507

20 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

The Group classifies the following financial assets at fair FVPL:

- debt investments that do not qualify for measurement at either amortised cost or at FVOCI;
- equity investments that are held for trading; and
- equity investments for which the entity has not elected to recognise fair value gains or losses through OCI.

Financial assets measured at FVPL include the following:

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Current assets		
– Short-term investments measured at FVPL (a)	138,591	174,804
Non-current assets		
– Long-term investments measured at FVPL (b)	21,015	21,102
Total financial assets	159,606	195,906

- (a) As at June 30, 2025, short-term investments measured at FVPL represents a note issued by a commercial bank and equity investments in investment funds in which the Group act as limited partners without significant influence. The Group has determined the fair value of these financial assets based on certain valuation process as disclosed in Note 4.

In August 2024, the company entered into the subscription agreements to invest in two investment funds in both of which the Group act as limited partners without significant influence, with the total consideration of USD12.0 million and HKD93.6 million (equivalent to RMB85.6 million and RMB85.8 million) and the subscription fees of USD0.3 million and HKD2.3 million (equivalent to RMB2.1 million and RMB2.1 million), respectively. The consideration and subscription fees were paid in full in September 2024. As a limited partner, the Group has no significant influence over the limited partnership fund. Hence, the investment is accounted for as financial assets at FVPL with changes in the fair value recorded in the consolidated statements of comprehensive (loss)/income.

During the six months ended June 30, 2025, the Group received proceeds from the redemption of investment funds with the amount of USD10 million (equivalent to RMB71.8 million). As at June 30, 2025, the balance of the equity investment in investment funds was RMB102.8 million.

During the six months ended June 30, 2024, the Group received proceeds from the redemption of United States Treasury Bond with the amount of RMB8.3 million upon its maturity.

20 FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS (CONTINUED)

- (b) In November 2022, Dark Benne Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into an agreement to invest in 4.6% equity interests of a limited partnership fund as a limited partner with a total consideration of USD2.9 million (equivalent to RMB20 million). The consideration was paid in full in April 2023. As a limited partner, the Group has no significant influence over the limited partnership fund. Hence, the investment is accounted for as financial assets at FVPL with changes in the fair value recorded in the condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive (loss)/income.

During the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, the following net fair value gains were recognised in the condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive (loss)/income:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Gains on financial assets at FVPL recognised in other losses – net	1,277	130

21 PREPAYMENTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Non-current:		
Capacity retention fees to packaging and testing services provider	8,195	7,973
Deposits	4,939	3,068
Prepayments for intangible assets	5,345	–
Others	1,475	2,090
	19,954	13,131
Less: loss allowance	–	–
	19,954	13,131
Current:		
Prepayments	45,712	63,619
Value-added tax recoverable	81,544	81,963
Amount due from a related party (a) (Note 33(c))	35,000	–
Deposits	1,864	4,664
Contract fulfillment cost (Note 6(b))	741	–
Others	2,643	1,208
	167,504	151,454
Less: loss allowance	–	–
	167,504	151,454

- (a) In June 2025, the Group entered into a one-year loan agreement with Zhuhai Eeasy Technology Co., Ltd. ("Eeasy Tech"), pursuant to which the Group provided a loan of RMB35 million to Eeasy Tech, with the interest rate of 3% per annum. Subsequently in August 2025, the Group entered into another agreement with Eeasy Tech and its founder to collateralize the loan by the founder's 5% equity interest in Eeasy Tech.

As at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the carrying amounts of other receivables were primarily denominated in RMB and approximated their fair values at each period/year end.

Other receivables that are measured at amortised costs included deposits and amounts due from a related party and others were considered to be of low credit risk, and thus the impairment provision recognised during the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 was limited to 12 months expected losses. The expected credit losses were minimal as these receivables had no history of default, certain amount of receivables were subsequently settled, and there was no unfavorable current conditions and forecast future economic conditions identified as at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024.

22 TRADE AND NOTES RECEIVABLE

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Trade and notes receivables	375,024	306,181
Less: provision for impairment	(61,075)	(49,629)
	313,949	256,552
Notes receivables	1,055	1,515
	315,004	258,067

The Group usually grants a credit period of 30 days to 180 days to its customers. As at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the aging analysis of trade and notes receivables based on recognition date of gross trade and notes receivables are as follows:

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Up to 3 months	236,257	176,876
3 to 6 months	512	1,981
6 to 9 months	20,214	1,349
9 to 12 months	115	–
over 12 months	118,981	127,490
	376,079	307,696

The majority of the Group's trade and notes receivables were denominated in RMB.

23 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Cash and cash equivalents <i>(Note 19)</i>	1,966,492	1,448,106
Cash and cash equivalents are denominated in:		
– USD	1,858,080	1,213,695
– RMB	105,582	228,090
– HKD	1,328	2,992
– SGD	1,502	3,329
	1,966,492	1,448,106

As at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, cash and cash equivalents of the Group are mainly denominated in USD.

24 SHARE CAPITAL

Authorized

	Number of shares	Nominal value of shares in USD
Authorized shares as at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024 (a)	1,000,000,000	100,000

Issued

	Number of shares	Nominal value of shares in USD	Equivalent nominal value of shares RMB'000
(Unaudited)			
As at January 1, 2025	569,169,253	56,917	401
Issuance relating to placing (b)	53,650,000	5,365	39
Exercise of share options (c)	9,627,738	963	7
As at June 30, 2025	632,446,991	63,245	447

24 SHARE CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

Issued (continued)

	Number of shares	Nominal value of shares in USD	Equivalent nominal value of shares RMB'000
(Unaudited)			
As at January 1, 2024	71,000,000	7,100	46
Exercise of share options (c)	22,689,107	2,269	16
Issuance of ordinary shares to Excellent Ocean Assets Limited ("the Option Trust") (d)	24,187,308	2,419	17
As at June 30, 2024	117,876,415	11,788	79

- (a) The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands on July 15, 2016 with an authorized share capital of USD50,000 divided into 500,000,000 ordinary shares of a par value of USD0.0001 each.

In September 2019, the Company increased the authorized share capital to USD100,000 divided into 1,000,000,000 shares of a par value of USD0.0001 each. As at June 30, 2025, the authorized share capital of the Company is USD100,000 divided into 1,000,000,000 shares: (i) 581,215,714 ordinary shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (ii) 71,000,000 Series A redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (iii) 42,388,282 Series A-1 redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (iv) 54,977,656 Series B-1 redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (v) 6,000,000 Series B-2 redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (vi) 24,557,864 Series B-3 redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (vii) 23,959,003 Series B-4 redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (viii) 49,315,790 Series B+ redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (ix) 75,780,089 Series C redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each, (x) 70,805,602 Series C+ redeemable convertible Preferred Shares of a par value of USD 0.0001 each.

In August 2024, the Company completed the IPO and issued 37,000,000 ordinary shares to the public at a price of HKD28 per share. In connection with the Company's listing, the Company underwent a redesignation pursuant to the written resolutions passed by the shareholders on July 26, 2024, each authorised issued and unissued Preferred Share of par value of US\$0.0001 be re-designated and reclassified into one Ordinary Share of par value of US\$0.0001 pursuant to the automatic conversion, and the authorised share capital of the Company shall be US\$100,000 divided into 1,000,000,000 Ordinary Shares of par value of US\$0.0001 each. All the Preferred Shares were automatically converted to 414,292,838 ordinary shares of the Company upon the successful listing of the shares of the Company.

