

# RYKADAN CAPITAL LIMITED

# 宏基資本有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock code: 2288)



### **CORPORATE INFORMATION**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Executive Directors**

CHAN William *(Chairman and Chief Executive Officer)* LO Hoi Wah, Heywood *(Chief Financial Officer)* YIP Chun Kwok *(resigned on 30 September 2023)* 

#### Non-executive Director

NG Tak Kwan

#### **Independent Non-executive Directors**

HO Kwok Wah, George TO King Yan, Adam KHAN Sabrina *(appointed on 15 August 2023)* WONG Hoi Ki *(resigned on 15 August 2023)* 

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

HO Kwok Wah, George *(Chairman)*TO King Yan, Adam
KHAN Sabrina *(appointed on 15 August 2023)*WONG Hoi Ki *(resigned on 15 August 2023)* 

#### REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

HO Kwok Wah, George (Chairman)
TO King Yan, Adam
KHAN Sabrina (appointed on 15 August 2023)
WONG Hoi Ki (resigned on 15 August 2023)

#### **NOMINATION COMMITTEE**

CHAN William *(Chairman)*HO Kwok Wah, George
TO King Yan, Adam *(appointed on 15 August 2023)*WONG Hoi Ki *(resigned on 15 August 2023)* 

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

LUI Man Kit

#### **AUDITOR**

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Certified Public Accountants

Registered Public Interest Entity Auditor

#### **LEGAL ADVISORS**

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### **CHAIRMAN'S STATEMENT**



#### Dear Shareholders,

Sluggish economic recovery, escalated interest rates and volatile China-US trade relations have posed continuous challenges over the past fiscal year. To mitigate such a complex operating environment, we continue to prioritise risk management to protect and preserve our shareholders' wealth. With our dedicated efforts in asset monetisation and rigorous financial discipline, the Group's balance sheet continues to be solid and well-positioned to drive future growth.

The Group's diversified portfolio of commercial, residential and mixed-use properties, encompassing entrepreneurial hubs across Hong Kong, the United States of America (U.S.A.) and the United Kingdom, have supported the Group to offset some of the domestic challenges and delivered more stable returns. Despite unfavourable market conditions, we have navigated the downcycle better than many of our real estate peers by utilising our long-term strategy of growing asset values and exiting within a three-to-five-year horizon while upholding rigorous financial discipline and proactive risk management.

Designed to attract businesses seeking efficient work environments with our new design elements and sustainable building principles, our Hong Kong redevelopment projects have progressed smoothly. We are proud to announce that these projects were completed on schedule, and more than half of the available-for-sale units were pre-sold and handed over to buyers during the fiscal year 2023/24.



In the U.S.A., despite headwinds from higher interest rates, we managed to accelerate the monetisation of completed and redevelopment projects by taking advantage of potential price appreciation in the Los Angeles area. We are also re-evaluating and exploring other high-potential projects that can generate promising returns for shareholders amid market conditions and changes in zoning regulations.

On behalf of the board of directors, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our staff, business partners and management team for their unwavering dedication and hard work and to express deep appreciation to our shareholders for their continuous support and belief in the Group.

Elsewhere, we are encouraged by the gradual recovery of our hospitality business due to normalisation of economic activities and rebound in international travel.

Looking forward, investor and consumer sentiment will continue to be affected by high interest rates and increasing geopolitical tensions, which will partially be mitigated by government policies to boost capital inflow and the real estate sector. We will focus on cost management initiatives and the completion of existing redevelopment projects while leveraging our track record to explore potential investment opportunities in the U.S.A. residential markets, particularly in the Los Angeles area. We will also collaborate with partners to identify high-potential projects in selected locations that can enhance value to our stakeholders.

#### **CHAN William**

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 26 June 2024

### MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Overview

During the year, the Group continued to navigate macro headwinds and operational challenges arising from escalating interest rates and weakened market sentiment. Nonetheless, the Group has steadily progressed and monetised several property redevelopment projects in Hong Kong and the United States of America (the "U.S.A.").

The Group remains committed to its long-term strategy by acquiring and adding promising projects to its portfolio, efficiently growing its asset value and monetising it within a three-to-five-year horizon. Upholding our investment principles is crucial in maintaining sustainable return for its shareholders while mitigating near-term market fluctuations.

Following the completion of the Wong Chuk Hang and the Jaffe Road Projects in Hong Kong, the Group began to hand over presold units while undergoing additional marketing launches for the remaining units. Our projects incorporate new aesthetic design and sustainable building principles; in particular, the Wong Chuk Hang Project has won three prestigious industry awards. These appeal to buyers despite challenging market conditions.

The monetisation of the Group's diversified property redevelopment projects in the U.S.A. and the Graphite Square Project in the United Kingdom (the "U.K.") where it has a minority stake, have also progressed as planned.

The Group continued to enhance its recurring revenue by prudently building and managing its asset, investment and fund management business. By leveraging its asset, investment and fund management business, the Group plans to tap a broader base of development capital while generating stable fee income. Following the Group's earlier divestments, it is now well positioned to seek promising real estate development and co-investment opportunities in Hong Kong and overseas.

For the year ended 31 March 2024, the Group's investments included commercial and residential property redevelopments in Hong Kong, the U.S.A. and the U.K.. It also invested in a leading international producer and distributor of construction and interior decorative materials, as well as hospitality operations.

As of 31 March 2024, the Group's total assets were valued at HK\$1,148 million (2023: HK\$1,358 million), of which HK\$572 million (2023: HK\$698 million) were current assets, approximately 2.09 times (2023: 3.01 times) of its current liabilities. Equity attributable to owners of the Company was HK\$861 million (2023: HK\$1,036 million).

#### **Overall Performance**

During the year ended 31 March 2024, the Group's consolidated revenue amounted to HK\$104 million (2023: HK\$88 million). The consolidated revenue was mainly attributable to the ongoing monetisation of property redevelopment project in the Group's portfolio and recurring income generated from the Group's asset, investment and fund management business. The Group recorded a gross loss and gross loss margin of HK\$27 million (2023: gross profit of HK\$3 million) and 26.2% (2023: gross profit margin of 2.9%), respectively. The decline was mostly attributable to gross loss recognised from the disposal of a property redevelopment project under soft market condition, writing down of a property redevelopment project during the year and the decrease in revenue for asset, investment and fund management which was unable to cover fixed operating costs.

The Group recorded a loss of HK\$176 million during the year (2023: HK\$192 million), while the loss attributable to owners of the Company was HK\$174 million (2023: HK\$189 million).

Further to the aforementioned gross loss, the loss was mainly attributable to the absorption of losses incurred by associates and joint ventures during the year as a result of the challenging marco environment, the recognition of impairment losses net of reversal on trade receivables and the recognition of impairment losses on interests in joint ventures.

Basic loss per share for the year ended 31 March 2024 was HK46.3 cents (2023: HK50.4 cents).

No diluted loss per share for both years was presented as there were no potential ordinary shares outstanding during both years.

The Board of Directors (the "Board") does not recommend the payment of the final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2024 (2023: HK\$Nil per share).

#### **Material Acquisition and Disposal**

There was no material acquisition and disposal during the year.

#### **Investment Portfolio**

As at 31 March 2024, the Group's bank deposits and cash was HK101 million (2023: HK\$167 million), representing 8.8% (2023: 12.3%) of the Group's total assets.

The following table shows the Group's investments as at 31 March 2024.

#### Real estate investments

Investment	Location	Туре	Group's interest	Status as of 31/03/2024	Area	Attributable area
Winston Project	1135 Winston Avenue, San Marino, CA 91108, the U.S.A.	Residential property	100%	Completed and being marketed to buyers	4,021 square feet (gross floor)	4,021 square feet (gross floor)
Monterey Park Towne Centre Project	100, 120, 150, 200 South Garfield and 114 East Garvey and City Parking Lot, Monterey Park, CA 91755, the U.S.A.	Residential and retail property	100%	Under planning	237,644 square feet (gross floor)	237,644 square feet (gross floor)
Anoakia Project	701 Anoakia Lane, Arcadia, CA 91006, the U.S.A.	Residential property	100%	Completed. Expected to be handed over in May 2024	11,335 square feet (gross floor)	11,335 square feet (gross floor)
Broadway Project	216-220 East Broadway, San Gabriel, CA 91776, the U.S.A.	Residential property	50%	Under planning	20,003 square feet (gross floor)	10,002 square feet (gross floor)
Graphite Square Project	Graphite Square, Vauxhall, London SE11, the U.K.	Residential and commercial property	21.25%	Under construction. Expected to be completed in January 2025	27,523 square metres (gross floor)	5,849 square metres (gross floor)
Jaffe Road Project	216, 216A, 218, 220 and 222A Jaffe Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong	Commercial and retail property	3.55%	Completed and being marketed to buyers	10,792 square feet (saleable)	383 square feet (saleable)
Wong Chuk Hang Project	23 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Hong Kong	Commercial and retail property	24.21%	Completed and being marketed to buyers	37,353 square feet (saleable)	9,043 square feet (saleable)
2702, 2802, 2803, 2804 and various car parking spaces of Rykadan Capital Tower	135 Hoi Bun Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong	Commercial property	100%	Completed (classified as investment properties)	13,467 square feet (gross floor)	13,467 square feet (gross floor)
Various car parking spaces of Rykadan Capital Tower	135 Hoi Bun Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong	Commercial property	100%	Completed (classified as properties for sales)	N/A	N/A
Shouson Hill Project	House 11 (including two car parking spaces), No. 1 Shouson Hill Road East, Hong Kong	Residential property	20%	Investment properties	2,657 square feet (saleable)	531 square feet (saleable)

Note: The above gross floor area for projects under planning and construction is calculated based on the Group's development plans, which may be subject to change.

#### Other investments

Investment	Business/type	Group interest
Q-Stone Building Materials Limited	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials	87%
Quarella Holdings Limited	A joint venture, producer of quartz and marble-based engineered stone composite surfaces products	43.5%
RS Hospitality Private Limited ("RS Hospitality")	A joint venture for operating a 24-suite boutique resort in Bhutan	50%

#### **Summary and Review of Investments**

Property development/Asset, investment and fund management

During the year under review, the Group continued to capitalise on border reopenings and relaxation of property-cooling measures to accelerate sales launches for completed projects in Hong Kong. As of 31 March 2024, over 79% of the available-forsale units of the Jaffe Road Project and over 58% of the available-for-sale units and car parking spaces of the Wong Chuk Hang Project were sold and handed over to buyers. The remaining units of these projects are being marketed to buyers.

In the U.S.A., the Group proactively accelerated the pace of asset monetisation. As of 31 March 2024, the Virginia Project was sold, while part of the Broadway Project – an approved multi-family project, was divested, with the remaining stakes to be sold and expected to be closed during the first half of the next fiscal year. In the meantime, the presale negotiation of the Anoakia Project has commenced, while the Winston Project is completed and being marketed to buyers. All these properties are located in California, the U.S.A.

Due to the new zoning policy and shifts in market conditions, the Group's Monterey Park Towne Centre Project remains in the planning phase. The Group has been discussing with city planners to explore ways to enable higher-density redevelopment to align with the local government's policy to promote affordable housing. The Group anticipates approvals of a revised plan to be obtained by late 2024.

In the U.K., the Group's minority stake in the Graphite Square Project has received strong interest from offshore buyers in Asia. As a result, a significant portion of the available-for-sale units has been pre-sold to buyers. The Graphite Square Project is currently under construction and scheduled to be completed by the beginning of 2025. A new phase for promoting the remaining units to affluent buyers in China and Southeast Asia will commence at the start of summer 2024.

The Group strives to enhance shareholders' returns by furthering its asset, investment and fund management business while broadening its capital base by forming collaborations with quality partners. The better-than-expected sales launches for the Hong Kong projects highlight the Group's ability to mitigate the challenges posed by soft market conditions and uneven recovery in the property sector amidst a tightening credit environment. It also demonstrated that the Group's resilience, operational agility and diversified asset model enable it to weather potential downturns in real estate market.

As asset value stabilises at different paces across the regions, the net proceeds from earlier asset sales could be redeployed into high-potential redevelopment projects in the future. The Group will diligently identify new opportunities to build a better-diversified and more balanced asset portfolio amidst an extended period of higher interest rates.

#### Property investment

The Group also holds several properties as investments in Hong Kong and Bhutan.

In Hong Kong, the Group retains two floors and various car parking spaces at Rykadan Capital Tower and a minority stake of the Shouson Hill property for its own use and/or for earning stable rental income or potential capital appreciation.

In Bhutan, the Group holds an investment in a 24-suite boutique resort located in Punakha Valley, operated by RS Hospitality. With the resurgence of international travellers and the government reducing its daily tourist fees to promote tourism, the turnover of the boutique resort has significantly bounced back.



Quarella, controlled by Quarella Holdings Limited, a joint-venture of the Group, is a world leader in the design and manufacturing of quartz and marble-based engineered stone composite surfaces products. Supported by advanced factories and research and development centres in Italy, its products are used in a number of prominent hotels, airports, train stations, commercial buildings and shopping malls in markets around the world.

During the year, the macroeconomic recovery has been uneven and challenging due to the slowdown of large-scale projects and global credit tightening. Nonetheless, Quarella is addressing such market challenges by developing a new and innovative line of competitive products targeting growing middle-class consumers and interior design communities. Quarella aims to expand its market exposure in Southeast Asia, in addition to Greater China and other developed markets, to meet the evolving needs of its customers.

#### Outlook

Despite ongoing macroeconomic headwinds and heightened geopolitical tension, markets show signs of resilience, and the Group is cautiously optimistic about its near-term prospects.

The Group has identified promising indicators in residential market transactions and a positive reception of the Hong Kong Government's revamped Capital Investment Entrant Scheme (CIES). These trends are expected to be advantageous to the domestic commercial real estate markets. Similarly, in the U.S.A., the relatively low unemployment rate, resilient consumer activities and low housing inventory, particularly in Los Angeles County, bring substantial opportunities for the Group.

The Group will focus on monetising and obtaining construction permits for existing projects while pursuing new opportunities as they arise.

The theme of border reopening and recovery is set to revive economic activities and support the recovery in the Group's hospitality and distribution of building material business.

While uneven economic conditions are expected to persist, the Group will leverage its experienced investment teams and diversified platforms to identify high-return projects and generate returns for its shareholders.

#### CORPORATE FINANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Liquidity and Financial Resources

The Group adheres to the principle of prudent financial management to minimise financial and operational risks across its various business units in Hong Kong and overseas. In order to implement this principle, the control of the Group's financial, capital management and external financing functions are centralised at its headquarters in Hong Kong.

The Group mainly relies upon internally generated funds and bank borrowings to finance its operations and expansion.

As of 31 March 2024, the Group's total debts (representing total interest-bearing bank borrowings) to total assets ratio was 24.1% (2023: 23.0%). The net gearing ratio (net debts, as defined by total debts less unrestricted bank balances and cash, to equity attributable to owners of the Company) was 20.3% (2023: 14.0%) as the Group has net debts of HK\$175 million as at 31 March 2024 (2023: HK\$145 million).

As of 31 March 2024, the total bank borrowings of the Group amounted to HK\$276 million (2023: HK\$313 million). The bank borrowings of the Group were mainly used to finance the retaining of two floors of Rykadan Capital Tower, the property redevelopment projects, its investment in Quarella, and the Shouson Hill Project. Certain of the bank borrowings were secured by investment properties, properties for sale and buildings. Further costs for developing the property redevelopment projects and the Quarella business will be financed by unutilised banking facilities or internally generated funds.

As of 31 March 2024, the Group's current assets and current liabilities were HK\$572 million (2023: HK\$698 million) and HK\$274 million (2023: HK\$232 million) respectively. The Group's current ratio decreased to 2.09 (2023: 3.01). The internally generated funds, together with unutilised banking facilities enable the Group to meet its business development needs.

The Group will cautiously seek new investment and development opportunities in order to balance risks and opportunities and maximise shareholders' value.

#### Pledge of Assets

For the pledge of assets, please refer to note 27 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### Commitment and Contingent Liabilities

For commitments and contingent liabilities, please refer to notes 35 and 36 to the consolidated financial statements.

# Exposure to Fluctuations in Exchange Rates and Interest Rates and Corresponding Hedging Arrangements

The Group operates in various regions with different foreign currencies mainly including United States Dollars, British Pounds, Canadian Dollars and Renminbi

Certain of the Group's bank borrowings have been made at floating rates.

The Group has not implemented any foreign currencies and interest rates hedging policy. However, management of the Group will monitor foreign currencies and interest rates exposures of each business segment and consider appropriate hedging policies in the future when necessary.

#### Credit Exposure

The Group continues to prudently monitor and review from time to time the credit policies to deal with credit exposure under the recent macroeconomic environment, in order to minimise the Group's credit risk exposure. For trade receivable, the Group's management regularly assesses the recoverability and the financial position of its customers, majority of whom are institutional organisations and reputable property developers, such that the Group is not exposed to significant credit risk. For loans and other receivables, the Group performs credit assessments before approving loans to applicants and regularly reviews the recoverability of each individual receivable.

#### Employees and Remuneration Policies

As at 31 March 2024, the total number of employees of the Group is 22 (2023: 26). The Group is committed to the concept of fair and responsible remuneration for its executive members and prescribed officers in line with the Company's and individual performance, market trends and in the context of overall employee remuneration. Total remuneration for employees (including the directors' remuneration) was HK\$33 million for the year (2023: HK\$33 million).

### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT**

The board of directors (the "Board") would like to present this Corporate Governance Report in the Group's annual report for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES**

The Company is committed to maintaining high standards of corporate governance in order to safeguard the interests of shareholders and to enhance corporate value and accountability.

In addition to adhering to the principles and code provisions in the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") contained in Appendix C1 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") (the "Listing Rules"), the Company has, based on the standards and experience of the Company, adopted its own Corporate Governance Manual (the "CG Manual") for reference by the Board and management of the Company and its subsidiaries to meet the code provisions as set out in the CG Code. A copy of the CG Manual is posted on the Company's website. In the opinion of the directors, the Company has complied with all code provisions as set out in the CG Code throughout the year ended 31 March 2024, save for the deviations for code provisions C.2.1 and C.5.1 which deviations are explained in the relevant parts of this report.

The Company will continue to review periodically the CG Manual and enhance its corporate governance practices to ensure the continuous compliance with the requirements of the CG Code.

# RESPONSIBILITIES, ACCOUNTABILITIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT

The Board is responsible for leadership and control of the Company and oversees the Group's businesses, strategic decisions and performance. The Board has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, and through him, to the senior management the authority and responsibility for the day-to-day management and operation of the Group. In addition, the Board has established Board committees and has delegated to these Board committees various responsibilities as set out in their respective terms of reference.

All directors have carried out their duties in good faith, in compliance with applicable laws and regulations and in the interests of the Company and its shareholders at all times.

#### **DELEGATION BY THE BOARD**

The Company has formalised and adopted written terms on the division of functions reserved to the Board and delegated to management.

The Board reserves for its decisions on all major matters of the Company, including the formulation and monitoring of all policies and directions, overall strategies and budgets, internal control and risk management systems, material transactions (in particular those may involve conflict of interests), financial information, appointment of directors and other significant financial and operational matters.

All directors have full and timely access to all relevant information as well as the advice and services of the Company Secretary, with a view to ensuring that Board procedures and all applicable rules and regulations are followed. Each director is normally able to seek independent professional advice in appropriate circumstances at the Company's expense, upon making request to the Board.