24 SHARE CAPITAL (CONTINUED)

Issued (continued)

- (b) On February 26, 2025, a total of 53,650,000 new shares have been issued at the HKD23.20 per share pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Placing Agreement (“**Placing**”). The net proceeds from the Placing, after deducting the Placing commission and other relevant costs and expenses of the Placing, amounted to approximately HKD1,237.4 million (equivalent to RMB1,142.1 million).
- (c) As at December 31, 2023, 17,663,676 options were exercised but not yet registered as ordinary shares of the Company, these options were fully registered in 2024. During the six months ended June 30, 2025 and the year ended December 31, 2024, additional 9,627,738 and 5,025,431 options were exercised and registered [Note 30].
- (d) During the six months ended June 30, 2024, the Company issued 24,187,308 ordinary shares to the Option Trust for the purpose of holding certain ordinary shares under the Company’s Pre-IPO Incentive Plan (the “**Pre-IPO Plan**”) on trust for and on behalf of the grantees.

As at June 30, 2025 and 2024, 24,187,308 shares held in the Option Trust are accounted for as treasury shares of the Company.

25 RESERVES

	Currency translation differences RMB'000	Fair value change on redeemable convertible preferred shares due to own credit risk RMB'000	Share-based Compensation RMB'000	Conversion of preferred shares upon IPO RMB'000	Net proceeds from IPO RMB'000	Net proceeds from Placement RMB'000	Repurchase and cancellation of ordinary shares RMB'000	Repurchase and cancellation of vested share options RMB'000	Total RMB'000
(Unaudited)									
As at January 1, 2025	(506,050)	-	1,366,779	10,640,567	865,280	-	(46,500)	(59,064)	12,261,012
Issuance of ordinary shares relating to placing, net of underwriting commissions and other issuance costs	-	-	-	-	-	1,142,100	-	-	1,142,100
Share-based compensation	-	-	213,655	-	-	-	-	-	213,655
Exercise of share options	-	-	24,150	-	-	-	-	-	24,150
Currency translation differences	(10,477)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(10,477)
As at June 30, 2025	(516,527)	-	1,604,584	10,640,567	865,280	1,142,100	(46,500)	(59,064)	13,630,440
(Unaudited)									
As at January 1, 2024	(424,026)	(37,075)	920,245	-	-	-	(46,500)	(59,064)	353,580
Fair value change on redeemable convertible preferred shares due to own credit risk (Note 27)	-	2,821	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,821
Share-based compensation	-	-	224,724	-	-	-	-	-	224,724
Exercise of share options	-	-	17,488	-	-	-	-	-	17,488
Currency translation differences	(63,906)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(63,906)
As at June 30, 2024	(487,932)	(34,254)	1,162,457	-	-	-	(46,500)	(59,064)	534,707

26 BORROWINGS

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Borrowings included in non-current liabilities:		
– Bank borrowings, secured (a)	–	201,360
	–	201,360
Borrowings included in current liabilities:		
– Bank borrowings, secured (a)	390,119	291,970
– Bank borrowings, unsecured (b)(c)	240,000	180,000
– Interest payables	7,364	882
	637,483	472,852
	637,483	674,212

- (a) In May 2024, Black Sesame Technologies Co., Ltd. ("**Black Sesame Wuhan**") and Black Sesame Shanghai Co., Ltd ("**Black Sesame Shanghai**") entered into a two-year syndicated loan agreement with Shanghai Innovation Bank (originally named Shanghai Pudong Development Silicon Valley Bank "**SSVB**"), acting as the lead and agent bank, and several other banks, which provided Black Sesame Wuhan and Black Sesame Shanghai loans with aggregated principal amount of RMB500 million. The transaction costs of these loans amounted to RMB10 million. The total principal amount can be draw down within the six months period from the date of the loan agreement. Out of the total amount, RMB300 million and RMB200 million will be due for repayment by instalments in November 2025 and May 2026, respectively. Also, the bank has the right to request the Group to make early repayment of the above loans if the Company fails to consummate equity financing with the gross proceeds no less than a pre-determined amount by December 31, 2024. Borrowings under the loan agreement were guaranteed by Black Sesame International Holding Limited.

In December 2024, Black Sesame Wuhan and Black Sesame Shanghai entered into a supplementary agreement with SSVB, pursuant to which, the bank waived the right to request the Group to make early repayment of the above loans when the Company fails to consummate equity financing with the gross proceeds no less than a pre-determined amount by December 31, 2024.

In 2024, Black Sesame Wuhan drew down borrowings with an aggregated amount of RMB285 million and Black Sesame Shanghai drew down borrowings with an aggregated amount of RMB215 million under the loan agreement with interest rates of loan prime rate ("**LPR**") plus 0.25% per annum.

During the six months ended June 30, 2025, Black Sesame Wuhan repaid borrowings with an aggregated amount of RMB57 million and Black Sesame Shanghai repaid borrowings with an aggregated amount of RMB43 million according to the repayment plan of SSVB.

26 BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)

- (b) In April 2023, Black Sesame Wuhan entered into a one-year loan facility agreement with China Merchants Bank Company Limited Wuhan Branch which provided Black Sesame Wuhan a credit limit in an aggregate principal amount of RMB50 million. In March 2024, Black Sesame Wuhan drew down borrowings with the amount of RMB50 million under the facility with an interest rate of 3.2% per annum, and the borrowing shall be due for repayment by March 2025. In March 2025, Black Sesame Wuhan repaid borrowings with the amount of RMB50 million.

In June 2024, Black Sesame Wuhan entered into another three-year loan facility agreement with China Merchants Bank Company Limited Wuhan Branch, which provided Black Sesame Wuhan a credit limit in an aggregate principal amount of RMB100 million. In March 2025, Black Sesame Wuhan drew down borrowings with the amount of RMB50 million under the facility with interest rates of LPR minus 0.2% per annum, and the borrowings shall be due for repayment by March 2026.

In December 2024, Black Sesame Shanghai entered into a one-year loan facility agreement with China Merchants Bank Company Limited Shanghai Branch which provided Black Sesame Shanghai a credit limit in an aggregate principal amount of RMB30 million. In February and March 2025, Black Sesame Shanghai drew down borrowings with the amount of RMB7.5 million and RMB22.5 million under the facility with interest rates of LPR minus 0.1% per annum which shall be due for repayment by February and March 2026.

- (c) In August 2024, Black Sesame Wuhan entered into a one-year loan facility agreement with China CITIC Bank Company Limited Wuhan Branch which provided Black Sesame Wuhan a credit limit in an aggregate principal amount of RMB130 million. In September 2024, Black Sesame Wuhan has drawn down borrowings with the amount of RMB130 million under the facility with an interest rate of 3.0% per annum which shall be repaid by September 2025.

In January 2025, Black Sesame Shanghai entered into a one-year loan facility agreement with China CITIC Bank Company Limited Shanghai Branch which provided Black Sesame Shanghai a credit limit in an aggregate principal amount of RMB30 million. In April, May and June 2025, Black Sesame Shanghai has drawn down borrowings with the amount of RMB13.9 million, RMB13.4 million and RMB2.7 million under the facility with an interest rate of 3.0% per annum which shall be repaid by April, May and June 2026.