The day-to-day management, administration and operation of the Company are delegated to the Chief Executive Officer and the senior management. The delegated functions and work tasks are periodically reviewed. Approval has to be obtained from the Board prior to any significant transactions entered into by the abovementioned officers.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of the Company currently comprises the following directors:

#### **Executive Directors:**

Mr. CHAN William

(Chairman of the Board and the Nomination Committee, Chief Executive Officer)

Mr. LO Hoi Wah, Heywood

(Chief Financial Officer)

Mr. YIP Chun Kwok (resigned on 30 September 2023)

#### **Non-executive Director:**

Mr. NG Tak Kwan

#### **Independent Non-executive Directors:**

Mr. HO Kwok Wah, George

(Chairman of the Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee and member of the Nomination Committee)

Mr. TO King Yan, Adam

(Member of the Audit Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Nomination Committee)

Ms. KHAN Sabrina (appointed on 15 August 2023) (Member of the Audit Committee and the Remuneration Committee)

Mr. WONG Hoi Ki (resigned on 15 August 2023)

A brief description of the background of each director is presented on pages 36 to 37 of this annual report under the heading of "Profiles of Directors and Senior Management".

The list of directors (by category) is also disclosed in all corporate communications issued by the Company from time to time pursuant to the Listing Rules. The non-executive director and the independent non-executive directors are expressly identified in all corporate communications pursuant to the Listing Rules.

None of the members of the Board is related to one another.

#### **BOARD DIVERSITY POLICY**

The Company adopted a board diversity policy in accordance with the requirements set out in the code provisions of the CG Code. The Company recognises the benefits of having a diverse Board, and sees diversity at the Board level essential in achieving a sustainable and balanced development. In designing the Board's composition, board diversity has been considered from a number of aspects, including but not limited to gender, age, educational background, ethnicity, professional experience, skills, knowledge, industry experience and expertise. All Board appointments are based on meritocracy and considered against a variety of criteria, having due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board.

#### INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

During the year ended 31 March 2024, the Board at all times met the requirements of the Listing Rules relating to the appointment of at least three independent non-executive directors with at least one independent non-executive director possessing appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise. The Board has maintained, throughout the year ended 31 March 2024, the proportion of the independent non-executive directors to at least one-third of the Board.

The Company has received written annual confirmation from each independent non-executive director of his/her independence in accordance with the independence guidelines set out in Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules. The Company considers all such directors independent.

All directors, including the non-executive director and the independent non-executive directors, have brought a wide spectrum of valuable business experience, knowledge and professionalism to the Board for its efficient and effective functioning.

#### **CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Mr. Chan William ("Mr. Chan") has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer of the Company on 1 July 2012 and is now both the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company, and that the functions of the Chairman and the Chief Executive Officer in the Company's strategic planning and development process overlap. These constitute a deviation from code provision C.2.1 of the CG Code which stipulates that the roles of the Chairman and the Chief Executive should be separated and should not be performed by the same individual. However, in view of the present composition of the Board, the in-depth knowledge of Mr. Chan of the operations of the Group and of the property development and real estate/asset management business, his extensive business network and the scope of operations of the Group, the Board believes it is in the best interests of the Company for Mr. Chan to assume the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer at this time and that such arrangement be subject to review by the Board from time to time.

#### **DIRECTORS' APPOINTMENT AND RE-ELECTION**

Code provision B.2.2 of the CG Code stipulates that all directors shall be appointed for a specific term, subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years, whereas the articles of association of the Company states that all directors appointed to fill a casual vacancy shall be subject to election by shareholders at the first general meeting after appointment and that every director, including those appointed for a specific term, shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three years.

Each of the executive directors and the independent non-executive directors of the Company is engaged on a service agreement (for executive director) or letter of appointment (for independent non-executive director) for a term of 3 years and the non-executive director is engaged on a letter of appointment for a term of 1 year. All directors are subject to retirement by rotation once every three years.

# CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF DIRECTORS

Every newly appointed director will receive formal, comprehensive and tailored induction on the first occasion of his/her appointment to ensure appropriate understanding of the business and operations of the Company and full awareness of directors' responsibilities and obligations under the Listing Rules, common law and relevant statutory requirements.

The Company also provides regular updates and presentation on the business development of the Group. Directors are regularly briefed on the latest development of the Listing Rules and other applicable statutory and regulatory requirements to ensure compliance and upkeep of good corporate governance practices. All directors are encouraged by the Company to participate in continuous professional development to develop and refresh their professional knowledge and skills.

During the year ended 31 March 2024, the Company provides continuous professional training to directors through circulating the Stock Exchange and regulatory updates to directors, to enhance their awareness and compliance of good corporate governance practices as well as the relevant statutory and regulatory requirements.

# DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' LIABILITY INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY

The Company has arranged appropriate directors' and officers' liability insurance for its directors and officers covering the costs, losses, expenses and liabilities arising from the performance of their duties. The insurance policy covers legal action against its directors and officers arising out of corporate activities of the Group. During the year, no claim was made against the directors and officers of the Company.

#### **BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

#### **Board Practices and Conduct of Meetings**

Annual meeting schedules and draft agenda of each meeting are normally made available to directors in advance. Notices of regular Board meetings are served to all directors at least 14 days before the meetings. For other Board and committee meetings, reasonable notice is generally given.

Board papers together with all appropriate, complete and reliable information are sent to all directors at least 3 business days before each Board meeting or committee meeting to keep the directors apprised of the latest developments and financial position of the Company and to enable them to make informed decisions. The Board and each director also have separate and independent access to the senior management where necessary.

Draft and final versions of minutes are normally circulated to directors or the committee members for comments and records respectively within a reasonable time after each meeting. Minutes of Board meetings and committee meetings are kept by the Company Secretary or the duly appointed secretaries of the respective meetings (as the case may be) and are available for inspection by all directors at all reasonable time.

According to the current Board practice, any material transaction, which involves a conflict of interests for a substantial shareholder or a director, will be considered and dealt with by the Board at a duly convened Board meeting. The Company's articles of association contain provisions requiring directors to abstain from voting and not to be counted in the quorum at meetings for approving transactions in which such directors or any of their associates have a material interest.

#### **MODEL CODE FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions of the directors, senior management and relevant employees (who, because of their office or employment, is likely to possess inside information in relation to the Company or its securities) of the Group (the "Securities Code") with terms no less exacting than that of the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix C3 to the Listing Rules.

Having made specific enquiries, all of the directors and relevant employees of the Group confirmed that they have complied with the Securities Code and the Model Code throughout the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES**

The Board has established three committees, namely, the Remuneration Committee, the Nomination Committee and the Audit Committee, for overseeing particular aspects of the Company's affairs. All Board committees of the Company are established with defined written terms of reference which are in line with the CG Code. These terms of reference are posted on the Company's website and the Stock Exchange's website and are available to shareholders upon request. Board committees are provided with sufficient resources to discharge their duties and are required to report back to the Board on their decisions or recommendations.

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The Remuneration Committee comprises 3 members, all of them are independent non-executive directors.

The primary function of the Remuneration Committee is to assist the Board to oversee the Company's remuneration practices to ensure effective policies, processes and practices for compensating directors and the senior management/ heads of departments, and that the remuneration programs are fair and appropriate and managed with integrity and in compliance with the Listing Rules and other applicable rules and regulations. The Remuneration Committee is also responsible for determining the remuneration packages of individual executive directors and senior management and establishing formal and transparent procedures for developing such remuneration policy and structure to ensure that no director or any of his associates will participate in deciding his own remuneration, which remuneration will be determined by reference to the performance of the individual and the Company as well as market practice and conditions.

One meeting had been held by the Remuneration Committee during the year ended 31 March 2024; and the Remuneration Committee had recorded their decisions by passing written resolutions determining remuneration packages of the executive directors, the non-executive director and the independent non-executive directors.

Details of the Directors' remuneration are set out in note 10 to the consolidated financial statements. In addition, pursuant to the code provision E.1.5 of the CG Code, annual remuneration of other members of the senior management by bands for the year ended 31 March 2024 is set out below

#### **Remuneration Bands**

**Number of Individuals** 

HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000

#### **Nomination Committee**

The Nomination Committee comprises 3 members, the majority of them are independent non-executive directors. The Nomination Committee is provided with sufficient resources to discharge its responsibilities.

The terms of reference of the Nomination Committee setting out the committee's authorities and duties, which follow closely the guidelines of the code provisions of the CG Code, are available on the Company's website.

The principal duties of the Nomination Committee are as follows:

- to review the structure, size and composition (including skills, knowledge and experience) of the Board at least annually and make recommendations on any proposed changes to the Board to complement the Company's corporate strategy;
- (ii) to identify individuals suitably qualified to become the Board members and select or make recommendations to the Board on the selection of individuals nominated for directorships; and
- (iii) to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment or re-appointment of directors and succession planning for directors, in particular the chairman and the chief executive.

The above principal duties are regarded as the key nomination criteria and principles for the nomination of directors of the Company, which also form part of the nomination policy of the Company. In selecting and recommending candidates for directorship to the Board, the Nomination Committee would consider various aspects such as candidate's qualification, time commitment to the Company and contributions that will bring to the Board as well as factors concerning board diversity as set out in the Company's board diversity policy, before making recommendation to the Board on the appointment of directors.

The Nomination Committee is also responsible for assessing the independence of the independent non-executive directors.

Two meetings had been held by the Nomination Committee during the year ended 31 March 2024 which had reviewed the structure, size and composition of the Board and had discussed the appointment of director.

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#### **Audit Committee**

The Audit Committee comprises all the three independent nonexecutive directors with the chairman of which possesses the appropriate professional qualifications and accounting expertise. None of the committee members is a former partner of the Company's external auditors.

The Audit Committee is responsible for assisting the Board to review and supervise the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's financial reporting system, internal control systems and risk management system and associated procedures as well as the internal and external audit functions. It is also responsible for reviewing the completeness, accuracy, clarity and fairness of the Group's consolidated financial statements, considering the scope, approach and nature of both internal and external audit reviews and reviewing and monitoring connected transactions. It also reviews the arrangement to enable employees of the Group to raise concerns about possible improprieties. The Board shall in consultation with the chairman of the Audit Committee provide sufficient resources to enable the Audit Committee to discharge its duties. The Audit Committee annually assesses the appointment of the external auditors and reviews the interim and final results of the Group prior to recommending them to the Board for approval.

There were four Audit Committee meetings held during the year ended 31 March 2024. The Audit Committee has performed the following work during the year: (i) to review the financial reporting and compliance procedures; (ii) to review the annual results for the year ended 31 March 2023 and the interim results for the half year ended 30 September 2023; (iii) to meet with the external auditors in the absence of management; (iv) to review the risk management and internal control procedures of the Company; and (v) to consider the re-appointment of auditor and change of auditor.

The Company's annual results for the year ended 31 March 2024 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

#### **Corporate Governance**

The Board is responsible for performing the functions set out in the code part C of the CG Code.

During the year ended 31 March 2024, the Board reviewed its CG Manual, the Company's corporate governance policies and practices, training and continuous professional development of directors and senior management, the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, the compliance of the Model Code and Written Employee Guidelines, and the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in this Corporate Governance Report.

#### **Directors' Attendance Records**

Code provision C.5.1 of the CG Code stipulates that regular Board meetings should be held at least four times a year at approximately quarterly intervals. There were two Board meetings held during the year ended 31 March 2024, which were regular meetings held for (i) approving the final results for the year ended 31 March 2023, and (ii) approving the interim results for the period ended 30 September 2023. The Board considers that two regular meetings were sufficient to deal with matters of the Company. In addition, apart from the regular Board meetings, the Board also took sufficient measures to ensure there is efficient communication among directors that the Board shall also meet on other occasions or seek consent of Directors by circulating written resolutions when a Board-level decision on a particular matter is required.

The attendance record of each director at Board meetings, Audit Committee meetings, Nomination Committee meetings, Remuneration Committee meetings and general meetings of the Company held during the year ended 31 March 2024 is as follows:—

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	Attendance/Number of Meetings held during the tenure of directorship				
	Doord	Audit Committee	Nomination Committee	Remuneration	Annual
Name of Directors	Board Meeting	Meeting	Meeting	Committee Meeting	General Meeting
Executive Directors					
Chan William	2/2	N/A	2/2	N/A	1/1
Lo Hoi Wah, Heywood	2/2	N/A	N/A	N/A	1/1
Yip Chun Kwok					
(resigned on 30 September 2023)	1/1	N/A	N/A	N/A	1/1
Non-executive Director					
Ng Tak Kwan	2/2	N/A	N/A	N/A	1/1
Independent Non-executive Directors					
Ho Kwok Wah, George	2/2	4/4	2/2	1/1	1/1
To King Yan, Adam	2/2	4/4	N/A	1/1	1/1
Khan Sabrina					
(appointed on 15 August 2023)	1/1	3/3	N/A	N/A	1/1
Wong Hoi Ki					
(resigned on 15 August 2023)	1/1	1/1	2/2	1/1	N/A

Apart from regular Board meetings, the Chairman also held meeting with the independent non-executive directors of the Company without the presence of other directors during the year.

### DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2024.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, the directors have selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently, made judgements and estimates that are prudent, fair and reasonable and prepared the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

The directors are not aware of any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt upon the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

Management has provided to the Board such explanation and information as are necessary to enable the Board to carry out an informed assessment of the Group's consolidated financial statements, which are put to the Board for approval.

The statement of the external auditors of the Group about their reporting responsibilities for the consolidated financial statements is set out in the Section headed "Independent Auditor's Report" on page 45.

#### **AUDITORS' REMUNERATION**

The remuneration charged by the Company's external auditor in respect of audit services and non-audit services for the year ended 31 March 2024 is set out below:—

Category of Services	Fee Paid/Payable (HK\$)
Audit Services	1,000,000
Non-audit Services  – Tax compliance work  – Others	100,000 50,000
TOTAL	1,150,000

#### **DIVIDEND POLICY**

The Board has the discretion to declare and distribute dividends to the shareholders of the Company, subject to the articles of association of the Company and all applicable laws and regulations. In recommending or declaring dividends, the Company shall maintain adequate cash reserves for meeting its working capital requirements and future growth as well as its shareholder value. The Company has no fixed dividend payout ratio. The Board considers that, in general, the amount of dividends to be declared will depend on the Group's financial results, cash position, capital requirements, business conditions and strategies, and other factors as may be considered relevant at such time by the Board.

#### RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Board has overall responsibility for the Group's risk management and internal control systems and overseeing management in the design, implementation and monitoring of the risk management and internal control systems.

The Board is responsible for evaluating and determining the nature and extent of the risks it is willing to take in achieving the Group's strategic objectives, and ensuring that the Group establishes and maintains appropriate and effective risk management and internal control systems. The Board is also responsible for reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems, including the adequacy of resources, staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Group's accounting, internal audit and financial reporting functions.

During the year ended 31 March 2024, the Board has engaged an external consultant to perform certain internal control review services and has discussed the scope of work with the external consultant. The Board considers the scope of work to be adequate given the size and complexity of the Group's operations and the Group's risk appetite. For the year ended 31 March 2024, the external consultant has assisted the Group to perform a review of the effectiveness of internal control systems for certain selected processes. The review results and proposed improvement opportunities were discussed and agreed with the management and were reported to the Audit Committee.

The Board has adopted the risk management policy as established by management of the Group, which, together with the Group's internal control systems, are designed to manage the risk of failure to achieve business objectives and provide reasonable but not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Group's risk management and internal control systems consist of the following main features:

Risk appetite – The Group has established a risk appetite statement that defines the extent of risks that the Group is willing to take in pursuit of its strategic and business objectives. It represents a balance between the potential benefits of business pursuits and the possible threats from the actions.

Risk governance structure – Clear roles and responsibilities are assigned to different levels of management within the Group. The Board sets the tone and provides guidance and governance over risk management. Senior Management is delegated with the responsibility to provide an assessment on the adequacy and effectiveness of the risk management process, as well as review, evaluate and challenge the risks identification and management processes. Risk owners ensure that the risk monitoring and internal control systems are working effectively and risk mitigation actions and internal controls are implemented.

Risk management process – A robust risk management process comprising risk identification, risk analysis, risk evaluation and risk treatment has been established to ensure that the top risks that the Group are facing are monitored and treated on an on-going basis. Risk assessment parameters are developed and applied consistently across the Group to evaluate and prioritise risks. Risk register that sets out the particulars of the Group's top risks together with the control measures is maintained by the Group.

Risk escalation process – Risks that exceed the risk tolerance level set by the Board are escalated to the Board to ensure further risk mitigation actions are taken timely.

The Board delegates the responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems to the Audit Committee which monitors the Group's risk management and internal control systems.

The Audit Committee reviews the effectiveness of the Group's internal control procedures and is satisfied that the Group's internal control processes are adequate to meet the business needs of the Group. The Board considers that the risk management and internal control systems of the Group are effective and adequate. The Board is monitoring the risk management and internal control systems on an ongoing basis.

For the handling and dissemination of inside information, an inside information handling policy is in place to enable the Group to handle inside information and, where required, communicate with the Group's stakeholders in a timely manner.

#### **COMPANY SECRETARY**

Mr. Lui Man Kit ("Mr. Lui") has been appointed as the Company Secretary of the Company in July 2021. Mr. Lui has taken no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training during the financial year ended 31 March 2024.



The Company considers that effective and ongoing communication with shareholders is essential for enhancing investor relations and investor's understanding of the Group's business performance and strategies. The Company also recognises the importance of transparency and timely disclosure of corporate information, which will enable shareholders and investors to evaluate the performance of the Group.

The general meetings of the Company provide a forum for communication between the Board and the shareholders. The Chairman of the Board, all independent non-executive directors, and the Chairmen of all Board committees (or their delegates) will make themselves available to answer questions at shareholders' meetings.

The Company also communicates with the shareholders, investors and general public through the annual reports, interim reports and other corporate announcements.

To promote effective communication, the Company maintains a website at http://www.rykadan.com, where up-to-date information and updates on the Company's structure, board of directors, business developments and operations, financial information, corporate governance practices and other information are posted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2024, there is no change in the Company's constitutional documents.

An up-to-date version of the Company's constitutional documents are also available on the Company's website and the Stock Exchange's website.

#### **SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS**

The Board and management shall ensure shareholders' rights and all shareholders are treated equally and fairly. Pursuant to the articles of association of the Company, any shareholder entitled to attend and vote at a general meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint another person as his/her proxy to attend and vote instead of him/her.

To safeguard the shareholders' interests and rights, a separate resolution should be proposed for each substantially separate issue at shareholders' meetings, including the election of individual directors. All resolutions put forward at shareholders' meetings will be voted on by poll pursuant to the Listing Rules and poll results will be posted on the websites of the Company and of the Stock Exchange after each shareholders' meeting.

### Convening an Extraordinary General Meeting by Shareholders

Shareholder(s) holding not less than one-tenth of the paid-up capital of the Company carrying the right of voting at general meetings of the Company shall have the right, by written requisition to the Board or the Company Secretary, to require an extraordinary general meeting to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition pursuant to the articles of association of the Company.

#### **Putting Forward Proposals at General Meetings**

There are no provisions in the Company's articles of association or the Cayman Islands Companies Law for shareholders to move new resolutions at general meetings. Shareholders who wish to move a resolution may request the Company to convene a general meeting in accordance with the procedures set out in the preceding paragraph.

#### **Putting Forward Enquiries to the Board**

For putting forward any enquiries to the Board of the Company, shareholders may send written enquiries to the Company.

Note: The Company will not normally deal with verbal or anonymous enquiries.