- (d) The weighted average interest rates for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 were 4.42% and 4.75%, respectively per annum.

27 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS ISSUED TO INVESTORS

Redeemable convertible preferred shares

Since the date of incorporation, the Company has completed several rounds of financing by issuing Preferred Shares to investors.

The Company completed the IPO on August 8, 2024 and the Preferred Shares were automatically converted to ordinary shares of the Company upon the successful listing of the shares of the Company.

The movements of the Preferred Shares during the six months ended June 30, 2024 are set out as below:

	RMB'000
(Unaudited)	
At January 1, 2024	12,589,493
Change in fair value through profit or loss	(1,931,792)
Change in fair value due to own credit risk	(2,821)
Currency translation differences	72,044
At June 30, 2024	10,726,924

28 TRADE PAYABLES

As at June 30, 2025 and December 31, 2024, the aging analysis of the trade payables based on transaction date are as follows:

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Up to 6 months	125,349	86,945
6 to 12 months	309	2,053
over 12 months	7,294	28,295
	132,952	117,293

29 OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Non-current:		
Payables for transaction costs	27,406	32,430
Government grants (a)	–	2,681
Others	3,471	4,038
	30,877	39,149
Current:		
Payroll and welfare payables	80,544	134,234
Government grants (a)	59,288	66,767
Other taxes payable	4,150	9,081
Government grants refund	12,760	12,760
Payables for listing expenses	–	3,492
Payables for purchase of software	6,483	20,217
Payables for technical services	48,875	32,935
Payables for purchase of IP	53,454	53,454
Payables for financing transaction costs	15,853	9,668
Amount due to a related party (Note 33(b))	65	213
Others	2,347	1,918
	283,819	344,739
	314,696	383,888

- (a) Government grants provided to the Group mainly related to the financial assistance received from local governments in the PRC. When attached conditions are expected to be satisfied within one year, the Group recorded the government grants as current liabilities upon cash receipts. For government grants of which the attached conditions are expected to be satisfied over one year, the Group recorded the government grants as non-current liabilities upon cash receipts.

30 SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

(a) Share option

In September 2016, the Company adopted its Pre-IPO Plan, which permits the grant of stock options and restricted shares to the employees and directors of the Group. Under the plan, a total of no more than 156,847,868 ordinary shares of the Company were initially reserved for issuance. The stock options under the Pre-IPO Plan have a contractual term of ten years from the grant date.

During the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024, the Company granted nil and 2,267,001 stock options, to the Group's employees under the Pre-IPO Plan. Provided that the personnel's service with the Company has not terminated prior to each vesting date, the vesting schedules of the share options granted are as below:

- Type (i) 25% of the total granted share options shall become vested one year from the Vesting Commencement Date and the remaining 75% vested on each month thereafter over the next three years;
- Type (ii) 1/3 of the total granted share options shall become vested one year from the Vesting Commencement Date and the remaining 2/3 vested on each month thereafter over the next two years;
- Type (iii) 50% of the total granted share options shall become vested two years from the Vesting Commencement Date and the remaining 50% vested on each year thereafter over the next two years.
- Type (iv) 50% of the total granted share options shall become vested one year from the Vesting Commencement Date and the remaining 50% vested on each month thereafter over the next year.
- Type (v) 100% of the total granted share options shall become vested one year from the Vesting Commencement Date;
- Type (vi) 100% of the total granted share options shall become vested on the Vesting Commencement Date.

30 SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION (CONTINUED)

(a) Share option (continued)

The following table summarizes the Group's stock option activities:

	Number of share options	Weighted average exercise price USD
(Unaudited)		
Outstanding at January 1, 2025	132,184,924	0.36
Granted	–	–
Forfeited	(486,284)	0.60
Expired	(49,249)	0.59
Exercised	(9,627,738)	0.35
Outstanding at June 30, 2025	122,021,653	0.36
Vested and exercisable as at June 30, 2025	103,377,844	0.30
(Unaudited)		
Outstanding at January 1, 2024	139,054,958	0.35
Granted	2,267,001	0.70
Forfeited	(1,882,217)	0.49
Cancelled	(360,000)	0.59
Exercised	(5,025,431)	0.10
Outstanding at June 30, 2024	134,054,311	0.37
Vested and exercisable as at June 30, 2024	60,745,713	0.21

The weighted-average remaining contractual life for outstanding share options was 6.4 years as at June 30, 2025 (December 31, 2024: 6.8 years).

The Group has used the discounted cash flow method to determine the underlying equity fair value of the Company and adopted the equity allocation model to determine the fair value of the underlying ordinary shares. Key assumptions, such as projections of future performance, are determined by the Group with best estimate.

30 SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION (CONTINUED)

(a) Share option (continued)

Based on fair value of the underlying ordinary shares, the Group has used Binomial model to determine the fair value of the share option as at the grant date. Key assumptions are set as below:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Fair value per ordinary share (USD)	N/A	2.88-3.04
Risk-free interest rates	N/A	4.32%-4.51%
Dividend yield	N/A	0%
Expected volatility	N/A	54.88%-54.96%
Expected terms	N/A	10 years

The weighted-average fair value of granted share options was RMB21.18 per share for the six months ended June 30, 2024.

(b) Restricted Share Unit

In July 2024, the Company adopted its Post-IPO Plan, which permits the grant of restricted shares to the employees and directors of the Group. Under the plan, a total of no more than 56,916,925 ordinary shares of the Company were initially reserved for issuance. The stock options under the Post-IPO Plan have a contractual term of ten years from the grant date.

During the six months ended June 30, 2025, the Company granted 17,860,643 RSUs, to the Group's employees under the Post-IPO Plan. Provided that the personnel's service with the Company has not terminated prior to each vesting date, the vesting schedules of the RSUs granted are as below:

- Type (i) 25% of the total granted shares shall become vested one year from the Vesting Commencement Date and the remaining 75% vested on each month thereafter over the next three years;
- Type (ii) 100% of the total granted shares shall become vested one year from the Vesting Commencement Date;

30 SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION (CONTINUED)

(b) Restricted Share Unit (continued)

The following table summarizes the Group's stock option activities:

	Number of RSUs	Weighted average exercise price HKD
(Unaudited)		
Outstanding at January 1, 2025	–	–
Granted	17,860,643	19.44
Forfeited	(337,426)	19.44
Outstanding at June 30, 2025	17,523,217	19.44
Vested and exercisable as at June 30, 2025	–	–

The fair value of each RSU at the grant dates is determined by reference to the fair value of the underlying ordinary shares on the date of grant.

(c) Expenses arising from share-based payment transactions

The Group has to estimate the expected retention rate at the end of the vesting periods of the share options and RSUs in order to determine the amount of share-based compensation expenses charged to the condensed consolidated statement of comprehensive (loss)/income. As at June 30, 2025, the expected retention rate of the Group had been assessed to be no lower than 90% (December 31, 2024: 90%).

The share-based payment expenses have been charged to the condensed consolidated statements of comprehensive (loss)/income for the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 as follows:

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Research and development expenses	101,526	105,121
Selling and marketing expenses	20,739	25,095
General and administrative expenses	91,390	94,508
	213,655	224,724

31 CASH FLOW INFORMATION

(a) Net cash used in operating activities

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
(Loss)/profit before income tax	(762,364)	1,104,767
Adjustment for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 14)	26,603	25,036
Depreciation of right-of-use assets (Note 15)	9,882	11,013
Amortisation of intangible assets (Note 16)	14,530	20,053
Provision/(reversal) for impairment of inventories (Note 18)	9,348	(118)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment (Note 14)	1	–
Termination loss on right-of-use assets	126	–
Fair value gain on financial instrument issued to investors (Note 27)	–	(1,931,792)
Gains on other financial assets at FVPL (Note 20)	(1,277)	(130)
Share-based payment expenses (Notes 30)	213,655	224,724
Interest income (Note 11)	(222)	(267)
Interest expenses (Note 11)	17,099	3,350
Foreign exchange (gains)/losses – net (Note 10)	(3,657)	2,211
Net impairment losses on financial assets	11,445	13,979
Share of net loss of associates accounted for using the equity method (Note 17)	1,410	2,593
Changes in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in inventories	12,365	(22,580)
Increase in trade and notes receivables	(68,383)	(92,099)
Decrease/(increase) in prepayments, deposits and other assets	17,694	(13,769)
Increase in contract liabilities	3,136	2,115
Increase in trade payables	15,659	26,763
(Decrease)/increase in other payables and accruals	(55,226)	65,002
Net cash used in operating activities	(538,176)	(559,149)

31 CASH FLOW INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

(b) Non-cash investing and financing activities

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Acquisition of right-of-use assets (Note 15)	11,750	9,411
Registration for share options exercised in previous periods	24,157	10,319
Payables for purchase of intangible assets	6,483	–

(c) Net debt

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 23)	1,966,492	1,448,106
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (Note 20)	159,606	195,906
Lease liabilities (Note 15)	(41,698)	(48,187)
Borrowings (Note 26)	(637,483)	(674,212)
Net debt	1,446,917	921,613

31 CASH FLOW INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

(d) Reconciliation of liabilities from financing activities

	Financial instruments issued to investors (Note 27) RMB'000	Lease liabilities (Note 15) RMB'000	Borrowings (Note 26) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
(Unaudited)				
As at January 1, 2025	–	48,187	674,212	722,399
Cash flows	–	(8,231)	(51,283)	(59,514)
New leases	–	11,750	–	11,750
Interest expenses	–	1,156	14,554	15,710
Lease modification	–	(11,426)	–	(11,426)
Foreign exchange	–	262	–	262
As at June 30, 2025	–	41,698	637,483	679,181
(Unaudited)				
As at January 1, 2024	12,589,493	52,448	–	12,641,941
Cash flows	–	(11,670)	230,924	219,254
New leases	–	9,411	–	9,411
Fair value changes	(1,934,613)	–	–	(1,934,613)
Interest expenses	–	1,509	1,116	2,625
Foreign exchange	72,044	(93)	–	71,951
As at June 30, 2024	10,726,924	51,605	232,040	11,010,569

32 COMMITMENTS

The Group did not have any material commitments as at June 30, 2025.

33 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability, directly or indirectly, control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial and operation decisions. Parties are also considered to be related if they are subject to common control. Members of key management and their close family member of the Group are also considered as related parties.

The following significant transactions were carried out between the Group and its related party during the periods presented. In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the related party transactions were carried out in the normal course of business and at terms negotiated between the Group and the respective related parties.

(a) Name and relationship of related parties

Name of related parties	Relationship with the Group
Mairun Intelligent Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.	Associate
Guoqi Pujin Intelligent Technology (Anqing) Co., Ltd.	Associate
Lingtong Technology (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.	Associate
Zhuhai Eeasy Technology Co., Ltd. ("Eeasy Tech")	Entity with a common director

(b) Transactions with related parties

(i) Purchase of goods and services (Trade nature)

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Driving Assistance Products and Solutions		
Lingtong	838	–
Eeasy Tech	355	–
	1,193	–

(ii) Research and development expenses from a related party (Non-trade nature)

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Design and development expenses – Lingtong	–	1,063

33 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

(c) Year end balances with related parties

(i) Amounts due from a related party (Non-trade nature)

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Loan due from Eeasy Tech	35,000	–

(ii) Amounts due to a related party (Non-trade nature)

	As at June 30, 2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	As at December 31, 2024 RMB'000 (Audited)
Other payables and accruals for technical services provided by Lingtong	65	213

(d) Key management personnel compensation

	Six months ended June 30,	
	2025 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2024 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Wages, salaries and bonuses	3,437	2,831
Share-based compensation expenses	95,866	113,749
Pension obligations, housing funds, medical insurances and other social insurances	401	329
	99,704	116,909

34 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group did not have any material contingent liabilities as at June 30, 2025.

35 DIVIDEND

No dividend has been paid or declared by the Company or subsidiaries of the Company during the six months ended June 30, 2025 and 2024 and up to date of this report.

36 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There were no significant events that might adversely affect the Group after June 30, 2025 and up to the date of this report.

DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY OR ANY ASSOCIATED CORPORATIONS

As of June 30, 2025, so far as the Directors are aware, the interests or short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in any of the Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), which have been notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including any interests and short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which were required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, have been recorded in the register to be kept by the Company or otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code, were as follows:

Interests in Shares of the Company

Name	Nature of interest ⁽¹⁾	Number of Shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding in the issued and outstanding share capital of the Company ⁽²⁾
Mr. Shan	Beneficial interest ⁽³⁾	45,000,000	7.12%
	Beneficial interest ⁽⁴⁾	44,100,000	6.97%
	Others ⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾⁽⁷⁾	70,976,255	11.22%
	Deemed interest ⁽⁸⁾	8,300,160	1.31%
Mr. Liu Weihong	Beneficial interest ⁽⁹⁾	9,891,667	1.56%
	Interest in controlled corporations ⁽¹⁰⁾	14,700,000	2.32%
Mr. Zeng Daibing	Beneficial interest ⁽¹¹⁾	6,580,000	1.04%

Other Information (continued)

Notes:

- (1) All interests stated are long position.
- (2) The calculations of the percentage of shareholding are based on the number of total Shares in issue as of June 30, 2025, comprising 632,446,991 Shares.
- (3) The interests comprise underlying Shares in respect of the options granted to Mr. Shan pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan.
- (4) Mr. Shan directly holds 44,100,000 Shares in the Company.
- (5) Pursuant to the respective voting trust agreements entered into by and among Mr. Shan, Mr. Liu, Ms. Pan, Ms. Wang, Mr. Xiong Chengyu and Mr. Gu Qun dated September 19, 2016, August 24, 2020, January 31, 2023 and January 29, 2024 ("**Voting Trust Agreements**"), Mr. Shan is entitled to exercise voting rights attached to all Shares held by Ruby Wealth, New Key Trade, Ms. Pan, Mr. Xiong Chengyu, Mr. Gu Qun and Marvel Stars. The Voting Trust Agreements continue to be effective following completion of the Global Offering. Mr. Shan is Ms. Pan's spouse and is hence also deemed to be interested in the 8,300,160 Shares of the Company held by Ms. Pan. Mr. Shan is therefore deemed to be interested in the total of 32,400,000 Shares held by Ruby Wealth, New Key Trade, Ms. Pan, Mr. Xiong Chengyu, Mr. Gu Qun and Marvel Stars pursuant to the Voting Trust Agreements (including the 8,300,160 Shares held by Ms. Pan in which Mr. Shan is deemed to be interested as Ms. Pan's spouse).
- (6) Excellent Ocean Trust is a trust with an independent professional trustee to manage the options granted to 12 grantees under the Pre-IPO Share Plan. Mr. Shan is entitled to exercise the voting rights attached to all Shares held by Excellent Ocean Trust at his sole discretion.
- (7) Mr. Shan is entitled to exercise the voting rights attached to the 22,689,107 Shares held by the 88 employees of the Group at his sole discretion.
- (8) Ms. Pan directly holds 8,300,160 Shares in the Company. Mr. Shan is the spouse of Ms. Pan. Under the SFO, Mr. Shan is deemed to be interested in Ms. Pan's interest in the Shares.
- (9) The interests comprise underlying Shares in respect of the options granted to Mr. Liu pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan.
- (10) Ruby Wealth and New Key Trade are controlled by Mr. Liu. Mr. Liu is therefore deemed to be interested in the 14,700,000 Shares held through Ruby Wealth and New Key Trade.
- (11) The interests comprise (i) 6,460,000 underlying Shares in respect of the options granted to Mr. Zeng Daibing pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan; and (ii) 120,000 underlying Shares in respect of the awards granted to Mr. Zeng Daibing pursuant to the Post-IPO Share Plan.