#### **Contact Details**

Shareholders may send their enquiries or requests as mentioned above to the following:

Address: Rooms 2701 and 2801, Rykadan Capital Tower,

135 Hoi Bun Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong (For the attention of the Chairman of the Board/Chief

Executive Officer/Company Secretary)

Fax: (852) 2547 0108

For the avoidance of doubt, shareholders must deposit and send the original duly signed written requisition, notice or statement, or enquiry (as the case may be) to the above address and provide their full name, contact details and identification in order to give effect thereto. Shareholders' information may be disclosed as required by law.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE REPORT**

The Board of Directors ("the Board") would like to present this Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") report (the "Report" or "ESG Report") of Rykadan Capital Limited (hereinafter referred to as "Rykadan" or the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively, referred to as the "Group"), covering the period from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024, to demonstrate our efforts in managing our environmental and social impacts.

#### 1. ABOUT THIS REPORT

#### 1.1 Overview

This ESG Report is prepared based on the Environmental, Social and Governance Reporting Guide ("ESG Reporting Guide") in Appendix C2 to

the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange"). An index table aligning the report content with the ESG guide requirements has been included in Appendix I of this report for reference.

#### 1.2 Reporting Principles

When preparing the Report, we adhered to the reporting principles of materiality, quantitative, balance and consistency according to the ESG Reporting Guide with the purpose of presenting quantifiable, clear and comparable information and responding to the ESG issues of concern to our stakeholders.

Principles		The Group's response
Materiality	The threshold at which ESG issues determined by the Board are sufficiently important to investors and other stakeholders that they should be reported.	The Group has identified and assessed the ESG issues that are critical to stakeholders after continuous engagement with stakeholders and full consideration of the business strategy and operations.
Quantitative	Key performance indicators (KPIs) in respect of historical data need to be measurable. The issuer should set targets to reduce a particular impact. In this way the effectiveness of ESG policies and management systems can be evaluated and validated. Quantitative information should be accompanied by a narrative, explaining its purpose, impacts, and giving comparative data where appropriate.	The Group has disclosed quantitative information of the year in the Report whenever possible and provided textual explanations so that stakeholders could clearly understand the ESG performance of the Group.
Balance	The ESG report should provide an unbiased picture of the issuer's performance. The report should avoid selections, omissions, or presentation formats that may inappropriately influence a decision or judgment by the report reader.	The Group has fully disclosed its ESG performance and avoided expressions that may inappropriately influence decisions or judgment made by readers.
Consistency	The issuer should use consistent methodologies to allow for meaningful comparisons of ESG data over time.	The Group ensures that the reporting scope and methodologies are largely consistent every year.

#### 1.3 Scope of the Report

This ESG Report provides information on the ESG policies and initiatives of our property development and investment activities, which include asset, investment, and fund management. It also covers our involvement in the distribution of construction and interior decorative materials. Our company is headquartered in Hong Kong, and our property projects are located in Hong Kong, the United States of America (the "U.S.A."), and the United Kingdom (the "U.K."). The distribution of construction and interior decorative materials business is mainly conducted in Hong Kong and Mainland China at our head office and mainland offices. Other investments (i.e. Quarella Holdings Limited and RS Hospitality Private Limited) are excluded from this Report since we do not have direct control over the business operation of these investments.

This ESG Report covers environmental and social key performance indicators (KPIs) related to our head office in Hong Kong. In terms of property development, we also disclose the environmental and social performance of our contractors who carry out construction activities at the project sites. This allows us to capture the ESG impact of our projects. Properties that are not under construction or managed by the Group are excluded from the ESG data disclosure, as their consumption and impact are neglectable. The following list summarises our real estate investments and indicates the inclusion status of their ESG data in this Report:

Region	Investment	Status as at 31 March 2024	ESG Data	Remarks
Hong Kong	Wong Chuk Hang Project	Completed	Υ	Being marketed to buyers
	Jaffe Road Project	Completed	Υ	Being marketed to buyers
	2702, 2802, 2803, 2804 and various car parking spaces of Rykadan Capital Tower	Completed	N	Classified as investment properties
	Various car parking spaces of Rykadan Capital Tower	Completed	N	Classified as properties for sales
	Shouson Hill Project	-	N	Classified as investment properties
The U.S.A.	Winston Project	Completed	N	Being marketed to buyers
	Monterey Park Towne Centre Project	Under planning	N	-
	Anoakia Project	Completed	Υ	Expected to be handed over in May 2024
	Broadway Project	Under planning	Ν	-
The U.K.	Graphite Square Project	Under construction	N	Expected to be completed in January 2025

#### 2. OUR ESG APPROACH

#### 2.1 ESG management and governance

Rykadan acknowledges the significance of fulfilling corporate social responsibility and views it as a fundamental pillar for our sustainable development. In the course of our daily operations, we strive to seamlessly integrate diverse environmental and social factors into our business practices whenever viable. This proactive approach empowers us to meet applicable regulatory requirements while effectively mitigating any adverse effects on the environment and society. By diligently focusing on ESG factors, we consistently assess and refine our performance, demonstrating a responsible approach that aligns our business objectives with ethical and societal practices.

We employ a comprehensive approach to effectively manage ESG issues, ensuring that sustainability principles are ingrained in every aspect of our operations and decision-making processes. The Board and senior management assume responsibility for overseeing ESG matters, evaluating their significant impact on stakeholders, identifying associated risks and opportunities, and reviewing and approving annual ESG reports to disclose the Group's performance in this area. With the Board's leadership, relevant departments within the Group are entrusted with supervising the implementation of ESG measures and initiatives, collecting ESG-related information and data, and providing regular progress updates to the Board. Through this management approach, the Board exercises enhanced control and oversight over ESG issues, fostering continuous improvement in ESG management practices throughout the Group.

### 2.2 Stakeholder engagement and materiality assessment

We actively engage in regular and meaningful communication with our stakeholders through various channels, actively soliciting their input and feedback regarding our ESG initiatives. By doing so, we aim to fully understand and address their demands and expectations. Taking their input into consideration, we identify and prioritise key ESG issues that hold significant relevance to our business operations. Based on this assessment, we develop an ESG work plan that effectively manages these issues. Through continuous enhancements in our sustainable performance and collaborative efforts with stakeholders, we actively seek to achieve mutually beneficial and win-win outcomes.

In accordance with the reporting principle of materiality, we conducted stakeholder interviews as part of the materiality assessment process. This enabled us to gain valuable insights into the relevance and importance of ESG issues for our business.

#### **Identification**

 With reference to the ESG reporting Guide and based on our business characteristics, as list of ESG issues relevant to our business was identified.

#### **Prioritisation**

 The ranking and prioritastion of ESG issues were carried out through interviews, consdering their impact on both the Group and stakeholders.

#### **Validation**

 The prioritised issues were reviewed and finalised by the management. In 2024, a materiality review was conducted to ensure that the identified ESG issues were applicable to our operations. The results of the materiality assessment are as follows:

Material issues	Relevance to our business
Product responsibility	Recognising the utmost importance of product responsibility as property developers, we are fully committed to enhancing the quality of our offerings. We place a high priority on responsible practices throughout the design and construction process of our properties, ensuring that they meet the needs of our users. This includes incorporating features such as proper ventilation and ample natural light penetration within the buildings. For further details on our commitment to product responsibility, please refer to Section 3.1 Securing Product and Service Quality.
Health and safety	We are committed to establishing a secure and healthy work environment, placing occupational health and safety at the forefront of our priorities. In order to achieve this, we proactively address and mitigate health and safety risks within both our office operations and construction sites. Regular drills for evacuation and emergency procedures are conducted to raise employees' awareness of safety and ensure that occupational health and safety standards are upheld. Additionally, we actively encourage our contractors to strive for a zero-accident goal across all our construction sites. For further details on our comprehensive approach to health and safety, please refer to Section 4.2 Occupational Health and Safety.
Supply chain management	Efficient management of our supply chain is vital for the advancement of our business, as it involves the delivery of high-quality products by our construction contractors and decorative material suppliers to our esteemed customers. We prioritise the evaluation of the ESG performance of our contractors and suppliers, along with their adherence to relevant laws and regulations, to ensure responsible practices throughout our supply chain. For further details on our approaches and initiatives in supply chain management, please refer to Section 3.3 Supply Chain Management.
Anti-corruption	At the Group, we are dedicated to maintaining the utmost levels of ethics and integrity. We strictly adhere to applicable laws and regulations and have implemented rigorous measures to prevent bribery, money laundering, fraud, corruption, and other illicit activities. We maintain a zero-tolerance stance towards such behaviours within our own operations, as well as among our suppliers and contractors. For further details on our anti-corruption initiatives, please refer to Section 3.2 Anti-corruption.
Climate change and GHG emissions	We acknowledge the growing and tangible influence of climate change on our operations, specifically in terms of the potential disruptions caused by extreme weather events to our property construction and distribution logistics. As a result, we work closely with our business partners to establish emergency plans that are strategically devised to mitigate the impact of climate-related disruptions and enable timely and efficient responses. For further details on our initiatives pertaining to climate change mitigation and emissions control, please refer to Section 5.2 Responding to Climate Change and Section 5.3 Emissions and Regulatory Compliance.

#### 3. OPERATING PRACTICE

#### 3.1 Securing product and service quality

We firmly believe that our ability to provide exceptional products to our customers is crucial for our success, profitability, and continuous expansion. This directly influences the perception of our brand. Therefore, we are committed to continuously improving our products and services to meet the ever-changing expectations of our esteemed customers. During the year under review, we did not receive any complaints regarding the quality of our products and services.

#### Property development

To excel in the property development industry, it is crucial for us to offer our customers access to meticulously crafted and high-quality residential and commercial spaces. We understand our role as a property developer and recognise the significant impact our business can have on the community. Therefore, when planning our projects, we consciously consider the needs and preferences of our customers. Our goal is to not only meet but surpass their expectations by providing designs that are user-friendly whenever possible.

The safety of our buildings is a top priority, and we strictly adhere to local regulations governing building designs, which encompass essential elements such as fire safety measures and other necessary provisions. Additionally, we carefully evaluate the economic feasibility of our projects and incorporate resource-efficient and environmentally friendly features into our buildings. As a testament to our commitment to sustainability, the Jaffe Road project in Hong Kong has received the BEAM Plus Unclassified Rating, a green building certification, for its eco-friendly design and operations.

We comply with government regulations and industry guidelines, including the Consent Scheme of the Hong Kong Lands Department and the self-regulatory regime of the Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong. As part of our ethical approach, we prohibit any form of exaggeration in our marketing and communication materials for our redeveloped properties, to ensure that our marketing activities reflect complete transparency and accuracy.

### Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials

We mainly source construction and interior decorative materials from Quarella, an internationally renowned brand. To ensure a high level of safety and compliance with local laws and regulations regarding the environment and society, Quarella follows rigorous quality control and safety testing procedures throughout its production processes. Our dedication to prioritising health and safety is reflected in our provision of customers with essential training and guidance on safety precautions when handling construction and interior decorative materials upon purchasing our products. This assistance effectively reduces potential health hazards related to dust that may be generated during cutting and installation activities.

In our pursuit of utmost customer satisfaction, we intensify our efforts to effectively engage with customers. We maintain communication through diverse channels such as phone calls, emails, and face-to-face meetings. By increasing our interaction and actively gathering feedback, our goal is to continuously improve the quality of our products and services, meeting the evolving needs and expectations of our customers. Simultaneously, we have established well-defined policies and procedures to address customer complaints in an efficient manner, ensuring the protection of their legitimate rights and interests. We prioritise resolving any issues promptly and effectively to maintain customer satisfaction.

Regarding customer privacy, we strictly adhere to relevant regulations, including the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486), in all our operations. We have strict protocols in place to prevent unauthorised disclosure of proprietary information and uphold the confidentiality of customer data.

#### Regulatory compliance

During the year under review, we were not aware of any material non-compliance with laws and regulations related to health and safety, advertising, labelling and privacy matters.

#### 3.2 Anti-corruption

Rykadan is dedicated to conducting business in strict accordance with the highest ethical principles and has a strong stance against any form of illegal or unethical conduct. Our operations strictly adhere to applicable laws, regulations, and rules to uphold ethics and integrity. To promote a culture of ethical behaviour, we have implemented the Code of Ethics and Conduct Policy as well as the Whistleblowing Policy. These policies provide comprehensive guidelines to our employees, helping them identify and eliminate situations involving bribery, extortion, fraud, money laundering, and conflicts of interest.

Rykadan strictly prohibits employees from soliciting or accepting anything of monetary value from suppliers, clients, or any other individuals associated with our business. To ensure compliance with this policy, all directors and employees are obligated to sign the Code of Conduct, taking personal responsibility for their actions. Any violations of compliance will be subject to appropriate disciplinary measures, which may include summary dismissal.

Raising awareness is a crucial aspect of our approach to maintaining compliant business operations. We empower our staff by offering a series of anticorruption training programs, which encompass topics like Potential Changes and Anti-corruption under the Environmental, Social and Governance Framework, Anti-Money Laundering (AML) findings and recommended practices for practice units, as well as Regulatory Requirements on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) for Discretionary operations. Directors, in particular, are provided with the materials that cover various topics, including AML, CFT, virtual banking, customer due diligence. The trainings also incorporate relevant cases from the Securities and Futures Commission (SFC). To instil a culture of respect for business ethics across the entire company, the Board regularly communicates ethical standards and policy updates to all employees via email and during meetings, ensuring that everyone is well-informed and updated regarding ethical guidelines and any changes that may arise.

To ensure accountability and transparency within the Group, we actively encourage both employees and external stakeholders to report any potential compliance violations. These reports may include instances of improper behaviour such as crimes, fraud, bribery, corruption, violations of the Code of Conduct, or unauthorised activities for personal gain. Our Whistleblowing Policy provides comprehensive guidelines on reporting procedures, channels for whistleblowing, and requirements for maintaining confidentiality. Reporters have the option to utilise our Whistleblowing Hotline to report violations or express concerns, either verbally or in writing, to the head of the human resources department. When potential compliance violations are reported, management or the Audit Committee takes responsibility for conducting thorough investigations. Depending on the seriousness and sensitivity of the case, it may be referred to police or other relevant authorities for further action. At Rykadan, we place a strong emphasis on protecting whistleblowers. We ensure the confidentiality of their identities and personal information, safeguarding them from any form of retaliation or victimisation.

#### Regulatory Compliance

During the year under review, we were not aware of any material non-compliance relating to bribery, extortion, fraud and money laundering.

#### 3.3 Supply chain management

An essential factor in driving the sustainable growth of the Group is the establishment of a sustainable supply chain. Rykadan is committed to complying with all relevant laws and regulations and taking proactive measures to ensure the stability and compliance of its supply chain. We give significant importance to identifying, evaluating, and managing environmental and social risks within our supply chain to encourage sustainable practices. We regularly evaluate and assess the performance of our suppliers, reinforcing our commitment to responsible and ethical business practices.

We have developed comprehensive guidelines that apply to all procurement and tendering activities. These guidelines emphasise that the selection and sourcing of services and goods should be based on factors such as price, quality, necessity, and other relevant considerations. We prioritise the selection of building materials that are sourced locally or from nearby regions to minimise carbon emissions resulting from transportation. We also evaluate suppliers based on their ESG performance, with focus on their compliance with regulations related to the environment, employment practices, health, and safety, make sure that our suppliers align with our sustainability objectives and adhere to responsible business practices.

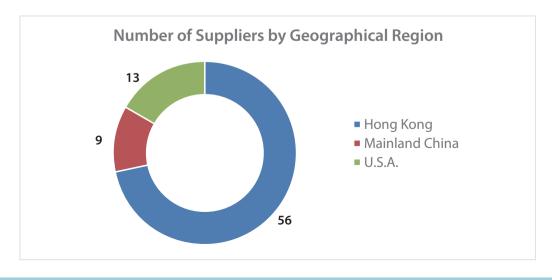
To ensure openness and fairness, we have implemented transparent procedures for procurement and tendering. We place great emphasis on adhering to external regulations and oversight, closely monitoring our suppliers, and strictly prohibiting any form of bribery. To ensure that suppliers maintain appropriate and compliant behaviour, we have established a robust monitoring system and implemented management controls to identify and prevent instances of bribery, fraud, or other misconduct that may occur during the procurement and tendering processes.

We also maintain strict regulations for internal management and processes, which is crucial for both directors and employees to strictly adhere to the guidelines outlined in the Code of Ethics and Conduct Policy in order to avoid any potential conflicts of interest. Exploiting any information obtained from the company for personal gain is

strictly prohibited. Additionally, employees involved in the procurement process, including supplier and contractor selection and purchasing, must refrain from abusing their authority or engaging in any activities that could hinder their ability to make unbiased decisions.

With regard to property construction business, we engage in partnerships with well-established contractors who have a proven record of addressing environmental issues while providing top-notch services. The adherence of our contractors to legal requirements is a vital consideration for us when evaluating potential collaborations. To ensure compliance with regulations, we closely monitor the on-site health, safety, and environmental practices of our contractors. We maintain a record of any breaches or deviations from legal requirements for future assessments and evaluations.

For the distribution of construction and interior decorative materials business, we prioritise not only product quality but also the assessment and monitoring of suppliers' ESG performance. For instance, for Quarella (of which we own 43.5% stake), we implement thinner blades in their production process to reduce energy consumption and material waste. We also choose stone-cutting factories near ports or job sites to minimise transportation distances and fuel usage. Additionally, we track the consumption of office supplies meeting specific environmental criteria, utilising certifications from reputable third parties. By analysing consumption data, we evaluate our sustainable procurement performance and identify opportunities to source even more sustainable products.



#### 3.4 Protection of intellectual property rights

We demonstrate our commitment to upholding a robust legal framework for intellectual property rights and maintain strict compliance with applicable laws and regulations. We recognise it as our responsibility to contribute to the protection of intellectual property rights and, as such, prohibit any actions that may infringe upon these rights. We prioritise the use of authorised software in our business operations and strictly prohibit the use or installation of pirated software. Additionally, we stipulate that the Company possesses the rights to use, own, and transfer finished products, reports, file systems, computer software, programming, and other intellectual property that are researched, developed, improved, designed, written, edited, created, or manufactured by employees during their employment.

#### 4. EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR PRACTICES

#### 4.1 Employment

Rykadan deeply values and acknowledges the importance of each employee, embracing a peopleoriented management approach. We prioritise strict compliance with labour laws and regulations to ensure the constant respect and protection of our employees' rights and interests. Our Employee Handbook outlines transparent guidelines for various aspects of employment, including recruitment, performance assessment, welfare, and termination to ensure that our management practices are sturdy and efficient. We are committed to fostering an open and inclusive work environment for our employees, providing them with the necessary resources to pursue their career aspirations. We prioritise the well-being and safety of our employees, aiming for the mutually beneficial development of both the individuals and the company as a whole.

#### Recruitment

We strive to establish a fair and impartial environment for all employees, ensuring a transparent and unbiased recruitment process. To attract highly qualified individuals for job vacancies, we utilise various recruitment channels, including internal promotions, employee referrals, talent pools, printed media, recruitment websites, and agencies. Throughout the recruitment process, we evaluate candidates based on their education, professional qualifications, job knowledge, experience, skills, and relevant competencies for the role.

Our recruitment process encompasses various stages to ensure a thorough assessment of candidates. Initially, our human resources and administration teams screen applications. Telephone interviews may be conducted as a preliminary evaluation, followed by in-person interviews with department managers. Our selection process adheres to evaluation criteria and involves two rounds of interviews. Additionally, specific positions may require candidates to complete a written test, as determined by department heads. These steps enable us to select the most qualified individuals who meet our rigorous standards and align with our expectations for the role.