Save as disclosed above, as of June 30, 2025, so far as the Directors or chief executive of the Company are aware, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in the Shares, underlying Shares or debentures of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which have to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they are taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO) or which are required, pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, to be recorded into the register referred to therein, or are required, pursuant to the Model Code, to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange.

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

So far as the Directors are aware, as of June 30, 2025, other than the Directors and chief executive of the Company, the following persons had or were taken or deemed to have interests and/or short positions (as applicable) in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, and as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO:

Interests in Shares of the Company

Name	Nature of interest ⁽¹⁾	Number of Shares held	Approximate percentage of shareholding in the issued and outstanding share capital of the Company ⁽²⁾
Ms. Pan	Beneficial interest ⁽³⁾	8,300,160	1.31%
	Deemed interest ⁽⁴⁾	160,076,255	25.31%
Northern Light Venture Fund IV, L.P.	Beneficial interest ⁽⁵⁾	40,063,319	6.33%
Northern Light Venture Capital IV, Ltd.	Interest in controlled corporations ⁽⁵⁾	43,920,178	6.94%
Northern Light Partners IV L.P.	Interest in controlled corporations ⁽⁵⁾	43,920,178	6.94%
The D&H Family Trust dated December 7, 2001	Interest in controlled corporations ⁽⁶⁾	43,920,178	6.94%
SummitView Capital (M&A)	Interest in controlled corporations ⁽⁷⁾	37,226,922	5.89%
Shanghai Jixin Enterprise Management Limited Partnership (上海極芯企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥)) ["Shanghai Jixin"]	Beneficial interest ⁽⁷⁾	22,519,968	3.56%
Jiaxing Xincan Equity Investment Partnership (Limited Partnership) (嘉興信燦股權投資合夥企業(有限合夥)) ["Jiaxing Xincan"]	Beneficial interest ⁽⁷⁾	14,706,954	2.33%

Other Information (continued)

Notes:

- (1) All interests stated are long position.
- (2) The calculations of the percentage of shareholding are based on the number of total Shares in issue as of June 30, 2025, comprising 632,446,991 Shares.
- (3) Ms. Pan directly holds 8,300,160 Shares in the Company.
- (4) Ms. Pan is the spouse of Mr. Shan. Under the SFO, Ms. Pan is deemed to be interested in all of Mr. Shan's interests in the Shares, i.e., a total of 168,376,415 Shares, including the 8,300,160 Shares held by Ms. Pan (already set out in footnote 3 above).
- (5) Northern Light Venture Capital IV, Ltd. is the general partner of Northern Light Partners IV L.P.; Northern Light Partners IV L.P. is the general partner of Northern Light Venture Fund IV, L.P., Northern Light Strategic Fund IV, L.P. and Northern Light Partners Fund IV, L.P., holding 40,063,319 Shares, 3,298,459 Shares and 558,400 Shares, respectively, as of June 30, 2025.
- (6) Deng Feng is a settlor of The D&H Family Trust dated December 7, 2001.
- (7) The respective general partner of Shanghai Jixin and Jiaying Xincan, being Shanghai Youxin Investment Management Co., Ltd. (上海由芯投資管理有限公司) and Shanghai Jixin Enterprise Management Partnership (Limited Partnership) (上海霽信企業管理合夥企業(有限合夥)), are ultimately managed by SummitView Capital (M&A).

Save as disclosed above, as of June 30, 2025, so far as the Directors are aware, no other person (other than the Directors and chief executives of the Company) or corporation had any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying Shares of the Company which fall to be disclosed to the Company pursuant to the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 336 of the SFO.

LOCK-UP

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company or otherwise within the knowledge of the Directors, no Share was subject to lock-up requirements pursuant to Rule 18C.14 of the Listing Rules as of the Latest Practicable Date.

On August 7, 2025, the Company was informed that Mr. Shan, as a demonstration of confidence in the long-term value and future prospects of the Company, has voluntarily undertaken not to dispose of all the Shares beneficially held by him (i.e., 44,100,000 Shares) for another 12 months from August 8, 2025 until August 7, 2026 (both dates inclusive). Please refer to the announcement of the Company dated August 7, 2025 for details.

SHARE INCENTIVE SCHEMES

The Company has adopted two share incentive schemes, namely the Pre-IPO Share Plan and the Post-IPO Share Plan.

1. Pre-IPO Share Plan

The following is a summary of the principal terms of the Pre-IPO Share Plan of the Company as approved by the Board on September 7, 2016 and amended on December 31, 2021 and from time to time. For further details of the Pre-IPO Share Plan, please refer to the section headed “Statutory and General Information – D. Share Incentive Schemes – 1. Pre-IPO Share Plan” in Appendix IV to the Prospectus.

(a) Purpose

The purpose of the Pre-IPO Share Plan is to offer persons selected by the Company an opportunity to acquire a proprietary interest in the success of the Company, or to increase such interest, by acquiring Shares.

(b) Administration

The Pre-IPO Share Plan may be administered by one or more committees of the Board (the “**Committee**”). Each Committee shall consist, as required by applicable law, of one or more members of the Board who have been appointed by the Board. Each Committee shall have such authority and be responsible for such functions as the Board has assigned to it. If no Committee has been appointed, the entire Board shall administer the Pre-IPO Share Plan.

Subject to the provisions of the Pre-IPO Share Plan, the Board shall have full authority and discretion to take any actions it deems necessary or advisable for the administration of the Pre-IPO Share Plan.

All decisions, interpretations and other actions of the Board shall be final and binding on all persons to whom the Board has offered the right to purchase Shares under the Pre-IPO Share Plan (“**Purchasers**”, each a “**Purchaser**”), all persons who holds an option that qualifies as an incentive stock option (“**ISO**”) as described in Section 422(b) of U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (“**Code**”) or an option that does not qualify as an incentive stock option as described in Code Section 422(b) or 423(b) (“**Non-statutory Option**”, together with ISO, “**Pre-IPO Option**”) granted under the Pre-IPO Share Plan and entitling the holder to purchase Shares (“**Optionees**”, each an “**Optionee**”) and all persons deriving their rights from a Purchaser or Optionee.