#### Performance appraisal and promotion

Rykadan places significant emphasis on talent management, utilising a comprehensive performance appraisal system to streamline human resources management and effectively motivate employees. Rykadan Performance Appraisal Policy outlines clear objectives, principles, approaches, and procedures to help maximise individual value and leverage the full potential of incentives.

To ensure the efficacy of our performance assessments, we adhere to the SMART principles: specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and timely. Employees receive constructive feedback from their immediate supervisors, engaging in interactive communication regarding their abilities, attitudes, work results, and other relevant factors. The outcomes of the performance appraisal serve as a reference for decisions involving salary increments, bonus allocation, promotions, job rotations, training and development opportunities, and other relevant considerations.

We cherish the provision of timely and comprehensive feedback and guidance to employees throughout the performance management process. We encourage direct supervisors to engage in personal discussions with their employees to review performance appraisal results and collaboratively explore avenues for improvement. Additionally, to foster mutual understanding and communication, we conduct assessments for probationary staff during the probation period and for permanent or contract staff within a year or specific employment period.

#### Development and training

Rykadan firmly believes that the provision of ample training resources is crucial for both the company's success and the personal development of our employees. We have cultivated an open environment that fosters growth opportunities and supports individuals in achieving their career aspirations. We actively promote employee participation in both internal and external training programs to enhance their skills and competitiveness. Internally, we organise on-thejob training to ensure continuous learning and improvement of knowledge and skills among our employees. Externally, we encourage our staff to explore training opportunities outside the company, enabling them to stay updated with the latest industry trends and advance their professional growth.

To further support these endeavours, we have implemented an Education Sponsorship and Allowance Scheme. Through this scheme, we provide financial sponsorship and grant paid leaves to encourage employees to participate in external training courses related to their job responsibilities. Each employee is eligible for sponsorship of up to HK\$6,000 per year, specifically allocated for jobrelated training courses or professional seminars. Additionally, employees are granted up to 3 days of examination leave annually to support their educational pursuits.

Percentage of employees trained category	Unit	Offices	Property development <sup>1</sup>
Management	%	80.00%	100%
Non-management	%	29.41%	100%
Male	%	75.00%	100%
Female	%	21.43%	100%

Average training hours by employee category	Unit	Offices	Property development
Management	Hour	17.30	5.00
Non-management	Hour	4.29	1.00
Male	Hour	13.00	1.00
Female	Hour	3.96	2.80

Reported property development employees are all hired by contractors.

#### Remuneration and welfare

Rykadan has implemented a remuneration management system that upholds principles of fairness, transparency, and reasonableness. To retain and motivate employees, we offer compensation and welfare packages that are fair and responsible, which are annual reviewed based on the factors such as job position, experience, performance, the Company's overall performance and market conditions.

Our full-time employees enjoy a range of fringe benefits, which are clearly outlined in our Employee Handbook. These benefits encompass medical insurance coverage, long service payment, and various types of leave, including marriage leave, paternity leave, compassionate leave, and birthday leave. To ensure that employees are appropriately compensated for overtime work, we have established explicit procedures stated in the Employee Handbook. For every four hours of overtime worked, employees are entitled to a half-day holiday, along with meal and traffic allowances.

In addition, we organise annual recreational activities to foster a sense of community and strengthen corporate unity. These activities contribute to employees' overall happiness and sense of belonging, cultivating a friendly and harmonious working environment.

#### Labour Standards

We are committed to upholding fair labour standards and strictly adhere to local labour regulations, including the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57 of the Laws of Hong Kong), the Labour Law of the People's Republic of China, and the Fair Labour Standards Act of the U.S.A.

We have a zero-tolerance policy towards any form of discrimination, physical or verbal harassment, within the workplace. Our hiring approach is fair and unbiased, without consideration of race, gender, sexual orientation, family status, colour, religion, age, disability, or pregnancy. Guidelines addressing these issues are included in our Employee Handbook to raise employee awareness. We encourage all employees to remain vigilant and report any violations to the appropriate department. Depending on the severity and sensitivity of the case, individuals engaging in inappropriate behaviour will be disciplined accordingly, and in severe cases, may be reported to the police.

Additionally, we do not tolerate child labour and forced labour. We conduct thorough reference checks to verify the accuracy of candidates' identification documents and other information. In our collaborations with suppliers and contractors, we select companies with reputable track records and established monitoring mechanisms to ensure compliance with labour regulations.

#### Regulatory compliance

During the year under review, we were not aware of any material non-compliance with laws and regulations relating to employment and labour standards.

	Total Workforce		Employee turnover rate (%)	
Employment statistics (As at 31 March 2024)	Offices	Property development <sup>2</sup>	Offices	
Total	22	11	22.73%	
By gender				
Male	8	6	12.50%	
Female	14	5	28.57%	
By age group				
Below 30	4	2	25.00%	
31-50	13	3	15.38%	
Above 50	5	6	40.00%	
By employment type				
Permanent	22	11	18.18%	
Contract/Part-time	0	0	N/A	
By geographical location				
Hong Kong	19	0	26.32%	
Mainland China	1	0	0.00%	
The U.S.A.	2	11	0.00%	

#### 4.2 Occupational health and safety

As a responsible organisation, Rykadan takes great care of employees' health and safety. We adhere to relevant laws and regulations, ensuring occupational health and safety at property development projects as well as our office operations.

#### Property development

As the project manager overseeing our property development business, we exercise great care in selecting contractors for construction works. Our preference is to collaborate with established contractors who possess extensive experience in safely and successfully completing projects. To ensure safety standards are maintained throughout our projects, we periodically request up-to-date health and safety information from our contractors. Any significant incidents or safety violations reported are noted and considered when making future tendering decisions.

#### Offices

We are dedicated to ensuring a safe and secure working environment within our offices. To create a comfortable and healthy workspace, we regularly clean the ventilation system and maintain appropriate air-conditioning temperatures. Our offices undergo regular disinfection to safeguard employee health and promote a clean and comfortable working environment. Additionally, we provide hand sanitizers and other sanitary products, encouraging employees to prioritise personal hygiene and maintain their well-being.

Furthermore, we offer employees the option to work from home and have flexible working hours to support their physical and mental health and to promote a conducive work-life balance. We also implement various measures to prevent accidents, such as regular maintenance of first aid kits and fire extinguishers, and annual evacuation and escape exercises.

Reported property development employees are all hired by contractors.

Health and Safety	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Offices				
Total number of fatal cases arising from work accidents	No. of case	0	0	0
Total number of injury cases arising from work accidents	No. of case	0	0	0
Total number of lost working days due to injuries	Day	0	0	0
Property development				
Total number of fatal cases arising from work accidents	No. of case	0	0	0
Total number of injury cases arising from work accidents	No. of case	0	2	0
Total number of lost working days due to injuries	Day	0	0	0

#### Regulatory compliance

During the year under review, we were not aware of any material non-compliance with laws and regulations by the Group relating to occupational health and safety.

#### 5. ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

#### 5.1 Our commitment and targets

We adhere to all applicable environmental laws and regulations, integrating green and sustainable principles into our operational management practices. Our dedication lies in enhancing resource efficiency, minimising our environmental footprint through ongoing evaluations, and fortifying our environmental protection measures. Furthermore, as we strive to enhance our own environmental performance, we actively collaborate with our suppliers to improve their environmental, social, and governance practices, thus extending our impact beyond the Group.

#### Property development

In our property development business, we persistently advocate for sustainable development principles by implementing responsible "design and build" practices and ensuring compliance with emission regulations. We actively collaborate with our service providers, such as architects, engineers, and contractors, to incorporate environmentally responsible considerations at every stage of the design, construction, and operation processes.

### Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials

Our distribution of construction and interior decorative materials primarily takes place within our offices, resulting in minimal electricity and water consumption. We outsource other operations such as sub-contracting and logistics to third-party service providers. In order to mitigate the environmental impact of our operations, particularly emissions stemming from our suppliers' plant operations and logistics, we actively encourage our suppliers to enhance resource and energy efficiency and adopt environmentally friendly practices.

#### Offices

We actively promote the concept of green office and remain vigilant about resource utilisation and energy consumption throughout our office operations. We take appropriate measures to conserve water, electricity, and minimise waste generation, thereby creating a low-carbon and energy-efficient office environment. Environmental protection principles are seamlessly integrated into our daily work routine. For instance, we utilise energy-saving standby mode devices in the office, optimise travel routes for business trips to reduce carbon footprint, replace unnecessary travel with online meetings, and introduce virtual reality (VR) presentations of flats in our showroom to reduce carbon emissions.

#### 5.2 Responding to climate change

Climate change represents a significant global challenge, with the increasing occurrence of extreme weather events and rising sea levels. Addressing climate change has become an urgent priority. We recognise that climate change can have various impacts on our business operations, including the potential disruption of construction sites and project schedules due to extreme weather events. Consequently, we proactively assess the potential risks associated with climate change and implement appropriate management measures to ensure the long-term sustainability of our company.

During the project design phase, in order to effectively prevent and control the risks posed by climate change, we strictly follow regulatory guidelines to ensure that our buildings are in the right location and structure to be less affected by climate change. In addition, we are proactively exploring environmentally friendly indoor and outdoor building materials, as well as the use of renewable energy, integrating the concept of sustainability into design concepts and vigorously promoting the use of green buildings in order to significantly improve the resilience to climate change.

During the project construction phase, physical risks such as typhoons, floods and other extreme weather conditions and natural disasters may affect our upstream material production and transportation, causing delays in construction projects. Therefore, before the start of the construction work, we discussed contingency plans with contractors in case

of extreme weather events during the construction process. Besides, we have also strengthened our daily efforts to identify hidden hazards and carry out comprehensive inspections of construction facilities to ensure site safety. Furthermore, we have developed safety policies on information communication and hazard investigation to ensure timely sharing of disaster information and further strengthen our climate change response capability.

In addition, when a typhoon or rainstorm is forecasted, we will activate the emergency policy stated in the Staff Handbook and issue an internal notice to all staff to plan ahead for work arrangements in times of extreme weather, for example, staff may leave work early when a typhoon signal or rainstorm warning is expected to be hoisted or issued. Moreover, management will also keep a constant watch on the latest development of extreme weather to ensure the orderly operation of the Company.

Regarding transition risks, we anticipate encountering more stringent environmental protection regulations and stricter climate disclosure requirements imposed by regulators. These developments are expected to escalate compliance costs and heighten the risk of litigation for businesses. Therefore, we are committed to enhancing our compliance management systems and implementing timely improvements in accordance with compliance requirements. Our aim is to enhance our environmental management performance and effectively address these evolving regulatory demands.

C	Greenhouse gas emissions (Office) <sup>3</sup>	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
	Offices – Scope 14	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	_	4,741	326
	Offices – Scope 2⁵	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	20,452	21,813	21,691
	Offices – Scope 3 <sup>6</sup>	kg CO <sub>s</sub> e	_	5,620	5,963

Greenhouse gas emissions (Property development) <sup>7</sup>	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Property development – Scope 14	kg CO₂e	-	_	0
Property development – Scope 2 <sup>5</sup>	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e	_	_	544,147
Property development – Greenhouse gas emissions intensity	kg CO <sub>2</sub> e/square feet	-	-	9.15

Scope 1, 2 and 3 greenhouse gas emissions only cover emissions generated from Hong Kong head office. Emission factor used for greenhouse gas emissions calculations are taken from Appendix 2: Reporting Guidance on Environmental KPIs from the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong.

Scope 1 emissions include greenhouse gas emissions from the use of vehicles.

Scope 2 emissions include greenhouse gas emissions from the use of purchased electricity.

Scope 3 emissions include emissions generated from business travel.

Greenhouse gas emissions for property development are newly disclosed in 2023/2024 and therefore no comparable figures for 2022/2023 and 2021/2022. Scope 2 emissions are calculated based on the emission factors from local power companies and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's national eGrid data.

#### 5.3 Emissions and regulatory compliance

We place a high priority on emissions management. To minimise the environmental impact of our own emissions, we have implemented a number of initiatives to ensure that emissions such as air pollution, wastewater and waste are properly treated and managed. In addition, we are actively working to establish a green supply chain. We hold regular meetings with contractors responsible for the management of site operations to keep abreast of their activities and closely monitor their emissions.

As project managers, we are aware of the impact of emissions on the environment and therefore we strictly comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations and require our main contractors to comply with all Hong Kong legislation and regulations relating to the avoidance of nuisance and pollution, including but not limited to:

- Oil Pollution (Land Use and Requisition)
   Ordinance (Cap.247)
- Air Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap.311)
- Waste Disposal Ordinance (Cap.354)
- Water Pollution Control Ordinance (Cap.358)
- Noise Control Ordinance (Cap.400)

#### Air emissions

The exhaust gases originate from two main sources: the construction process and office operations. Exhaust emissions from the construction process arise mainly from the combustion of fuel from machinery and mobile generators, and from fine particles from percussion procedures. We require contractors to comply with regulatory requirements on exhaust emissions and to obtain the relevant permits for machinery used on site. Operation emissions are mainly generated from fuel consumption by vehicles, but in minor quantities. We also strive to reduce our carbon footprint by avoiding unnecessary travel wherever possible.

#### Waste management

General wastes

General waste mainly comes from our head office. The main component of general waste comes from used paper (e.g. office paper, posters and brochures). To reduce this type of waste, we recycle and reuse the paper that has already been used. In order to further reduce the amount of waste generated in our offices, we adopt electronic communication for the circulation of internal documents such as memorandum and reports instead of printing. In the case of mandatory printing, we choose environmentally friendly paper, such as PEFC<sup>8</sup> paper to reduce the impact of paper on the environment. We also encourage duplex printing and reuse of single-side printed paper. For proper disposal of wastepaper, we provide recycling bins to collect used papers, cardboard boxes, packing materials and toner.

#### Construction wastes

We strictly regulate the waste disposal process, requiring all types of waste to be collected, treated and transported properly to reduce the environmental impact of the entire waste disposal process. For hazardous waste, we collaborate closely with contractors to store and ensure that the hazardous waste is transferred to an authorised organisation with the hazardous waste operation permit and transportation qualification, in accordance with regulations. This ensures that hazardous waste is disposed of in a compliant manner. For non-hazardous waste, it is segregated based on its nature following government requirements. The waste is then sent to designated waste disposal facilities for landfilling or incineration.

At the same time, we are promoting water-based paints with environmentally friendly properties on construction sites instead of traditional solvent-based paints to reduce waste generation at source. In the year under review, no disposal of hazardous wastes was recorded at our offices.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification.

#### Regulatory compliance

During the year under review, we were not aware of any material non-compliance with laws and regulations related to environmental emissions in our own business operations and at our property development projects.

Waste disposal (Office)	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Non-hazardous wastes disposed	kg	584	1,219	1,032
at our offices				

Waste disposal (Property development)	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Non-hazardous wastes disposed	kg	2,070	230	0
at our projects Hazardous wastes disposed	kg	2.4	0	0
at our projects				

#### 5.4 Resources consumption

Rykadan promotes resources conservation and energy consumption reduction in the construction process and our daily operation. We also integrate the concept of sustainability into the whole process of high-quality green building design, construction and operation.

During design phase, we conduct thorough research of the building's surrounding area and incorporate environmental or green design elements into our property development projects where feasible. Wong Chuk Hang and Jaffe Road projects are built with sky gardens to enhance building efficiency and reduce energy costs by absorbing heat rather than attracting it, helping to reduce the urban heat island effect and mitigate storm water run-off in the urban environment. In addition, to advance the green development of the real estate industry, we actively promote green and healthy building certifications.

We are also committed to improving the efficiency of our use of resources. We actively explore a variety of resource-saving options. Examples include the use of water-efficient taps and flush toilets, as well as the use of natural light and efficient lighting (such as LEDs) and energy-efficient appliances.

For our office operations, we have implemented the following management measures to conserve energy and minimise resource consumption:

- idle lights and office equipment are required to be turned off, electronic appliances such as computers and printers should be set to energy-saving modes after a period of inactivity;
- sale brochures, building models and building plans are presented online to minimise printing and transportation, similarly, online database is applied;
- air conditioning temperature is fixed at 25 degrees at office to save energy consumption and extend the service life of the air conditioner;
- energy-efficient and environmentally friendly factors are taken into consideration during the procurement of office equipment and supplies;
- water-saving and energy-efficient tips are posted to heighten employees' awareness of water and energy conservation.

Use of resources (Office)	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Use of electricity	kWh	55,275	55,931	55,619
Use of water <sup>9</sup>	Litre	71,701	65,835	48,701

Use of resources				
(Property development)10	Unit	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024
Total energy consumption	kWh	190,482	365,659	825,447
Energy consumption intensity	kWh/square feet	1.22	2.18	13.88
Electricity	kWh	179,654	365,659	825,447
Diesel	Litre	1,083	0	0
Petrol	Litre	0	0	0
Use of water	$m^3$	2,406	629	154,107
Water consumption intensity	m³/square feet	0.02	0.004	2.59

#### 6. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

As a socially responsible company, Rykadan actively contributes to the needs of society and the community. We encourage our employees to participate in community welfare activities by implementing a compensation policy that incentivizes their engagement in volunteer work during their spare time. We contribute to charitable causes within our capacity and foster a philanthropic spirit within our corporate culture, aiming to bring love and warmth to the community.

Throughout the reporting year, we actively participated in volunteer activities to contribute to the public good. Our focus remained on supporting groups in need and promoting social inclusion. We dedicated a total of 25 hours to community investment organised during the year under review. We have also participated in Lockton Fearless Dragon Trailrun 2023 and invested HK\$30,000 to support an inclusive life and society. By engaging in such initiatives, we strive to make a positive impact and extend our support to the community.

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The unit of water consumption data has been revised after an internal data review.

The use of resources differs with the construction phase of each project. Upon the completion of construction and before handover of the projects, electricity and water are consumed in the maintenance and management of projects which led to an increase in usage in 2023/24. Hence, the yearly figures reported are not directly comparable.

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### PROFILES OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

### **Executive Directors**

Mr. Chan William (陳偉倫先生), aged 49, is an Executive Director, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman of the Company. Mr. Chan also serves as the Chairman of the nomination committee. Mr. Chan joined the Group in 2008. He is primarily responsible for overall strategies, planning, business development and implementation of the strategies of the Group. He also holds other directorships in the Company's subsidiaries. Mr. Chan graduated from the University of La Verne, California of the United States with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 2000 and a Master of Business Administration degree in 2002. He was a director of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals (2003/2004), a director of Yan Chai Hospital (35th Term Board of Directors (2002/2003)) and a committee member of the Central and Sai Ying Poon Area Committee of Home Affairs Department of Hong Kong Government for the two years ended 31 March 2006.

Mr. Lo Hoi Wah, Heywood (勞海華先生), aged 41, is an Executive Director and the Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Lo has joined us since 2012. He is responsible for overseeing property related investments, managing business operations, exploring new business unit growth and directing banking activities of the Gorup. He also holds other directorships in the Company's subsidiaries. Mr. Lo has over 10 years' financial accounting experience in the field of building materials, property development and hospitality. Prior to joining us, he had worked in an international audit firm and held senior finance and management position with a private company. Mr. Lo graduated from the University of Hong Kong with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in 2005. He also graduated from The Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2013 with a Master of Corporate Finance. Mr. Lo is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

### **Non-Executive Director**

Mr. Ng Tak Kwan (吳德坤先生), aged 70, is a Non-executive Director of the Company. Mr. Ng graduated from the University of Calgary with a Bachelor of Science degree in civil engineering in 1978. Mr. Ng is currently an executive director and the chief executive officer of Sundart Holdings Limited (stock code: 1568), the securities of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong.

### **Independent Non-Executive Directors**

Mr. Ho Kwok Wah, George (何國華先生), aged 66, was appointed as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company in February 2010. He also serves as the chairman of the audit committee and the remuneration committee and a member of the nomination committee of the Company. Mr. Ho has over 30 years of experience in accounting and auditing. Mr. Ho is a practicing certified public accountant in Hong Kong and is currently a director of Yong Zheng CPA Limited, Certified Public Accountants. Mr. Ho is also a director of the Hong Kong Commerce and Industry Associations Limited and the Hong Kong Shatin Industries and Commerce Association Limited. Mr. Ho is currently an independent non-executive director of PuraPharm Corporation Limited (stock code: 1498) and was in independent non-executive director of Town Health International Medical Group Limited (stock code: 3886) from September 2004 to January 2024, the securities of which are listed on the main board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong. Mr. Ho was also awarded the Medal of Honour on 1 July 2015 by the HKSAR.

Mr. To King Yan, Adam (杜景仁先生), aged 64, was appointed as an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company in August 2009. Mr. To is also a member of the audit committee, the remuneration committee and the nomination committee of the Company. He graduated from the University of London with a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1983. He has been a practicing solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong since 1986. He is also qualified to practice law in England and Wales and Australia and is a China Appointed Attesting Officer. He is currently a partner of K.B. Chau & Co., a firm of solicitors in Hong Kong with his practice focusing on conveyancing, litigation and corporate finance. Mr. To was an independent non-executive director of Vision International Holdings Limited (stock code: 8107), the securities of which are listed on the GEM board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong, from April 2018 to September 2023.

Ms. Khan Sabrina (簡佩詩女士), aged 43, has over 20 years of experience in finance and accounting. She currently serves as the chief financial officer in a well-known appliances, electrical and electronic manufacturing company, Aurabeat Technology Limited. Ms. Khan was the chief financial officer and company secretary of Aptorum Group Limited, a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company listed on the NASDAQ (NASDAQ: APM), from October 2017 to October 2022 and served as its financial consultant until August 2023. Ms. Khan had worked in various international audit firms and held senior finance and management positions in various listed companies and private companies in different industries. Ms. Khan graduated from the University of Hong Kong in 2003 with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting and Finance. She is a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountant and was qualified as an Advanced China Certified Taxation Consultant in 2015.

**Senior Management** 

Mr. Lui Man Kit, Chris (呂文傑先生), aged 39, is our Company Secretary and Financial Controller. Mr. Lui has joined us since 2014. He is responsible for overseeing the financial planning and management, accounting activities and compliance matters of the Group. He also holds directorship in the Company's subsidiary. Mr. Lui has over 17 years of financial accounting and auditing experience. Prior to joining the Group, he had worked in an international audit firm as audit manager. Mr. Lui holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Accounting and Finance from the Curtin University in 2004 and a Master of Laws degree in International and Commercial Law from the University of Greenwich in 2019. He is also a member of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

Mr. Timothy Leung (梁卓斌先生), aged 51, is the Director of Investments and Head of Asset Management of the Group. Mr. Leung joined the Group in 2020 and is responsible for management of the Group's investments including its sourcing, execution and management. He also holds directorship in the Company's subsidiary. Mr. Leung has over 20 years of experience in capital markets and asset management. Prior to joining the Group, he was with Credit Suisse Japan in the Real Estate Finance & Securitization Group, as the trader and financial engineer for the Commercial Mortgage Back Securities program and as the Asia head for the Wind Down Group. He began his career at Goldman Sachs in New York in Foreign Exchange Operations supporting FX trading and sales and later in Hong Kong, as an executive director in the Asia Special Situations Group which managed Goldman Sachs' Asia Distressed Debt Fund and the Fixed Income Division's proprietary debt investments. He graduated from the State University of New York at Albany with a Bachelor of Science in Economics in 1995.

### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors of the Company (the "Directors") would like to present the annual report and the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

### **PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The Company acts as an investment holding company and provides corporate management services. The activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out in note 40 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **BUSINESS REVIEW**

Discussion and review of the Group's business during the year are provided in the sections headed "Chairman's Statement" and "Management Discussion and Analysis" of this annual report. An analysis of the Group's performance during the year using financial key performance indicators is provided in the section headed "Management Discussion and Analysis" of this annual report. An indication of likely future development of the Group's business can be found in the section headed "Chairman's Statement" of this annual report. All the above sections form part of this report.

## KEY RELATIONSHIP WITH EMPLOYEES, CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The Group recognises that employees, customers, suppliers and business partners are the keys to the sustainable development of the Group. The Group is committed to building a close and caring relationship with its employees and business partners, and improving the quality of services and products to the customers.

Employees are regarded as the most vital and valuable assets of the Group. The Group ensures all staff are reasonably remunerated and also continues to improve and regularly review and update its policies on remuneration and benefits, training, occupational health and safety.

The Group stays connected with its customers and suppliers and has ongoing communication with the customers and suppliers through various channels such as telephone, electronic mails and physical meetings to obtain their feedback and suggestions.

The Group also makes effort to build up and maintain good relationship with various commercial banks as the Group's businesses are capital intensive and require ongoing funding to maintain continuous growth.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL POLICIES AND PERFORMANCE**

The Group is committed to maintaining sustainable working practices and pays close attention to ensure all resources are efficiently utilised. Green office practices are encouraged in the operation of the Group's businesses, such as duplex printing and copying, sending and presenting corporate documents or information to the members of the Board in electronic format, and reducing energy consumption by switching off idle lighting and electrical appliances. Further details can be found in the section headed "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" of this annual report.

# COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE LAWS AND REGULATIONS WHICH HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT TO THE GROUP

During the year, no non-compliance with the relevant laws and regulations that have a significant impact on the Group was noted. In addition, discussion on the Group's compliance with the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") is included in the Corporate Governance Report. Discussion on the Group's compliance with the relevant environmental and social policies, laws and regulations are included in the section headed "Environmental, Social and Governance Report" of this annual report.

### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

Under the Group's internal control and risk management framework, the Board has entrusted the Audit Committee with the responsibility to review the internal control and risk management systems of the Group. The Group is exposed to key risk factors including business risks, operational risks and financial risks.

### **BUSINESS RISKS**

The Group operates mainly in Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China and the United States of America. The economic and market conditions including property market sentiment and property values, legislative and regulatory changes, government policies and political considerations in the various regions may impact the Group's operating results and financial conditions.

### **OPERATIONAL RISKS**

The Group's operation is subject to a number of risk factors distinctive to property development, property investment and property related businesses. Default on the part of buyers, tenants and strategic business partners, and inadequacies or failures of internal processes, people and systems or other external factors may have various levels of negative impact on the Group's operation.



### **FINANCIAL RISKS**

The Group is subject to financial risks in the normal course of business. Details are set out in note 33 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS**

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2024 are set out in the consolidated income statement and consolidated statement of comprehensive income on pages 49 to 50.

No interim dividend had been declared to the shareholders during the year. The Directors do not recommend the payment of a final dividend for the year ended 31 March 2024.

### **FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

A summary of the results, assets and liabilities of the Group for the past five financial years is set out on page 112.

An analysis of the Group's results by segment for the year is set out in note 5 to the consolidated financial statements.

### OTHER PROPERTIES, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

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

### **BANK BORROWINGS**

Details of bank borrowings are set out in note 27 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **SHARE CAPITAL**

Details of movements during the year in the share capital of the Company are set out in note 29 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES**

Distributable reserves of the Company as at 31 March 2024 comprised:

	HK\$'000
Share premium	400,859
Retained profits	655,148
	1,056,007

Under the Companies Law (Revised) Chapter 22 of the Cayman Islands, the share premium of the Company is available for paying distributions or dividends to shareholders subject to the provisions of its memorandum and articles of association and provided that immediately following the distribution of dividend, the Company is able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business. In accordance with the Company's articles of association, dividends shall be distributed out of the retained profits or other reserves, including the share premium of the Company.

Details of movements during the year in the share premium and reserves of the Group are set out in the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

### **DIRECTORS**

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

**Executive Directors** 

Mr. CHAN William *(Chairman and Chief Executive Officer)*Mr. LO Hoi Wah, Heywood *(Chief Financial Officer)*Mr. YIP Chun Kwok *(resigned on 30 September 2023)* 

Non-executive Director Mr. NG Tak Kwan

Independent Non-executive Directors

Mr. HO Kwok Wah, George

Mr. TO King Yan, Adam

Ms. KHAN Sabrina (appointed on 15 August 2023)

Mr. WONG Hoi Ki (resigned on 15 August 2023)

Notes: Mr. CHAN William and Mr. NG Tak Kwan shall retire, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election at the forthcoming 2024 annual general meeting ("AGM") pursuant to the Company's articles of association.

Information regarding directors' emoluments is set out in note 10 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **DIRECTORS' PROFILES**

Details of the Directors' profiles are set out in the section headed "Profiles of Directors and Senior Management" of this annual report.

### **CONFIRMATION OF INDEPENDENCE**

The Company has received from each of the independent non-executive Directors a confirmation of his/her independence pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") (the "Listing Rules") and has duly reviewed the confirmation of independence of each of these Directors. The Company considers that all of the independent non-executive Directors are independent.

### **DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS**

None of the Directors who are proposed for re-election at the forthcoming AGM has a service agreement with the Company, which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

### MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

Save for service contracts with the Directors, no contract by which a person undertakes the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the Company's business was entered into or subsisted during the year.

## DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVES' INTEREST IN SHARES, UNDERLYING SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Up to the date of this report, the interests and short positions of the Directors and chief executive of the Company in shares, underlying shares and debentures of the Company and any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) which were required to be (i) 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 the directors and chief executive of the Company were deemed or taken to have pursuant to such provisions of the SFO); (ii) entered in the register required to be kept under Section 352 of the SFO; or (iii) notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") adopted by the Company were as follows:

Name	Long/Short position	Capacity	Number of shares	Approximate percentage of the issued share capital of the Company (%)
CHAN William	Long	Interest in a controlled corporation (1)	97,104,000	25.86
	Long	Other interest (2)	18,153,211	4.83
	Long	Beneficial owner	33,700,000	8.98
			148,957,211	39.67
NG Tak Kwan	Long	Beneficial owner	63,024,000	16.79
LO Hoi Wah, Heywood	Long	Beneficial owner	64,166	0.02

### Notes:

- 1. Tiger Crown Limited, which beneficially owned 97,104,000 shares of the Company, is 100% owned by Rykadan Holdings Limited which in turn is 100% held by CHAN William. CHAN William is also the sole director of Tiger Crown Limited and Rykadan Holdings Limited.
- 2. Since Tiger Crown Limited, Scenemay Holdings Limited, CHAN William, LI Chu Kwan and LI Wing Yin are regarded as a group of shareholders acting in concert to exercise their voting rights in the Company and are parties to an agreement under Section 317 of the SFO, pursuant to the provisions of the SFO, each of them is deemed to be interested in the shares of the Company owned by the other parties to the agreement. Hence, CHAN William is also deemed to be interested in the 18,153,211 shares of the Company owned by Scenemay Holdings Limited.
- 3. All the shares of the Company shown in the table above are ordinary shares.

**Approximate** 

Save as disclosed above, up to the date of this report, so far as is known to any Director and chief executive of the Company, none of the Directors or chief executive of the Company had any interests or short positions in any shares, underlying shares or debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO) which would 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 or short positions which they were taken or deemed to have pursuant to such provisions of the SFO), or which were entered in the register required to be kept by the Company under Section 352 of the SFO, or which were required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code.

### **SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS**

Up to the date of this report, so far as is known to the Directors or chief executive of the Company, the interests and short positions of the shareholders (other than the Directors or chief executive of the Company) who had interests or short positions in the shares and underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed to the Company under the provisions of Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were entered in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO, were as follows:

Name	Long/Short position	Capacity	Number of shares	percentage of the issued share capital of the Company (%)
Rykadan Holdings Limited	Long	Interest in a controlled corporation (1) (2)	148,957,211	39.67
Tiger Crown Limited (1)	Long	Beneficial owner	97,104,000	25.86
	Long	Other interest (2)	51,853,211	13.81
			148,957,211	39.67
Scenemay Holdings	Long	Beneficial owner	18,153,211	4.83
Limited	Long	Other interest (2)	130,804,000	34.84
			148,957,211	39.67
LI Chu Kwan	Long	Interest in a controlled corporation (3)	18,153,211	4.83
	Long	Other interest (2)	130,804,000	34.84
			148,957,211	39.67
LI Wing Yin	Long	Interest in a controlled corporation (3)	18,153,211	4.83
	Long	Other interest (2)	130,804,000	34.84
			148,957,211	39.67

Notes:

- Tiger Crown Limited is 100% owned by Rykadan Holdings Limited which in turn is 100% held by CHAN William. Rykadan Holdings Limited is therefore deemed to be interested in the 97,104,000 shares of the Company beneficially owned by Tiger Crown Limited as well as the 51,853,211 shares of the Company in which Tiger Crown Limited is deemed to be interested as described in Note 2 below.
- Since Tiger Crown Limited, Scenemay Holdings Limited, CHAN William, LI Chu Kwan and LI Wing Yin are regarded as a group of shareholders acting in concert to exercise their voting rights in the Company and are parties to an agreement under Section 317 of the SFO, pursuant to the provisions of the SFO, each of them is deemed to be interested in the shares of the Company owned by the other parties to the agreement.
- As the entire issued share capital of Scenemay Holdings Limited is owned by LI Chu Kwan and LI Wing Yin in equal shares, each of LI Chu Kwan and LI Wing Yin is deemed to be interested in the 18,153,211 shares of the Company beneficially owned by Scenemay Holdings Limited
- All the shares of the Company shown in the table above are ordinary shares.

Save as disclosed above, up to the date of this report, so far as is known to any Director and chief executive of the Company, no other persons or companies had any interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company which would fall to be disclosed under Divisions 2 and 3 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were entered in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 336 of the SFO.

## ARRANGEMENT TO PURCHASE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

At no time during the year was the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate.

## CONNECTED AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year and up to the date of this report, the Group has not entered into any significant connected transaction or continuing connected transaction which is required to be disclosed pursuant to the requirement under the Listing Rules.

Significant related party transactions entered by the Group during the year, which do not constitute connected transactions or continuing connected transactions under the Listing Rules are disclosed in note 38 to the consolidated financial statements.

## DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENT OR CONTRACTS

Save as disclosed under related party transactions in note 38 to the consolidated financial statements, no other transactions, arrangement or contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries was a party and in which a Director of the Company had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

### **EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENT**

Other than the information disclosed in this directors' report and the consolidated financial statements, no equity-linked agreements were entered into by the Company during the year or subsisted at the end of the financial year under review.

### PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISIONS

Pursuant to the articles of association of the Company, the Directors shall be indemnified and secured harmless out of the assets and profits of the Company from and against all actions, costs, charges, losses, damages and expenses which they shall or may incur or sustain by or by reason of any act done, concurred in or omitted in or about the execution of their duty or supposed duty, in their respective offices or trusts.

The Company has arranged appropriate directors' liability insurance coverage for the Directors and officers throughout the year.

### **COMPETING BUSINESS**

During the year, none of the Directors or the controlling shareholders of the Company and their respective associates had any interest in a business, apart from the business of the Group, which competes or may compete with the business of the Group or has any other conflict of interest with the Group which would be required to be disclosed under Rule 8.10 of the Listing Rules.

### **EMOLUMENT POLICY**

The emolument policy of the employees of the Group was set up by the Remuneration Committee. The emolument of the Directors is decided by the Remuneration Committee, having regard to the Group's operating results, individual performance and comparable market trends.

### **RETIREMENT BENEFIT SCHEME**

Details of the Group's retirement benefit schemes are set out in note 9 to the consolidated financial statements.

### **PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS**

There are no provisions for pre-emptive rights under the Company's articles of association or applicable laws of the Cayman Islands where the Company is incorporated, which would oblige the Company to offer new shares on a pro rata basis to existing shareholders.

### SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on the information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors as at the date of this report, the Company has maintained sufficient public float throughout the year as required under the Listing Rules.

## DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO RULES 13.19 AND 13.21 OF THE LISTING RULES

The information as required to disclose under Rules 13.19 and 13.21 of the Listing Rules in relation to the Company's failure to satisfy financial covenants is as follows:

During the year, in respect of bank loans of HK\$185,000,000 utilised out of the relevant bank facilities of HK\$237,500,000 granted from relevant bankers at 31 March 2024, the Group has failed to satisfy one of the financial covenants which is the net worth requirement stipulated in relevant banking facility agreements. The Directors are in discussion with the relevant bankers for the necessary waivers and renegotiating with them on the terms of the relevant bank loans. As at 31 March 2024, those negotiations had not been concluded and the relevant bank loans which are originally due within one year, could be immediately due and payable.

Up to the date of approval for issuance of the consolidated financial statements, the negotiations are still in progress and the Group is yet to obtain the relevant waivers from the relevant bankers, who have not made any demand for immediate repayment of the relevant bank loans. Based on the communication and prior negotiation experiences with the relevant bankers, the Directors are confident that the necessary waivers will be obtained or the relevant bankers and the Group will be able to reach mutually acceptable revised terms regarding the relevant bank loans. In any event, should the relevant bankers call for immediate repayment of the bank loans, there are adequate alternative sources of finance available to ensure that there is no threat to the continuing operations of the Group. Notwithstanding the failure to satisfy such financial covenant, the Group has not experienced any difficulties in obtaining financing with its banks for its working capital. The Company will continue to monitor the progress of the negotiations with the relevant bankers.

## DISCLOSURE PURSUANT TO RULES 13.20 AND 13.22 OF THE LISTING RULES

The information as required to disclose under Rules 13.20 and 13.22 of the Listing Rules in relation to the Company's advances to entities and the financial assistance and guarantees to affiliated companies provided by the Company are as follows:

### (a) Advances to entities

As at 31 March 2024, the Company has advanced to Quarella Group Limited ("QGL") loans in an aggregate amount of HK\$250,000,000 for the working capital of the QGL, which is non-interest bearing since 1 April 2020 and the interest on loans to QGL of HK\$33,116,000. The entire amounts are unsecured and be repayable by written notice demand by the Company.

As at 31 March 2024, an aggregate sum of HK\$259,510,000 was advanced by the Group to Fastest Runner Limited for the purpose of acquiring the property located at No. 23 Wong Chuk Hang Road, Hong Kong and financing its development and general working capital. The advance of HK\$40,000,000 is interest bearing at 15% per annum, unsecured and repayable on or before 31 December 2024 while the remaining advance is non-interest bearing, unsecured and has no fixed terms of repayment, and was made pro rata to the percentage of shareholding of the relevant subsidiary of the Group in Fastest Runner Limited.

## (b) Financial assistance and guarantees to affiliated companies

Pursuant to Rule 13.22 of the Listing Rules, a proforma combined balance sheet of those affiliated companies with financial assistance from the Group and the Group's attributable interest in those affiliated companies as at 31 March 2024 are presented as follows:

	HK\$'000
Non-current assets	699,820
Current assets	1,327,479
Current liabilities	(2,717,924)
Non-current liabilities	(213,440
Net liabilities	(904,065)
Share capital	221
Reserves	(904,286)
Capital and reserves	(904,065)

As at 31 March 2024, the Group's attributable accumulated losses in these affiliated companies amounted to HK\$252,702,000.