(c) Eligibility

Only (i) individuals who are common-law employees of the Group ("**Employees**" each an "**Employee**"), (ii) members of the Board who are not an Employee ("**Outside Directors**") and (iii) a person, excluding Employees and Outside Directors, who performs bona fide services for the Group as a consultant or advisor ("**Consultants**") shall be eligible for the grant of Non-statutory Options, bookkeeping entries representing the equivalent of Shares ("**Restricted Share Units**") or the direct award or sale of Shares. Only Employees shall be eligible for the grant of ISOs.

(d) Shares Subject to the Pre-IPO Share Plan

Not more than 156,847,868 Shares may be issued under the Pre-IPO Share Plan, representing approximately 24.80% of the issued share capital of the Company as of June 30, 2025, subject to any adjust of Shares pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan.

(e) Term of the Pre-IPO Share Plan

The Pre-IPO Share Plan shall become effective on the date of its adoption by the Board, subject to approval of the Company's shareholders. The Pre-IPO Share Plan shall terminate automatically 10 years after the later of (i) the date when the Board adopted the Pre-IPO Share Plan or (ii) the date when the Board approved the most recent increase in the number of Shares reserved under the Pre-IPO Share Plan that was also approved by the Company's shareholders. The Pre-IPO Share Plan may be terminated on any earlier date pursuant to the right of the Board.

(f) Details of the Shares, Options and Restricted Share Units awarded or granted under the Pre-IPO Share Plan

As of June 30, 2025, no Shares were awarded or agreed to be awarded by the Company pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan.

As of June 30, 2025, Pre-IPO Options to subscribe for an aggregate of 156,847,868 Shares (i.e., all Shares reserved for the Pre-IPO Share Plan) had been granted to the Directors, senior management and employees of our Group. Within such Pre-IPO Options granted, (i) 24,187,308 Shares were issued to Excellent Ocean Trust which was set up with an independent professional trustee to manage the Pre-IPO Options granted to 12 grantees under the Pre-IPO Share Plan, (ii) 22,689,107 Shares were issued to a total of 88 employees of the Group who exercised their Pre-IPO Options granted pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan of the Company, (iii) 9,627,738 Shares were issued during the Reporting Period for Pre-IPO Options held by the grantees under the Pre-IPO Share Plan, (iv) Pre-IPO Options to subscribe for an aggregate of 2,509,370 Shares had been forfeited, expired or cancelled pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan, and (v) 97,834,345 Shares may be further issued for outstanding Pre-IPO Options held by the grantees under the Pre-IPO Share Plan, representing approximately 15.47% of the total issued share capital of the Company as of June 30, 2025.

As of June 30, 2025, Pre-IPO Options (excluding any Pre-IPO Options which have been forfeited, expired or cancelled pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan) to subscribe for an aggregate of 78,807,545 Shares had been granted to nine grantees who are Directors, senior management, members of our core R&D team or other connected persons of the Company. Details of the movements in the outstanding and exercised Options granted pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan during the Reporting Period to our Directors, senior management, members of our core R&D team and other connected persons of the Company are set out below:

Category and name of grantee	Date of grant	Exercise period	Exercise price (US\$)	Vesting period ⁽¹⁾	Number of Shares underlying the exercised Options as of January 1, 2025	Number of Shares underlying the outstanding and unexercised Options as of January 1, 2025	Number of Shares underlying the Options exercised during the Reporting Period	Number of Shares underlying the Options cancelled/lapsed during the Reporting Period	Number of Shares underlying the outstanding and unexercised Options as of June 30, 2025	Share closing price immediately before the date of grant of Options ⁽²⁾	Weighted average closing price of the Shares immediately before the exercise dates
Directors											
Mr. Shan	March 22, 2018	10 years from the date of grant	0.09	A	-	5,000,000	-	-	5,000,000	N/A	N/A
	July 20, 2021		0.19	D	-	25,000,000	-	-	25,000,000	N/A	N/A
	June 11, 2023		0.59	D	-	15,000,000	-	-	15,000,000	N/A	N/A
Mr. Liu	March 22, 2018	10 years from the date of grant	0.09	A	-	2,291,667	-	-	2,291,667	N/A	N/A
	July 20, 2021		0.19	D	-	4,800,000	-	-	4,800,000	N/A	N/A
	September 26, 2022		0.56	D	-	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000	N/A	N/A
	June 11, 2023		0.59	D	-	1,800,000	-	-	1,800,000	N/A	N/A
Mr. Zeng Daibing	September 29, 2018	10 years from the date of grant	0.09	A	-	1,300,000	-	-	1,300,000	N/A	N/A
	September 25, 2019		0.18	A	-	240,000	-	-	240,000	N/A	N/A
	September 28, 2020		0.19	A	-	500,000	-	-	500,000	N/A	N/A
	July 20, 2021		0.19	D	-	2,960,000	-	-	2,960,000	N/A	N/A
	September 26, 2022		0.56	D	-	750,000	-	-	750,000	N/A	N/A
	June 11, 2023		0.59	D	-	710,000	-	-	710,000	N/A	N/A

Other Information (continued)

Category and name of grantee	Date of grant	Exercise period	Exercise price (US\$)	Vesting period ⁽¹⁾	Options as of January 1, 2025	Number of Shares underlying the exercised Options during the Reporting Period	Number of Shares underlying the Options cancelled/ lapsed during the Reporting Period	Number of Shares underlying the Options outstanding and unexercised Options as of June 30, 2025	Share closing price immediately before the date of grant of Options ⁽²⁾	Weighted average closing price of the Shares immediately before the exercise dates	
Senior management											
Mr. Yang Yuxin	March 18, 2020	10 years from the date of grant	0.18	A	-	3,500,000	-	-	3,500,000	N/A	N/A
	July 20, 2021		0.19	D	-	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000	N/A	N/A
	September 26, 2022		0.56	D	-	1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000	N/A	N/A
	June 11, 2023		0.59	D	-	450,000	-	-	450,000	N/A	N/A
Core R&D team members											
4 grantees	December 15, 2017 to June 11, 2023	10 years from the date of grant	0.035 to 0.59	A, D, F	524,332	9,528,166	983,050	-	8,545,116	N/A	N/A
Connected persons											
Mr. Pan Hui	December 15, 2017	10 years from the date of grant	0.035	A	500,000	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
	September 29, 2018		0.09	A	80,000	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
	September 25, 2019		0.18	A	50,000	-	-	-	-	N/A	N/A
	September 28, 2020		0.19	A	-	123,380	-	-	123,380	N/A	N/A
	July 20, 2021		0.19	D	-	200,000	-	-	200,000	N/A	N/A
	September 26, 2022		0.56	D	-	250,000	-	-	250,000	N/A	N/A
	June 11, 2023		0.59	D	-	250,000	-	-	250,000	N/A	N/A
Subtotal					1,154,332	77,653,213	983,050	-	76,670,163		
Other grantees	December 15, 2017 to July 14, 2024	10 years from the date of grant	0.035 to 0.70	A, B, C, D; E, F	21,534,775	54,531,711	8,644,688	535,533	45,351,490	N/A	N/A
Total					22,689,107	132,184,924	9,627,738	535,533	122,021,653		

Notes:

- (1) Please refer to different categories of vesting schedules below:

Category	Vesting Schedule
A	25% of the total granted share options shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date and the remaining 75% shall vest on each month thereafter over the next three years in equal portion
B	1/3 of the total granted share options shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date and the remaining 2/3 shall vest on each month thereafter over the next two years in equal portion
C	50% of the total granted share options shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date and the remaining 50% shall vest each month thereafter over the next year in equal portion
D	50% of the total granted share options shall vest two years from the vesting commencement date and the remaining 50% shall vest each year thereafter over the next two years in equal portion
E	100% of the total granted share options shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date
F	100% of the total granted share options shall vest on the vesting commencement date

- (2) Such options were granted before the Listing Date and therefore the share closing price immediately before the date of grant of the Options is not applicable.