### **CHARITABLE DONATIONS**

Charitable donations made by the Group during the year amounted to HK\$30,000 (2023; HK\$Nil).

## MAJOR CUSTOMERS, SUBCONTRACTORS AND SUPPLIERS

For the year, the five largest customers of the Group accounted for 99% of the Group's total revenue and total revenue from the largest customer included therein accounted for 89%. 廈門可維萊石材有限公司 is one of the five largest customers, and Mr. LO Hoi Wah, Heywood is acting as its director during the year. Rykadan Real Estate Fund LP and Rykadan Real Estate Prospect Fund LP also are two of the five largest customers and Mr. CHAN William is one of the representatives on the Investment Committee of both limited partnerships. The aggregate purchase attributable to the five largest suppliers of the Group during the year accounted for 93% of the total purchases of the Group and the largest supplier included therein accounted for 66%.

Other than disclosed above, at no time during the year did a Director, an associate of a Director or a shareholder of the Company (which to the knowledge of the Directors owns more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital) have an interest in any of the Group's five largest customers or suppliers.

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

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

### **CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

The Corporate Governance Report is set out on pages 9 to 16.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE**

The Environmental, Social and Governance Report is set out on pages 17 to 35.

### **AUDITOR**

In April 2024, PricewaterhouseCoopers resigned as external auditor of the Company and Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu was appointed as the external auditor of the Company to fill the casual vacancy until the conclusion of the next AGM.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu, who will retire and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment at the forthcoming AGM.

A resolution to re-appoint Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu as the external auditor will be submitted for shareholders' approval at the forthcoming AGM.

On behalf of the Board

## Rykadan Capital Limited CHAN William

Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

Hong Kong, 26 June 2024

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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### To the shareholders of Rykadan Capital Limited

(incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

### **OPINION**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Rykadan Capital Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group") set out on pages 49 to 111, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 March 2024, and the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including material accounting policy information and other exploratory information.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 March 2024, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

#### **BASIS FOR OPINION**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the HKICPA. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA's Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the "Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **OTHER MATTER**

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2023 were audited by another auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those statements on 28 June 2023.

### **KEY AUDIT MATTERS**

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

### **KEY AUDIT MATTERS (Continued)**

### **Key Audit Matter**

### Impairment of interests in joint ventures

We identified impairment assessment of interests in joint ventures as a key audit matter due to the significance of interests in joint ventures to the Group's consolidated financial position, combined with the significant judgement and estimation made by management in identifying impairment indicators and determining the recoverable amounts of the Group's interests in joint ventures at the end of the reporting period.

As at 31 March 2024, the Group's interests in joint ventures amounted to approximately HK\$205,096,000, which represented approximately 17.9% of total assets of the Group.

As disclosed in notes 4 to the consolidated financial statements, significant judgements and estimation were exercised by the management in assessing whether there is any indication that the carrying amount of interests in joint ventures may be impaired and determining recoverable amounts of those joint ventures in which such indication exists. The management engaged an independent professional valuer to assist them to determine the recoverable amounts of interests in joint ventures. As detailed in notes 4 and 18 to the consolidated financial statements, in estimating the recoverable amounts of interests in joint ventures, which are derived from value-in-use calculations, key assumptions and inputs used by the management included the discount rate, growth rates, terminal growth rate, budgeted sales and gross margin of the joint ventures.

Based on the assessment made by management of the Group, impairment losses of HK\$33,200,000 was recognised during the year ended 31 March 2024.

### How our audit addressed the Key Audit Matter

Our procedures in relation to impairment of interests in joint ventures included:

- Understanding the management's process of identifying of impairment indicators of interests in joint ventures;
- Evaluating the historical accuracy of the financial budgets prepared by management by comparing the historical financial budgets with the actual performance;
- Assessing the competency, capabilities and objectivity of the independent professional valuer;
- Engaging our internal valuation specialists to evaluate the appropriateness of the valuation methodology, discount rate and terminal growth rate applied by the management; and
- Assessing the reasonableness of key assumptions underpinning the discounted cash flow models, including budgeted sales, growth rates and gross margin, in the cash flow projections with reference to the future business plan of the joint ventures as well as industry trend.

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

The directors of the Company are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

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

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion 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. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

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

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

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

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

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

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

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in the independent auditor's report is Lee Wing Cheong, Wilfred.

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu

Certified Public Accountants

Hong Kong, 26 June 2024

## **CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT**

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Revenue Cost of sales and services	5(a)	104,388 (131,690)	87,695 (85,142)
Gross (loss) profit Other revenue Other net loss Selling and marketing expenses Administrative and other operating expenses	6 7	(27,302) 6,718 (3,883) (4,138) (44,397)	2,553 7,565 (2,022) (4,814) (30,680)
Loss from operations  Decrease in fair value of investment properties	14	(73,002) (4,316)	(27,398) (5,916)
Finance costs Share of results of associates Share of results of joint ventures Impairment losses on interests in joint ventures	11 18	(77,318) (15,713) (35,216) (12,444) (33,200)	(33,314) (12,744) (136,780) (9,012)
Loss before taxation Income tax expense	12	(173,891) (2,275)	(191,850) (372)
Loss for the year	8	(176,166)	(192,222)
Attributable to:  - Owners of the Company - Non-controlling interests		(173,886) (2,280)	(189,329) (2,893)
		(176,166)	(192,222)
		HK\$	HK\$
Loss per share Basic	13	(46.3) cents	(50.4) cents
Diluted		N/A	N/A

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Loss for the year	(176,166)	(192,222)
Other comprehensive income for the year		
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:  - Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations  - Share of translation reserve of joint ventures, net of related income tax	875 (1,806)	(5,061) (4,900)
Item that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:  - Share of remeasurement of defined benefit liability of a joint venture, net of related income tax	(931) (54)	(9,961) 448
Other comprehensive income for the year	(985)	(9,513)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(177,151)	(201,735)
Attributable to:  - Owners of the Company - Non-controlling interests	(174,504) (2,647)	(198,044) (3,691)
	(177,151)	(201,735)

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Investment properties Other properties, plant and equipment Right-of-use assets Interests in associates Interests in joint ventures Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	14 15 16 17 18 19	154,500 33,964 3,442 178,766 205,096	158,700 34,808 – 213,489 252,632
		575,768	659,629
CURRENT ASSETS Properties for sale Inventories Trade receivables Other receivables, deposits and prepayments Loan to an associate Bank deposits and cash on hand	20 21 22 23 17 24	399,121 797 22,277 8,742 40,000 100,897	485,088 2,545 27,957 8,218 7,169 167,485
		571,834	698,462
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade and other payables Contract liabilities Bank loans Lease liabilities Tax payable	25 26 27 28	13,604 615 257,571 527 1,212	13,903 280 216,877 – 1,217
		273,529	232,277
NET CURRENT ASSETS		298,305	466,185
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		874,073	1,125,814
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Bank loans Lease liabilities Deferred tax liabilities	27 28 31	18,522 3,022 1,058	95,922 - -
		22,602	95,922
		851,471	1,029,892
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Reserves	29	3,754 857,619	3,754 1,032,123
Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests		861,373 (9,902)	1,035,877 (5,985)
		851,471	1,029,892

The consolidated financial statements on pages 49 to 111 were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 26 June 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

CHAN WILLIAM DIRECTOR

LO HOI WAH, HEYWOOD DIRECTOR

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the year ended 31 March 2024

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	Share capital HK\$'000	Share premium HK\$'000	Statutory reserve HK\$'000 (note (i))	Translation reserve HK\$'000	Actuarial reserve HK\$'000	Other reserve HK\$'000 (note (ii))	Revaluation reserve HK\$'000 (note (iii))	Fair value reserve (non- recycling) HK\$'000 (note (iv))	Retained profits HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000	Non- controlling interests HK\$'000	Total equity HK\$'000
1 April 2022	3,754	400,859	4,433	1,081	(321)	35,440	11,474	(15,850)	793,051	1,233,921	(2,134)	1,231,787
Loss for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(189,329)	(189,329)	(2,893)	(192,222)
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations  Share of translation reserve of joint	-	-	-	(4,812)	-	-	-	-	-	(4,812)	(249)	(5,061)
ventures, net of related income tax Share of remeasurement of defined	-	-	-	(4,293)	-	-	-	-	-	(4,293)	(607)	(4,900)
benefit liability of a joint venture, net of related income tax		-	-	-	390	-	-	-	-	390	58	448
Total comprehensive income			-	(9,105)	390	-	-	-	(189,329)	(198,044)	(3,691)	(201,735)
Dividend paid to non-controlling shareholders	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>-</u>		-	(160)	(160)
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023	3,754	400,859	4,433	(8,024)	69	35,440	11,474	(15,850)	603,722	1,035,877	(5,985)	1,029,892
Loss for the year Exchange differences arising on	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(173,886)	(173,886)	(2,280)	(176,166)
translation of foreign operations Share of translation reserve of joint	-	-	-	1,004	-	-	-	-	-	1,004	(129)	875
venture, net of related income tax Share of remeasurement of defined	-	-	-	(1,575)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,575)	(231)	(1,806)
benefit liability of a joint venture, net of related income tax	_	-	-	-	(47)	-	-	_	-	(47)	(7)	(54)
Total comprehensive income	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(571)	(47)	-	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	(173,886)	(174,504)	(2,647)	(177,151)
Distribution paid to non-controlling shareholders upon liquidation of a subsidiary		_	_	_	_	_	-	_	_	_	(1,270)	(1,270)
At 31 March 2024	3,754	400,859	4,433	(8,595)	22	35,440	11,474	(15,850)	429,836	861,373	(9,902)	851,471

### Notes:

- (i) According to the relevant laws of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"), the PRC subsidiaries are required to transfer at least 10% of its net profit after tax, as determined under the PRC accounting regulation, to a statutory reserve until the reserve balance reaches 50% of the subsidiaries' registered capital. The transfer of this reserve must be made before the distribution of dividend to the subsidiaries' equity owners. The statutory reserve is non-distributable other than upon the liquidation of the subsidiaries.
- (ii) Other reserve comprises the differences between the consideration and carrying amount of net assets attributable to the addition and reduction of interests in subsidiaries being acquired from and disposed to non-controlling shareholders respectively.
- (iii) The revaluation reserve represents differences resulting between the carrying amount and the fair value when an item of other properties, plant and equipment becomes an investment property at the date of transfer.
- (iv) The fair value reserve (non-recycling) comprises the cumulative net change in the fair value of equity investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income under HKFRS 9 *Financial Instruments* that are held at the end of the reporting period.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Notes	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Loss before taxation		(173,891)	(191,850)
Adjustments for:		(173,091)	(191,030)
Decrease in fair value of investment properties		4,316	5,916
Depreciation of other properties, plant and equipment	8	1,666	1,641
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	8	513	-
Loss on disposal of interests in subsidiaries	7	_	102
Loss on disposal of other properties, plant and equipment	7	_	24
Interest income on bank deposits	6	(1,134)	(1,072)
Interest income on loan to a joint venture	6	(518)	(518)
Interest income on loan to an associate	6	(3,762)	(32)
Interest expenses on bank loans	11	15,591	12,744
Interest expenses on lease liabilities	11	122	_
Share of results of joint ventures		12,444	9,012
Share of results of associates		35,216	136,780
Impairment losses of trade receivables		10,274	144
Impairment losses on interests in joint ventures		33,200	-
Reversal of impairment losses of trade receivables		(5,233)	(4,457)
Reversal of impairment losses of other receivables,			
deposits and prepayments		-	(419)
Write-down on properties for sale		9,026	4,442
Unrealised exchange loss		2,997	2,761
Operating cash flows before movements in working capital		(59,173)	(24,782)
Decrease (increase) in properties for sale		76,132	(88,349)
Decrease in inventories		1,655	_
Decrease (increase) in trade receivables		611	(1,852)
(Increase) decrease in other receivables, deposits and prepayments		(671)	49,715
Decrease in trade and other payables		(344)	(1,788)
Increase (decrease) in contract liabilities		335	(7,227)
Cash generated from (used in) operations		18,545	(74,283)
Interest paid		(16,650)	(12,985)
Hong Kong Profits Tax paid		(10,030)	(47)
Overseas tax paid		(1,217)	(821)
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Net cash from (used in) operating activities		678	(88,136)

	Notes	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
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INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(22.224)	(7.4.60)
Loan to an associate  Advance to an associate		(32,831) (2,000)	(7,169)
Purchases of other properties, plant and equipment		(836)	(32)
Interest received		5,414	1,622
Repayments from associates		2,249	5,242
Proceeds from disposal of other properties, plant and equipment		12	-
Net cash inflow from disposal of interests in subsidiaries	37	-	107,591
Capital contribution to associates		_	(38)
Net cash (used in) from investing activities		(27,992)	107,216
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayments of bank loans		(121,487)	(141,105)
Distributions paid to non-controlling shareholders upon liquidation		(4.5-5)	
of a subsidiary Repayments of lease liabilities		(1,270) (407)	_
New bank loans raised		85,115	183,273
Dividend paid to non-controlling shareholders		-	(160)
Net cash (used in) from financing activities		(38,049)	42,008
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents		(65,363)	61,088
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		(1,225)	(3,746)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		167,485	110,143
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year, represented		100.007	167.405
by bank deposits and cash on hand		100,897	167,485

### NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 March 2024

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The Company was incorporated in the Cayman Islands as an exempted company with limited liability and its shares are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") since 21 August 2009. The addresses of the registered office and principal place of business of the Company are Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman, KY1-1111, Cayman Islands and Rooms 2701 & 2801, Rykadan Capital Tower, 135 Hoi Bun Road, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong respectively.

The Company acts as an investment holding company and provides corporate management services. The activities of its principal subsidiaries are set out in Note 40.

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is also the functional currency of the Company.

### 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs")

### New and amendments to HKFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

In the current year, the Group has applied the following new and amendments to HKFRSs issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the Group's annual period beginning on 1 April 2023 for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

HKFRS 17 (including the October 2020 and February 2022 Amendments to HKFRS 17) Amendments to HKAS 8 Amendments to HKAS 12

Amendments to HKAS 12 Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Insurance Contracts

Definition of Accounting Estimates
Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising
from a Single Transaction
International Tax Reform-Pillar Two Model Rules
Disclosure of Accounting Policies

Except as described below, the application of the new and amendments to HKFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

Impacts on application of Amendments to HKAS 1 and HKFRS Practice Statement 2 Disclosure of Accounting Policies

The Group has applied the amendments for the first time in the current year. HKAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements is amended to replace all instances of the term "significant accounting policies" with "material accounting policy information". Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements.

The amendments also clarify that accounting policy information may be material because of the nature of the related transactions, other events or conditions, even if the amounts are immaterial. However, not all accounting policy information relating to material transactions, other events or conditions is itself material. If an entity chooses to disclose immaterial accounting policy information, such information must not obscure material accounting policy information.

HKFRS Practice Statement 2 *Making Materiality Judgements* (the "Practice Statement") is also amended to illustrate how an entity applies the "four-step materiality process" to accounting policy disclosures and to judge whether information about an accounting policy is material to its financial statements. Guidance and examples are added to the Practice Statement.

The application of the amendments has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance but has affected the disclosure of the Group's accounting policies set out in Note 3 to the consolidated financial statements.

## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

### Amendments to HKFRSs in issue but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following amendments to HKFRSs that have been issued but are not yet effective:

Amendments to HKFRS 10 and HKAS 28

Amendments to HKFRS 16 Amendments to HKAS 1

Amendments to HKAS 1 Amendments to HKAS 7 and HKFRS 7 Amendments to HKAS 21 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture<sup>1</sup>
Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback<sup>2</sup>
Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020)<sup>2</sup>
Non-current Liabilities with Covenants<sup>2</sup>
Supplier Finance Arrangements<sup>2</sup>
Lack of Exchangeability<sup>3</sup>

- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined.
- <sup>2</sup> Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.
- Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2025.

Except for the amendments to HKFRSs mentioned below, the directors of the Company anticipate that the application of all other amendments to HKFRSs will have no material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

Amendments to HKAS 1 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) (the "2020 Amendments") and Amendments to HKAS 1 Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (the "2022 Amendments")

The 2020 Amendments provide clarification and additional guidance on the assessment of right to defer settlement for at least twelve months from reporting date for classification of liabilities as current or non-current, which:

- clarify that if a liability has terms that could, at the option of the counterparty, result in its settlement by the transfer of the entity's own equity instruments, these terms do not affect its classification as current or non-current only if the entity recognises the option separately as an equity instrument applying HKAS 32 *Financial Instruments: Presentation*.
- specify that the classification of liabilities as current or non-current should be based on rights that are in existence at the end of the reporting period. Specifically, the amendments clarify that the classification should not be affected by management intentions or expectations to settle the liability within 12 months.

For rights to defer settlement for at least twelve months from reporting date which are conditional on the compliance with covenants, the requirements introduced by the 2020 Amendments have been modified by the 2022 Amendments. The 2022 Amendments specify that only covenants with which an entity is required to comply with on or before the end of the reporting period affect the entity's right to defer settlement of a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date. Covenants which are required to comply with only after the reporting period do not affect whether that right exists at the end of the reporting period.

In addition, the 2022 Amendments specify the disclosure requirements about information that enables users of financial statements to understand the risk that the liabilities could become repayable within twelve months after the reporting period, if an entity classifies liabilities arising from loan arrangements as non-current when the entity's right to defer settlement of those liabilities is subject to the entity complying with covenants within twelve months after the reporting period.

The 2022 Amendments also defer the effective date of applying the 2020 Amendments to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024. The 2022 Amendments, together with the 2020 Amendments, are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024, with early application permitted. If an entity applies the 2020 Amendments for an earlier period after the issue of the 2022 Amendments, the entity should also apply the 2022 Amendments for that period.

## 2. APPLICATION OF NEW AND AMENDMENTS TO HONG KONG FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("HKFRSs") (Continued)

### Amendments to HKFRSs in issue but not yet effective (Continued)

Amendments to HKAS 1 Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current and related amendments to Hong Kong Interpretation 5 (2020) (the "2020 Amendments") and Amendments to HKAS 1 Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (the "2022 Amendments") (Continued)

Certain loans are subject to meet certain conditions within twelve months from the reporting period, based on the Group's outstanding liabilities as at 31 March 2024, the application of the 2020 and 2022 Amendments will not result in reclassification of the Group's liabilities.

## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

### 3.1 Basis of preparation of consolidated financial statements

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with HKFRSs issued by the HKICPA. For the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements, information is considered material if such information is reasonably expected to influence decisions made by primary users. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange (the "Listing Rules") and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information

### Subsidiaries

### Consolidation

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

### Disposal of subsidiaries

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

### Associates and joint ventures

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence but not control or joint control over its management, including participation in the financial and operating policy decision.

The Group has applied HKFRS 11 Joint Arrangements to all joint arrangements. Under HKFRS 11 investments in joint arrangements are classified as either joint operations or joint ventures depending on the contractual rights and obligations of each investor. The Group has assessed the nature of its joint arrangements and determined them to be joint ventures.

An investment in associate or joint venture is accounted for in the consolidated financial statements using equity method of accounting. Under the equity method of accounting, the investments are initially recognised at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the post-acquisition profits or losses of the investee in profit or loss, and the Group's share of movements in other comprehensive income of the investee in other comprehensive income. Dividends received or receivable from associates and joint ventures are recognised as a reduction in the carrying amount of the investment.

Where the Group's share of losses in an equity-accounted investment equals or exceeds its interest in the entity, including any other unsecured long-term receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has incurred obligations or made payments on behalf of the other entity. For this purpose, the Group's interest is the carrying amount of the investment under the equity method together with any other long-term interests that in substance form part of the Group's net investment in the associate or the joint venture.

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued) Investment properties

Investment properties, principally comprising leasehold land and buildings, are held for long-term rental yields or for capital appreciation or both, and that is not occupied by the Group. These include land held for a currently undetermined future use and property. Investment properties are initially measured at cost, including related transaction costs and where applicable borrowing costs. Subsequently, they are carried at fair value. Fair value is based on active market prices, adjusted, if necessary, for any difference in the nature, location or condition of the specific asset. If the information is not available, the Group uses alternative valuation methods such as recent prices on less active markets or discounted cash flow projections. Changes in fair values are recognised in profit or loss.

Subsequent expenditure is charged to the asset's carrying amount only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance costs are expensed in the profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

If an item of inventories becomes an investment property that will be carried at fair value is consistent with the treatment of sales of inventories. Any difference between the fair value of the property at that date and its previous carrying amount shall be recognised in profit or loss.

### Other properties, plant and equipment

Other properties, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

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

Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost, net of their residual values, over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- Buildings Over the shorter of the unexpired term of lease and their estimated useful

lives of no more than 50 years

- Leasehold improvements Over the shorter of the remaining lease term and useful life of 3-10 years

- Furniture, fixtures and equipment 3-7 years

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains or losses arising from the retirement or disposal of an item of other properties, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the item and are recognised in profit or loss on the date of retirement or disposal.

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued) Impairment of other non-current assets

Assets, including other properties, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, investments in subsidiaries in the Company's statement of financial position and interests in associates and joint ventures accounted for under the equity method in the consolidated financial statements, are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). These assets that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

### Segment reporting

Operating segments, and the amounts of each segment item reported in the consolidated financial statements, are identified from the financial information provided regularly to the Group's most senior executive management for the purpose of allocating resources to, and assessing the performance of, the Group's various lines of business.

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

### Foreign currency translation

### Functional and presentation currency

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

### Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at year end exchange rate are generally recognised in profit or loss.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. HK\$) using exchange rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of translation reserve (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

All foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the consolidated income statement within other net loss.

## 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued) Investments and other financial assets

### Classification

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income or through profit or loss), and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets to meet the objective to collect contractual cash flow and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or other comprehensive income. For investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading, this will depend on whether the Group has made an irrevocable election at the time of initial recognition to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income.

### Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade-date, the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

### Measurement

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in profit or loss.

### Debt instruments

Subsequent measurement of debt instruments depends on the Group's business model for managing the asset and the cash flow characteristics of the asset.

Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss and presented in other net loss. Impairment losses are recognised in the consolidated income statement. The Group's financial assets carried at amortised cost comprise trade receivables, other receivables, deposits and prepayments, loan to an associate and bank deposits and cash on hand in the consolidated statement of financial position.

### Impairment

The Group assesses on a forward-looking basis the expected credit losses ("ECL") associated with its debt instruments carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

For trade receivables, the Group applies the simplified approach permitted by HKFRS 9, which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued) Structured entities

A structured entity is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to administrative tasks only, and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual or related arrangements.

The Group determines whether it is an agent or a principal in relation to those structured entities in which the Group acts as an asset manager on management's judgement. If an asset manager is agent, it acts primarily on behalf of others and so does not control the structured entity. It may be principal if it acts primarily for itself, and therefore controls the structured entity.

The Group has determined that the investment in real estate funds, which are not controlled by the Group and classified as interests in associates, are unconsolidated structured entities.

#### Inventories

Inventories are assets which are held for sale in the ordinary course of business, in the process of production for such sale or in the form of materials or supplies to be consumed in the production process or in the rendering of services.

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value as follows:

### (i) Construction and interior decorative materials

Cost is calculated using the weighted average cost formula and comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

### (ii) Property development

Properties under development for sale

The cost of properties under development for sale comprises specifically identified cost, including the acquisition cost of land, aggregate cost of development, materials and supplies, wages and other direct expenses, an appropriate proportion of overheads and borrowing costs capitalised. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less estimated costs of completion and costs to be incurred in selling the property.

### Completed properties held for sale

The cost of completed properties held for sale comprises all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the properties to their present location and condition. In the case of completed properties held for sale developed by the Group, cost is determined by apportionment of the total development costs for that development project, attributable to the unsold properties. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less costs to be incurred in selling the property.

### Contract liabilities

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

When the contract includes a significant financing component, the contract balance includes interest accrued under the effective interest method.

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## 3. BASIS OF PREPARATION OF CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand and cash at bank and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturity of three months or less.

### Borrowings and borrowing costs

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

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

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of an asset which necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset. Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

The capitalisation of borrowing costs as part of the cost of a qualifying asset commences when expenditure for the asset is being incurred, borrowing costs are being incurred and activities that are necessary to prepare the asset for its intended use or sale are in progress. Capitalisation of borrowing costs is suspended or ceases when substantially all the activities necessary to prepare the qualifying asset for its intended use or sale are interrupted or complete.

### Current and deferred tax

The income tax expense or credit for the period is the tax payable on the current period's taxable income based on the applicable income tax rate for each jurisdiction adjusted by changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities attributable to temporary differences and to unused tax losses and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years.

### Current tax

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

### Deferred tax

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

## 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued) Current and deferred tax (Continued)

Deferred tax (Continued)

Deferred tax assets are recognised only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise those temporary differences and losses.

Deferred tax liabilities and assets are not recognised for temporary differences between the carrying amount and tax bases of investments in foreign operations where the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that the differences will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and when the deferred tax balances relate to the same taxation authority. Current tax assets and tax liabilities are offset where the entity has a legally enforceable right to offset and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Current and deferred tax is recognised in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case, the tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for investment properties that are measured using the fair value model, the carrying amounts of such properties are presumed to be recovered entirely through sale, unless the presumption is rebutted. The presumption is rebutted when the investment property is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time, rather than through sale, except for freehold land, which is always presumed to be recovered entirely through sale.

### Employee benefits

Short term employee benefits and contributions to defined contribution retirement plans

Salaries, annual bonuses, paid annual leave, contributions to defined contribution retirement plans and the cost of non-monetary benefits are accrued in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees. Where payment or settlement is deferred and the effect would be material, these amounts are stated at their present values.

### Provisions and contingent liabilities

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

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

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

Where it is not probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required, or the amount cannot be estimated reliably, the obligation is disclosed as a contingent liability, unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote. Possible obligations, whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more future events are also disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the probability of outflow of economic benefits is remote.

### 3.2 Material accounting policy information (Continued)

### Revenue recognition

Income is classified by the Group as revenue when it arises from the sale of goods, the provision of services or the use by others of the Group's assets under leases in the ordinary course of the Group's businesses. Revenue is recognised when control over a product or service is transferred to the customer, or the lessee has the right to use the asset, at the amount of promised consideration to which the Group is expected to be entitled, excluding those amounts collected on behalf of third parties. Revenue excludes value added tax or other sales taxes and is after deduction of any trade discounts.

The Group's revenue and other income are primarily derived from as follows:

### (i) Sales of properties

Revenue arising from the sale of properties developed for sale in the ordinary course of business is recognised when legal assignment is completed, which is the point in time when the customer has the ability to direct the use of the property and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits of the property. Deposits and instalments received on properties sold prior to the date of revenue recognition are included in the consolidated statement of financial position under contract liabilities.

When properties are marketed by the Group while the property is still under construction, the Group may offer a discount compared to the listed sales price, provided the customer agrees to pay the balance of the consideration early. In such cases, if the advance payments are regarded as providing a significant financing benefit to the Group, interest expense arising from the adjustment of time value of money will be accrued by the Group during the period between the payment date and the completion date of legal assignment. This accrual increases the balance of the contract liability during the period of construction, and therefore increases the amount of revenue recognised when control of the completed property is transferred to the customer. The interest is expensed as accrued unless it is eligible to be capitalised under HKAS 23, *Borrowing Costs*.

### (ii) Sales of goods

Revenue is recognised when the customer takes possession of and accepts the products. Revenue excludes value added tax or other sales taxes and is after deduction of any trade discounts.

### (iii) Service income

Service income is recognised over time when the relevant services are provided. Service income is recognised net of value added tax.

### (iv) Rental income from operating leases

Rental income receivable under operating leases is recognised in profit or loss in equal instalments over the periods covered by the lease term, except where an alternative basis is more representative of the pattern of benefits to be derived from the use of the leased asset. Lease incentives granted are recognised in profit or loss as an integral part of the aggregate net lease payments receivable. Contingent rentals are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are earned.

### (v) Interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method. When a receivable is impaired, the Group reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flow discounted at the original effective interest rate of the instrument and continues unwinding the discount as interest income. For impaired loans, the effective interest rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial assets (after deduction of the loss allowances).

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#### 4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, the directors of the Company are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

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

### Key sources of estimation uncertainty

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

### Impairment of interests in joint ventures

Interests in joint ventures are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. The recoverable amounts are determined based on value-in-use calculations or market valuations. These calculations require use of significant judgements and estimates. Management judgement is required in the area of asset impairment particularly in assessing: (i) whether an event has occurred that may indicate that the related asset value may not be recoverable; (ii) whether the carrying value of an asset can be supported by the recoverable amount, being the higher of fair value less costs to sell or net present value of future cash flows which are estimated based upon the continued use of the asset in the business; and (iii) the appropriate key assumptions to be applied in preparing cash flow projections including whether these cash flow projections are discounted using an appropriate discount rate, as well as the reasonableness of growth rates, terminal growth rate, budgeted sales and gross margin. Changing the assumptions selected by management in assessing impairment, including the discount rate or the growth rate assumptions in the cash flow projections, could materially affect the net present value used in the impairment test and as a result affect the Group's financial position and results of operations. If there is a significant adverse change in the projected performance and resulting future cash flow projections, it may be necessary to take an impairment charged to profit or loss. At 31 March 2024, the carrying amount of interests in joint ventures is HK\$205,096,000 (2023: HK\$252,632,000).

Assessment of net realisable value for properties under development for sale and completed properties held for sale Management's assessment of net realisable value of properties under development for sale and completed properties held for sale requires significant management judgement and estimation, in particular in relation to expected future selling prices by reference to recent sale transactions in nearby locations, rate of new property sales, marketing costs (including price discounts required to stimulate sales), the expected costs to completion of properties, the legal and regulatory framework and general market conditions. At 31 March 2024, the carrying amount of properties under development for sale and completed properties held for sale are HK\$297,262,000 and HK\$101,859,000 (2023: HK\$331,872,000 and HK\$153,216,000), respectively.

### Valuation of investment properties

Investment properties are included in the consolidated statement of financial position at their market values, unless they are still in the course of construction or development at the end of the reporting period and their fair value cannot be reliably determined at that time. The market value of investment properties is assessed semi-annually by independent qualified valuers, after taking into consideration other available market survey reports and comparable sales evidences as available on the market. The assumptions adopted in the property valuation include market rents and prices of properties with similar characteristic within the vicinity, the appropriate discount rate and expected future market rents, and comparable market transactions. At 31 March 2024, the carrying amount of investment properties is HK\$154,500,000 (2023: HK\$158,700,000).

### 4. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS (Continued)

### Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

Impairment of trade receivables

The Group's management determines the loss allowances for trade receivables based on assumptions about risk of default and expected loss rates. The Group uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the Group's past event, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period. At 31 March 2024, the carrying amount of trade receivables, net of loss allowance, is HK\$22,277,000 (2023: HK\$27,957,000).

### Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

The following is the critical judgement, apart from those involving estimations (see above), that the directors of the Company have made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements.

### Determination of control over the structured entities

To determine whether the Group controls the structured entities of which the Group acts as an asset manager, management applies judgement based on all relevant fact and circumstance to determine whether the Group is acting as the principal or agent for the structured entities. If the Group is acting as the principal, it has control over the structured entities in assessing whether the Group is acting as the principal, the Group considers factor such as scope of the asset manager's decision-making authority, rights held by other parties, remuneration to which it is entitled, and exposure to variable returns results from its additional involvement with structured entities. The Group will perform reassessment once the fact and circumstance changes leading to changes in above factors.

### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING

### (a) Revenue

The principal activities of the Group are property development, property investment, asset, investment and fund management and distribution of construction and interior decorative materials.

### (i) Disaggregation of revenue

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by major products or service lines is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of HKFRS 15		
– Sales of completed properties	92,590	74,000
- Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials	6,019	-
<ul> <li>Asset, investment and fund management income</li> </ul>	4,734	12,037
<ul> <li>Property management fee and utility income</li> </ul>	132	128
	103,475	86,165
Revenue from other source		
– Rental income	913	1,530
	104,388	87,695

### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

### (a) Revenue (Continued)

(i) Disaggregation of revenue (Continued)

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by timing of revenue recognition and by geographical markets are disclosed in Note 5(b).

For the year ended 31 March 2024, the Group's customer base includes only one customer (2023: one customer) whose transaction has exceeded 10% of the Group's revenue.

For the year ended 31 March 2024, revenue from sales of completed properties to a customer in the United States of America (the "U.S.A") was approximately HK\$92,590,000.

For the year ended 31 March 2023, revenue from sales of completed properties to a customer in Hong Kong was approximately HK\$74,000,000.

(ii) Revenue expected to be recognised in the future arising from contracts with customers in existence at the reporting date

At 31 March 2024, the aggregated amount of the transaction price allocated to the remaining performance obligations under the Group's existing contracts is HK\$75,137,000 (2023: HK\$4,187,000). This amount mainly represents revenue expected to be recognised in the future from pre-completion contracts entered into by the customers with the Group for sales of properties and provision of services during the year. The Group will recognise the expected revenue in the future when the relevant services are provided or the properties are assigned to the customers, which are expected to occur within the next 26 months (31 March 2023: within the next 12 months).

(iii) Total future minimum lease payment receivable by the Group

Total minimum lease payment under non-cancellable operating leases in place at the reporting date will be receivable by the Group in future periods as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Within one year After one year but within five years	750 735	336
	1,485	336

#### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

### (b) Segment reporting

The Group manages its businesses by divisions, which are organised by business lines (products and services). To be consistent with the way how information is reported internally to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and performance assessment, the Group has presented the following four (2023: four) reportable segments. No operating segments have been aggregated to form the following reportable segments.

- (i) Property development
  - This segment derives its revenue from repositioning and value enhancement of property with a focus on development projects in prime locations in Hong Kong and the U.S.A..
- (ii) Property investment
  - This segment derives its revenue from leasing of premises included in the Group's investment properties portfolio in Hong Kong.
- (iii) Asset, investment and fund management

  This segment derives its revenue from investing in and managing a portfolio of real estates in Hong Kong.
- (iv) Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials

  This segment derives its revenue from distribution of stone composite surfaces products in the Greater China region.

For the purposes of assessing segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Group's most senior executive management monitors the results, assets and liabilities attributable to each reportable segment on the following basis:

Segment (loss) profit represents (loss from) profit earned by each segment, excluding income and expenses of the corporate function, such as certain other revenue, certain other net loss, certain administrative and other operating expenses, decrease in fair value of investment properties, finance costs, share of results of associates, share of results of joint ventures and impairment losses on interests in joint ventures.

All assets are allocated to operating segments other than certain other properties, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, interests in associates, interests in joint ventures, financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, certain other receivables, deposits and prepayments, loan to an associate, and bank deposits and cash on hand that are not managed directly by segments.

All liabilities are allocated to operating segments other than certain other payables, lease liabilities, certain bank loans and deferred tax liabilities that are not managed directly by segments.

In addition, management is provided with segment results and information concerning inter-segment revenue, additions of/transfer to other properties, plant and equipment/investment properties at fair value, addition of right-of-use assets, depreciation of other properties, plant and equipment, amortisation of right-of-use assets, (loss) gain on disposal of other properties, plant and equipment and and impairment losses on interests in joint ventures. Inter-segment sales are priced with reference to prices charged to external parties for similar services.

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers by the timing of revenue recognition, as well as information regarding the Group's reportable segments as provided to the Group's most senior executive management for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance for the years ended 31 March 2024 and 2023 is set out below.

### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

### (b) Segment reporting (Continued)

Segment revenues and results

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenues and results by reportable and operating segments:

### For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Property	Property	Asset, investment and fund	Distribution of construction and interior decorative		
	development HK\$'000	investment HK\$'000	management HK\$'000	materials HK\$'000	Elimination HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition						
Point in time Over time	92,590	132	- 4,734	6,019	-	98,609 4,866
Revenue from other source	-	913		_	_	913
External revenue Inter-segment revenue	92,590	1,045 3,549	4,734	6,019	(3,549)	104,388
Total	92,590	4,594	4,734	6,019	(3,549)	104,388
Segment (loss) profit from operations Corporate expenses Corporate income Decrease in fair value of investment properties Finance costs Share of results of associates Share of results of joint ventures Impairment losses on interests in joint ventures	(26,806)	(2,043)	(19,724)	291	_	(48,282) (30,823) 6,103 (4,316) (15,713) (35,216) (12,444) (33,200)
Loss before taxation						(173,891)

### **REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)**

### (b) Segment reporting (Continued)

Segment revenues and results (Continued) For the year ended 31 March 2023

	Property development HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Asset, investment and fund management HK\$'000	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials HK\$'000	Elimination HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
<b>Disaggregated by timing of revenue recognition</b> Point in time Over time	74,000 -	- 128	- 12,037	- -	- -	74,000 12,165
Revenue from other source	-	1,530	_	_		1,530
External revenue Inter-segment revenue	74,000 –	1,658 3,549	12,037	-	(3,549)	87,695 
Total	74,000	5,207	12,037	-	(3,549)	87,695
Segment profit (loss) from operations Corporate expenses Corporate income Decrease in fair value of investment properties Finance costs Share of results of associates Share of results of joint ventures	2,923	(1,866)	(10,233)	2,924	-	(6,252) (26,495) 5,349 (5,916) (12,744) (136,780) (9,012)
Loss before taxation					_	(191,850)

## 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

## (b) Segment reporting (Continued)

Segment assets and liabilities

The following is an analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities by reportable and operating segment:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Segment assets		
Property development	399,189	485,222
Property investment	155,383	159,126
Asset, investment and fund management	14,536	27,359
Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials	9,291	7,514
Total segment assets	578,399	679,221
Other properties, plant and equipment	33,914	34,744
Right-of-use assets	3,442	-
Interests in associates	178,766	213,489
Interests in joint ventures	205,096	252,632
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	7,088	3,351
Loan to an associate	40,000	7,169
Bank deposits and cash on hand	100,897	167,485
Total consolidated assets of the Group	1,147,602	1,358,091
Segment liabilities		
Property development	55,445	98,743
Property investment	38,384	44,728
Asset, investment and fund management	1,471	1,321
Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials	3,659	3,627
Total segment liabilities	98,959	148,419
Other payables	7,565	7,280
Lease liabilities	3,549	_
Bank loans	185,000	172,500
Deferred tax liabilities	1,058	-
Total consolidated liabilities of the Group	296,131	328,199

## **REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)**

## (b) Segment reporting (Continued)

Other segment information

For the year ended 31 March 2024

	Property development HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Asset, investment and fund management HK\$'000	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials HK\$'000	Segment total HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Amounts included in the measure of segment results or segment assets:							
Additions of/transfer to other properties, plant and							
equipment/investment properties at fair value	-	116	-	3	119	833	952
Addition of right-of-use assets	-	-	-	-	-	3,955	3,955
Depreciation of other properties, plant and equipment	-	-	(15)	(1)	(16)	(1,650)	(1,666)
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	-	-	-	-	-	(513)	(513)
(Loss) gain on disposal of other properties,							
plant and equipment	-	-	-	(1)	(1)	1	-
Impairment losses on interests in joint ventures	-	_	_	-	_	(33,200)	(33,200)

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	Property development HK\$'000	Property investment HK\$'000	Asset, investment and fund management HK\$'000	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials HK\$'000	Segment total HK\$'000	Unallocated HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Amounts included in the measure of segment results or segment assets:							
Additions of/transfer to other properties, plant and equipment/investment properties at fair value Depreciation of other properties, plant and equipment Loss on disposal of other properties,	- -	200	15 (36)	- (59)	215 (95)	17 (1,546)	232 (1,641)
plant and equipment	-	_	-	(4)	(4)	(20)	(24)

#### 5. REVENUE AND SEGMENT REPORTING (Continued)

## (b) Segment reporting (Continued)

Geographical segment information

The Group's revenue from external customers attributed to the geographical areas based on the location at which the services were provided or the goods were delivered is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Hong Kong The PRC The U.S.A.	5,779 6,019 92,590	87,695 - -
	104,388	87,695

The analysis above includes rental income from external customers in Hong Kong of HK\$913,000 (2023: HK\$1,530,000).