2. Post-IPO Share Plan

The following is a summary of the key terms of the Post-IPO Share Plan as conditionally adopted and approved by the Shareholders on July 26, 2024. Since the Listing, the Post-IPO Share Plan is subject to Chapter 17 of the Listing Rules. For further details of the Post-IPO Share Plan, please refer to the section headed “Statutory and General Information – D. Share Incentive Schemes – 2. Post – IPO Share Plan” in Appendix IV to the Prospectus.

(a) Purpose

The purposes of the Post-IPO Share Plan are to recognise, motivate and provide incentives to those who make contributions to the Group, to attract and retain the best available personnel, to provide additional incentive to employees or directors of the Group, and to promote the success of the business of the Group. The Post-IPO Share Plan will give the participants an opportunity to have a personal stake in the Company and will help achieve the following objectives: (i) motivate the participants to optimise their performance and efficiency; and (ii) attract and retain the participants whose contributions are important to the long-term growth and profitability of the Group.

(b) Types of awards

The Post-IPO Share Plan provides for an award of (i) an option to subscribe for Shares (the “**Post-IPO Option**”), or (ii) an award to subscribe for Shares (the “**Post-IPO Awards**”) pursuant to the terms of the Post-IPO Share Plan.

(c) Administration

Subject to compliance with the requirements of the Listing Rules and the provisions of the Post-IPO Share Plan, the Board shall have the power, among other matters, to (i) interpret and construe the provisions of the Post-IPO Share Plan; (ii) determine the Participants who will be offered Post-IPO Options and/or Post-IPO Awards under the Post-IPO Share Plan, and with respect to each participant, the amount of Post-IPO Options to be granted and the exercise price (in the case of Post-IPO Options), and the amount of Post-IPO Awards to be granted and the purchase price (in the case of Post-IPO Awards); (iii) make such appropriate and equitable adjustments to the terms of Post-IPO Options and Post-IPO Awards granted under the Post-IPO Share Plan as it may deem necessary; and (iv) make such other decisions or determinations or regulations as it shall deem appropriate for the administration of the Post-IPO Share Plan.

The Board has the power to delegate purely administrative matters in connection with the Post-IPO Share Plan to authorised agent(s) as deemed appropriate at the sole discretion of the Board.

(d) Effectiveness and Duration

The Post-IPO Share Plan shall be valid and effective for a period of ten years commencing on the Listing Date.

(e) Participants

Persons eligible to participate in the Post-IPO Share Plan include a director or employee (whether full time or part time) of any member of the Group (including any person who is granted Post-IPO Option(s) or Post-IPO Award(s) as an inducement to enter into employment contract with any member of the Group).

(f) Maximum number of Shares

The maximum aggregate number of Shares which may be issued pursuant to all Post-IPO Awards (including Post-IPO Options) is 56,916,925 Shares, representing 10% of the total number of the Shares in issue as at the Listing Date.

In addition, the maximum number of Shares issuable upon exercise of Post-IPO Options or vesting of any Post-IPO Awards granted under the Post-IPO Share Plan and any grants made under any other share schemes of the Company shall not exceed 10% of the total number of Shares in issue as at the Listing Date (excluding, for this purpose, Shares issuable upon exercise of options or vesting of awards which have been granted but lapsed in accordance with the terms of the Post-IPO Share Plan or any other share schemes of the Company).

(g) Grant of Post-IPO Options and Post-IPO Awards

As of June 30, 2025, the Board has granted a total of 17,860,643 Post-IPO Awards, representing the same number of underlying Shares, to 740 grantees. For details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated May 7, 2025.

Details of the Post-IPO Awards granted under the Post-IPO Share Plan and the movements in Post-IPO Awards during the six months ended June 30, 2025 are set out below:

					Number of Shares							
Name of grantee	Date of grant	Closing Price of Shares immediately before the date of grant during the Reporting Period (HK\$)	Fair value of Post-IPO Awards at the date of grant during the Reporting Period (HK\$)	Vesting period	As of January 1, 2025	Granted during the Reporting Period	Vested during the Reporting Period	Cancelled during the Reporting Period	Lapsed during the Reporting Period	As of June 30, 2025	Exercise price of Post-IPO Awards vested or cancelled (HK\$)	Closing price of Shares immediately before the vesting (HK\$)
Director												
Mr. Zeng Daibing	May 7, 2025	19.44	19.44	25% of shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date and the remaining 75% shall vest each year thereafter over the next three years in equal portion	-	120,000	-	-	-	120,000	-	-
Other employees												
739 eligible employees of the Group	May 7, 2025	19.44	19.44	15,839,354 Post-IPO Awards granted shall vest as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">25% shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date and the remaining 75% shall vest each year thereafter over the next three years in equal portion 1,901,289 Post-IPO Awards granted shall vest as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">100% of the total granted Awards shall vest one year from the vesting commencement date	-	17,740,643	-	337,426	-	17,403,217	-	-
Total		-	-		-	17,860,643	-	337,426	-	17,523,217	-	-

The fair value of each Post-IPO Award at the grant dates is determined by reference to the fair value of the underlying ordinary shares on the date of grant. For details of the fair value of the Post-IPO Awards granted during the Reporting Period and the accounting standard and policy adopted, please refer to Note 30 to the condensed consolidated financial statements. The total number of Post-IPO Awards available for grant under the Post-IPO Share Plan at the beginning and the end of the Reporting Period is 56,916,925 and 39,056,282, respectively.

The number of Shares that may be issued in respect of options and awards granted under all Share schemes of the Company during the Reporting Period divided by the weighted average number of Shares in issue (excluding treasury shares) for the Reporting Period is 20.73%.

Issue of Securities and Share Capital

On February 26, 2025, we completed a placing of 53,650,000 Shares under general mandate (the “**Placing**”). For further details on the Placing, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated February 19, 2025 and February 26, 2025.

During the Reporting Period, the issued Shares of the Company increased by 9,627,738 following the exercise of the Pre-IPO Options granted pursuant to the Pre-IPO Share Plan. For further details on the Pre-IPO Share Plan, please refer to “Share Incentive Schemes – Pre-IPO Share Plan” of this report.

Purchase, Sale or Redemption of the Company’s Listed Securities

During the Reporting Period, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company’s securities listed on the Stock Exchange (including any sale of treasury shares). The Company did not have any treasury shares as defined under the Listing Rules as of June 30, 2025.

Events After the Reporting Period

Save as otherwise disclosed in this report, there was no other significant events that may affect the Group since the end of the Reporting Period and up to the date of this report.

Interim Dividend

The Board has resolved not to declare an interim dividend for the six months ended June 30, 2025 (for the six months ended June 30, 2024: Nil).

Corporate Governance Practices

The Company is committed to achieving high standards of corporate governance with a view to safeguarding the interests of the Shareholders. The principles of the Company’s corporate governance are to promote effective internal control measures, to enhance transparency of the work of the Board, and to strengthen accountability to all the Shareholders.

The Company has adopted the Corporate Governance Code as its own code of corporate governance. Save as disclosed below, the Company has complied with all applicable code provisions set out in the Corporate Governance Code throughout the Reporting Period.

Pursuant to code provision C.2.1 of Part 2 of the Corporate Governance Code, companies listed on the Stock Exchange are expected to comply with, but may choose to deviate from the requirement that the roles of chairman of the Board and the chief executive officer should be separate and should not be performed by the same individual. The Company does not have a separate chairman and chief executive officer and Mr. Shan currently performs these two roles. The Board believes that vesting the roles of both chairman of the Board and the chief executive officer in the same person has the benefit of (i) ensuring consistent leadership within the Group, (ii) enabling more effective and efficient overall strategic planning for the Group, and (iii) facilitating the flow of information between management and the Board. The Board currently comprises three executive Directors (including Mr. Shan), one non-executive Director and three independent non-executive Directors, and therefore has a strong independent element in its composition. The Board considers that the balance of power and authority for the present arrangement will not be impaired and this structure will enable the Company to make and implement decisions promptly and effectively. The Board will continue to review and consider splitting the roles of chairman of the Board and the chief executive officer of the Company at a time when it is appropriate by taking into account the circumstances of the Group as a whole.

The Company will continue to regularly review and monitor its corporate governance practices to ensure compliance with the Corporate Governance Code, and maintain a high standard of corporate governance practices of the Company.

Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors

The Board has adopted the Model Code as its own code of conduct regulating dealings in securities of the Company by the Directors and the Company's senior management who, because of his/her office or employment, is likely to possess inside information in relation to Company's securities. In response to specific enquiries made by the Board, all Directors confirmed that they have complied with the provisions of the Model Code during the Reporting Period. In addition, the Company is not aware of any non-compliance of the Model Code by the senior management of the Company during the Reporting Period.

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee (comprising three independent non-executive Directors, Prof. Li Qingyuan (being the chairperson of the Audit Committee), Prof. Long Wenmao and Prof. Xu Ming), together with senior management members and the Auditor, has considered and reviewed the unaudited interim financial information of the Group for the Reporting Period, discussed matters in relation to the accounting policies and practices adopted by the Company, risk management, internal control and financial reporting and is of the view that these interim results have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, rules and regulations and appropriate disclosures have been duly made.

Other Board Committees

In addition to the Audit Committee, the Company has also established a nomination committee and a remuneration committee.

Changes in Directors' Information

During the Reporting Period, there was no change in the Board and the information of Directors which was required to be disclosed in accordance with Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules.

Continuing Disclosure Obligations Pursuant to the Listing Rules

Save as disclosed in this interim report, the Company does not have any other disclosure obligations under Rules 13.20, 13.21 and 13.22 of the Listing Rules.

DEFINITIONS

In this interim report, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expression shall have the meanings set out below:

"Audit Committee"	the audit committee of the Company
"Auditor"	PricewaterhouseCoopers, the independent auditor of the Company
"Board" or "Board of Directors"	the board of directors of the Company
"BVI"	the British Virgin Islands
"Company"	Black Sesame International Holding Limited, an exempted company incorporated under the laws of Cayman Islands with limited liability, the issued Shares of which are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 2533)
"Corporate Governance Code"	the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix C1 to the Listing Rules
"Director(s)"	the director(s) of the Company
"Excellent Ocean Trust"	a trust set up by the Company as the settlor with Trident Trust Company (HK) Limited as the trustee for the purposes of managing certain options granted under the Pre-IPO Share Plan, and with Excellent Ocean Assets Limited, a company incorporated under the laws of the BVI and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Trident Trust Company (HK) Limited, holding the relevant options and Shares involved in the capacity as the trustee
"Global Offering"	the Hong Kong Public Offering and the International Offering as defined in the Prospectus
"Group", "our Group", "we" or "us"	the Company and its subsidiaries
"HK\$" or "HKD"	Hong Kong Dollars, the lawful currency of Hong Kong
"Hong Kong"	Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the PRC
"IFRS"	International Financial Reporting Standards
"Independent Third Party(ies)"	individual(s) or company(ies) who or which, to the best of the Director's knowledge having made all due and careful enquiries, is/are independent from and not connected with (within the meaning of the Listing Rules) any Director, chief executive or substantial shareholder (within the meaning of the Listing Rules) of the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their respective associates

"Latest Practicable Date"	September 4, 2025, being the latest practicable date prior to the printing of this interim report
"Listing"	the listing of the Shares on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
"Listing Date"	August 8, 2024, being the date on which the Shares were listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange
"Listing Rules"	the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange
"Marvel Stars"	Marvel Stars Ventures Limited, a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the BVI and wholly owned by Ms. Wang
"Model Code"	the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers, as set out in Appendix C3 of the Listing Rules
"Mr. Liu"	Mr. Liu Weihong (劉衛紅), one of our founders, our executive Director and the president of our Company
"Mr. Shan"	Mr. Shan Jizhang (單記章), the Company's co-founder, chairman of its Board, executive Director and chief executive officer
"Ms. Pan"	Ms. Pan Dan, the spouse of Mr. Shan
"Ms. Wang"	Ms. Wang Qi, the sole shareholder of Marvel Stars and an Independent Third Party
"New Key Trade"	New Key Trade Company Limited, a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the BVI and ultimately owned by Mr. Liu's trust, the beneficiaries of which are Mr. Liu and Ruby Wealth
"Post-IPO Share Plan"	the post-IPO share plan approved by the Shareholders on July 26, 2024 as amended from time to time
"PRC" or "China"	the People's Republic of China, which, for the purpose of this interim report and for geographical reference only, references to the "PRC" and "China" do not apply to Taiwan, Hong Kong and the Macau Special Administrative Region of the PRC, except where the context indicates or requires otherwise
"Pre-IPO Share Plan"	the pre-IPO share plan approved by the Company on September 7, 2016 as amended from time to time

Definitions (continued)

"Prospectus"	the prospectus of the Company dated July 31, 2024
"Reporting Period"	the six months ended June 30, 2025
"RMB"	Renminbi, the lawful currency of the PRC
"Ruby Wealth"	Ruby Wealth International Limited, a limited liability company incorporated under the laws of the BVI and wholly owned by Mr. Liu
"SFO"	the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Chapter 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong), as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time
"Share(s)"	the ordinary share(s) of par value US\$0.0001 per share in the authorized share capital of the Company
"Shareholder(s)"	the holder(s) of Share(s)
"SoC"	system-on-chips, an integrated circuit that integrates most or all components of a computer or other electronic system
"Stock Exchange"	The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited
"subsidiary(ies)"	has the meaning ascribed thereto under the Listing Rules
"United States" or "U.S."	the United States of America, its territories, its possessions and all areas subject to its jurisdiction
"US\$" or "USD"	United States Dollars, the lawful currency of the United States
"%"	per cent