The Group's information about its non-current assets by location of the assets or by location of the related operations are detailed below:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Hong Kong	547,726	637,783
The PRC	36	35
The U.S.A.	13,550	9,512
Others	14,456	12,299
	575,768	659,629

## 6. OTHER REVENUE

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Interest income on loan to a joint venture Interest income on loan to an associate Interest income on bank deposits Income from loans and other receivables Income from forfeiture of property sales deposits Others	518 3,762 1,134 269 – 1,035	518 32 1,072 2,742 1,751 1,450
	6,718	7,565

#### 7. **OTHER NET LOSS**

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Net foreign exchange loss Loss on disposal of other properties, plant and equipment Loss on disposal of interests in subsidiaries (Note 37) Government grants (Note) Others	(3,923) - - - - 40	(3,608) (24) (102) 564 1,148
	(3,883)	(2,022)

Note: For the year ended 31 March 2024, no subsidies from Employment Support Scheme (2023: HK\$564,000) were granted from the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region related to the employment in Hong Kong. There were no unfulfilled conditions or other contingencies attaching to these grants.

#### 8. LOSS FOR THE YEAR

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Auditor's remuneration		4.000
– Audit services	1,000	1,338
– Non-audit services	150	313
Cost of properties for recognised sales	105,600	62,353
Cost of construction and interior decorative materials	5,210	-
Direct cost for management services provided (Note)	11,692	18,096
Depreciation of other properties, plant and equipment (Note 15)	1,666	1,641
Amortisation of right-of-use assets (Note 16)	513	-
Employee benefit expenses (Note 9)	32,712	32,809
Operating lease payments in respect of leased properties	1,291	184
Direct outgoings of rental, property management fee and utilities	162	251
Reversal of impairment losses of other receivables, deposits and prepayments	_	(419)
Impairment losses of trade receivables, net of reversal	5,041	(4,313)
Write-down on properties for sale (included in cost of sales and services)	9,026	4,442

Note: Direct cost for management services provided includes HK\$10,250,000 (2023: HK\$15,401,000) relating to staff costs which are also included in the respective total amount disclosed separately above.

## 9. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT EXPENSES (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' EMOLUMENTS)

#### **Employee benefit expenses**

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Salaries, wages and other benefits Retirement benefit schemes contributions (Note)	32,109 603	32,156 653
	32,712	32,809

#### Note:

The Group operates a mandatory provident fund scheme for all qualifying employees in Hong Kong. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Group, in funds under the control of trustees. The Group contributes at the lower of HK\$1,500 or 5% of the relevant payroll costs to the scheme per month, which contribution is matched by employees.

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

The U.S.A. subsidiary, which participates in the U.S.A. government benefit scheme, is required to contribute to the scheme for the retirement benefits of eligible employees. The government authorities are responsible for the entire benefit obligations payable to the retired employees. The only obligation of the Group with respect to the scheme is to pay the ongoing contributions required by the scheme. The Group's contributions to the aforesaid defined contribution retirement scheme are calculated either based on certain percentages of the applicable payroll costs or fixed sums that are determined with reference to the salary scale as stipulated under the requirements of the respective territories and are charged to the profit or loss as incurred.

## Five highest paid individuals

For the year ended 31 March 2024, the five individuals whose emoluments were the highest in the Group include two (2023: three) directors whose emolument are reflected in the analysis in Note 10. During the year ended 31 March 2024, the emolument paid/payable to the remaining three (2023: two) individuals is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Salaries, wages and other benefits Retirement benefit scheme contribution	5,419 105	3,145 36
	5,524	3,181
	Number of 2024	individuals 2023
Emolument bands:		
HK\$1,000,001 to HK\$1,500,000 HK\$1,500,001 to HK\$2,000,000 HK\$2,000,001 to HK\$2,500,000	- 2 1	1 1 -
	3	2

## 10. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S EMOLUMENTS

Directors' and Chief Executive Officer's remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the applicable Listing Rules and Companies Ordinance, were as follows:

2024	Fee HK\$'000	Salary HK\$'000	Discretionary bonuses HK\$'000	Allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Contribution to a retirement benefit scheme HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Executive directors						
Mr. Chan William Mr. Yip Chun Kwok	-	10,470	2,490	-	18	12,978
(resigned on 30 September 2023)	_	1,140	_	_	9	1,149
Mr. Lo Hoi Wah, Heywood	-	2,310	540	-	18	2,868
	-	13,920	3,030	-	45	16,995
Non-executive director						
Mr. Ng Tak Kwan	768	_		_		768
Independent non-executive directors						
Mr. To King Yan, Adam	216	_	_	_	_	216
Mr. Wong Hoi Ki (resigned on 15 August 2023)	81	_	_	_	_	81
Mr. Ho Kwok Wah, George	216	-	-	-	-	216
Ms. Khan Sabrina	442					442
(appointed on 15 August 2023)	113	-	_			113
	626	_	_			626
Total	1,394	13,920	3,030		45	18,389

### 10. DIRECTORS' AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S EMOLUMENTS (Continued)

2023	Fee HK\$'000	Salary HK\$'000	Discretionary bonuses HK\$'000	Allowances and benefits in kind HK\$'000	Contribution to a retirement benefit scheme HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Executive directors  Mr. Chan William		0.070	2.050		18	11.020
	-	9,870	2,050	_		11,938
Mr. Yip Chun Kwok	-	2,190	450	-	18	2,658
Mr. Lo Hoi Wah, Heywood		2,070	425		18	2,513
_	-	14,130	2,925	-	54	17,109
Non-executive director						
Mr. Ng Tak Kwan	768	-	-	-	-	768
Independent non-executive directors						
Mr. To King Yan, Adam	216	-	-	-	-	216
Mr. Wong Hoi Ki	216	-	-	-	-	216
Mr. Ho Kwok Wah, George	216	-	-	-	-	216
·						
	648	-	-	-	-	648
Total	1,416	14,130	2,925	-	54	18,525

The executive directors' emoluments shown above were mainly for their services in connection with the management of the affairs of the Company and the Group and for their services as directors of the Company.

The non-executive director's and independent non-executive directors' emoluments shown above were mainly for their services as directors of the Company.

Mr. Chan William is also the chief executive officer of the Company and his emoluments disclosed above include those for services rendered by him as the chief executive officer of the Company.

The discretionary bonus is determined by reference to the performance of the individual directors and the Group and approved by the remuneration committee.

For the years ended 31 March 2024 and 2023, no emoluments were paid by the Group to the directors as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as a compensation for loss of office. No directors waived any emoluments during these periods.

#### 11. FINANCE COSTS

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Interest expenses on bank loans Interest expense on lease liabilities Less: interest expenses capitalised into properties under development for sale (Note)	16,528 122 (937)	12,985 - (241)
	15,713	12,744

Note: Borrowing costs capitalised during the year are calculated by applying capitalisation rates of approximately 4% (2023: 4%) per annum to expenditures on qualifying assets.

#### 12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Income tax recognised in profit or loss:		
Current tax  – Withholding tax on dividend distributions  – Other jurisdictions	1,217 -	- 338
	1,217	338
(Over)/under provision in previous year  – Hong Kong Profits Tax  – Other jurisdictions	- -	(8) 42
	-	34
Deferred tax (Note 31)  – Charged to profit or loss	1,058	-
	2,275	372

No provision for Hong Kong Profits Tax has been made in the consolidated financial statements as the Group did not have any assessable profits for both years.

Overseas tax is calculated at the rates prevailing in the relevant jurisdictions.

Under the PRC Enterprise Income Tax Law (the "EIT Law") and the Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, withholding tax of 5% or 10% is payable in respect of dividends by PRC entities from 1 January 2018 onwards. During the year ended 31 March 2024, a withholding tax of HK\$1,159,000 (2023: HK\$Nil) has been recognised upon distribution of dividends from a PRC subsidiary of the Group. The remaining withholding tax of HK\$58,000 (2023: HK\$Nil) has been recognised upon distribution of dividends from a subsidiary of the Group in Canada.

#### 12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE (Continued)

The tax expense for the year can be reconciled to the loss before taxation per consolidated income statement as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Loss before taxation	(173,891)	(191,850)
Notional tax on loss before taxation, calculated at rates applicable to loss		
in the jurisdictions concerned	(30,337)	(31,860)
Tax effects of: Share of results of joint ventures	2,053	1,487
Share of results of associates	5,811	22,569
Non-taxable income	(2,783)	(2,692)
Non-deductible expenses	7,301	4,971
Under-provision in prior year Tax losses not recognised	19,302	34 6,708
Utilisation of tax losses previously not recognised	(2)	(1,074)
Deferred tax liabilities arising on undistributed profit	1,058	_
Others	(128)	229
	2.275	272
	2,275	372

For the year ended 31 March 2024, share of associates' income tax credit of approximately HK\$10,000 (2023: HK\$853,000) and share of joint ventures' income tax expenses of HK\$924,000 (2023: HK\$2,058,000) are included in the share of results of associates and share of results of joint ventures respectively.

#### 13. LOSS PER SHARE

The calculation of the loss per share is based on the loss for the year attributable to owners of the Company of HK\$173,886,000 (2023: HK\$189,329,000) and 375,447,000 (2023: 375,447,000) ordinary shares in issue during the year.

No diluted loss per share in both years was presented as there were no potential ordinary shares outstanding during both years.

#### 14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
At valuation: At the beginning of the year Disposal of interests in subsidiaries (Note 37) Transfer (Note) Decrease in fair value of investment properties	158,700 - 116 (4,316)	362,500 (198,000) 116 (5,916)
At the end of the year	154,500	158,700

Note: During the year ended 31 March 2024, completed properties held for sale at cost of approximately HK\$116,000 (2023: HK\$116,000) were transferred from "properties for sale" to "investment properties" as a result of change in use. The properties were measured at fair value at the time of transfer amounting to HK\$200,000 (2023: HK\$200,000) and revaluation surplus of approximately HK\$84,000 (2023: HK\$84,000) have been dealt with in the consolidated income statement.

At 31 March 2024, investment properties of HK\$152,200,000 (2023: HK\$156,400,000) were pledged as securities for bank loans (Note 27(d)).

#### Valuation processes

The investment properties in Hong Kong were revalued at 31 March 2024 by Asset Appraisal Limited (2023: Asset Appraisal Limited), an independent firm of surveyors who has among their staff Fellows of the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors with recent experience in the locations and categories of the properties being valued.

The board of directors reviews the valuations performed by the independent valuer for financial reporting purposes by verifying all major inputs and assessing the reasonableness of the property valuations. Valuation reports with an analysis of changes in fair value measurement are prepared at each interim and annual reporting date, and are reviewed and approved by the board of directors.

#### Information about Level 3 fair value measurements

	Valuation approach	Significant unobservable inputs
Investment properties  – Hong Kong	Direct comparison approach	Adjusted market price per square foot HK\$13,440 to HK\$14,000 (2023: HK\$14,100 to HK\$14,400)

## 15. OTHER PROPERTIES, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	<b>Buildings</b> HK\$'000	Leasehold improvements HK\$'000	Furniture, fixtures and equipment HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
At cost:				
At 1 April 2022 Additions Disposals Exchange adjustments	47,485 - - -	7,429 - - (23)	3,482 32 (341) (11)	58,396 32 (341) (34)
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023 Additions Disposals Exchange adjustments	47,485 - - -	7,406 196 - (10)	3,162 640 (68) (3)	58,053 836 (68) (13)
At 31 March 2024	47,485	7,592	3,731	58,808
Accumulated depreciation:				
At 1 April 2022 Charged for the year Disposals Exchange adjustments	11,418 1,427 - -	7,370 22 - (20)	3,162 192 (317) (9)	21,950 1,641 (317) (29)
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023 Charged for the year Disposals Exchange adjustments	12,845 1,427 – –	7,372 42 - (9)	3,028 197 (56) (2)	23,245 1,666 (56) (11)
At 31 March 2024	14,272	7,405	3,167	24,844
Net book value:				
At 31 March 2024	33,213	187	564	33,964
At 31 March 2023	34,640	34	134	34,808

At 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023, all buildings are pledged as securities for bank loans (Note 27(d)).

### 16. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

		Office premise HK\$'000
At 31 March 2024 Carrying amount		3,442
At 31 March 2023		5,112
Carrying amount		
For the year ended 31 March 2024 Amortisation charge		513
For the year ended 31 March 2023 Amortisation charge		_
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Expense relating to short-term leases	1,291	184
Total cash outflows for leases	1,820	184
Additions to right-of-use assets	3,955	-

During the year ended 31 March 2024, the Group entered into a lease for office premise. Lease contract is entered into for a fixed term of approximately 7 years. In determining the lease term and assessing the length of the non-cancellable period, the Group applies the definition of a contract and determines the period for which the contract is enforceable.

The Group regularly entered into short-term leases for car parks, warehouses and office premises with the corresponding short-term lease expense disclosed above.

#### Restrictions or covenants on lease

As at 31 March 2024, lease liabilities of HK\$3,549,000 (2023: HK\$Nil) are recognised with related right-of-use asset in respect of a leased office premise amounting to HK\$3,442,000 (2023: HK\$Nil). The lease agreement for leased office premise does not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased office premise that is held by the lessor. Leased office premise may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

#### 17. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES AND LOAN TO AN ASSOCIATE

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Share of net assets	11,596	15,576
Amounts due from associates (Note (g)) Share of net liabilities	323,954 (156,784)	323,461 (125,548)
	167,170	197,913
	178,766	213,489
Loan to an associate (Note (h))	40,000	7,169

Set out below are associates of the Group at 31 March 2024 which, in the opinion of the directors of the Company, are material to the Group. All of which are unlisted corporate entities or limited partnerships whose quoted market prices are not available.

Name of entity	Form of business structure	Place of incorporation and business	Particulars of issued and paid up capital	effective	rtion of e interest he Group	power he	n of voting eld at the directors	Principal activity
	1			2021	2023	2021	2023	
Fastest Runner Limited ("Fastest Runner") (Note (a))	Incorporated	British Virgin Islands ("BVI")	United States Dollar ("US\$")100	24.2%	24.2%	33%	33%	Investment holding
Dynamic Power Global Limited (Note (a))	Incorporated	BVI	US\$1	24.2%	24.2%	33%	33%	Investment holding
Capital Universal Investment Limited (Note (a))	Incorporated	Hong Kong	HK\$10,000,000	24.2%	24.2%	33%	33%	Property development
Rykadan Real Estate Fund LP ("RREFLP") (Notes (a) and (c))	Limited partnership	Cayman Islands	-	5.3%	5.3%	33%	33%	Investment holding
Rykadan Real Estate Prospect Fund LP ("RREPFLP") (Notes (b) and (d))	Limited partnership	Cayman Islands	-	1%	1%	33%	33%	Investment holding
Waltz Delight Limited ("Waltz Delight") (Note (b))	Incorporated	BVI	US\$1,000	12.5%	12.5%	33%	33%	Investment holding
Graphite Square Investment Holding Limited ("GSIH") (Note (e))	Incorporated	Hong Kong	HK\$212,500	25%	25%	25%	25%	Investment holding
Vibrant Colour Holdings Limited ("Vibrant Colour") (Note (f))	Incorporated	BVI	US\$100	20%	20%	33%	33%	Investment holding

#### 17. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES AND LOAN TO AN ASSOCIATE (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) Dynamic Power Global Limited and Capital Universal Investment Limited are the wholly-owned subsidiaries of Fastest Runner. The 20% equity interest in Fastest Runner held by the Group is accounted for as interests in associates in the consolidated financial statements using equity method. The remaining 80% equity interest in Fastest Runner is held by RREFLP. Moreover, given that the Group is able to exercise significant influence over RREFLP as the Group has one representative on the Investment Committee which comprised of three members, pursuant to the limited partnership agreement that was entered into by the Group acting as general partner with other limited partners, the 5.26% equity interest in RREFLP is accounted for as interests in associates in the consolidated financial statements using equity method.
  - At 31 March 2024, the Group's effective interest in Fastest Runner is approximately 24.21% (2023: 24.21%).
- (b) As part of the arrangement between the Group and RREPFLP, in which the Group had 1% equity interest, for the sole purpose of the development of the property located in Wan Chai, Hong Kong, on 26 April 2018, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Group transferred 88.4% equity interest in Waltz Delight, an indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company at 31 March 2018, to RREPFLP at a consideration of US\$884 (equivalent to approximately HK\$6,950). After the transfer of equity interest in Waltz Delight mentioned above, Waltz Delight became an associate of the Group and Waltz Delight had not carried on any business prior to the transfer. The remaining 11.6% equity interest in Waltz Delight is accounted for as interests in associates in the consolidated financial statements using equity method as the Group had power to appoint one out of three directors of Waltz Delight pursuant to the shareholders' agreement. Moreover, given that the Group is able to exercise significant influence over RREPFLP as the Group has one representative on the Investment Committee which comprised of three members, pursuant to the limited partnership agreement that was entered into by the Group acting as general partner with other limited partners, the 1% equity interest in RREPFLP is accounted for as interests in associates in the consolidated financial statements using equity method.
- (c) At 31 March 2024, RREFLP's aggregate capital contribution was HK\$909,545,000 (2023: HK\$909,545,000).
- (d) At 31 March 2024, RREPFLP's aggregate capital contribution was HK\$149,353,000 (2023: HK\$149,353,000).
- (e) During the year ended 31 March 2022, Brisk City Developments Limited ("Brisk City"), an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, Excel Arrow Limited and Ocean Field Industries Limited which are independent third parties of the Company (collectively, the "Independent Third-party Co-investors"), acquired 25%, 25% and 50% equity interest in GSIH with cash consideration of HK\$53,125, HK\$53,125 and HK\$106,250, respectively. Given that the Group is able to exercise significant influence over GSIH since it has the power to appoint one out of four directors of GSIH pursuant to the shareholders' agreement entered between Brisk City and the Independent Third-party Co-investors, the 25% equity interest in GSIH is accounted for as interests in associates in the consolidated financial statements using equity method. GSIH formed a partnership, Graphite Square LLP, with Graphite Square Holdings Limited, an independent third party, for the sole purpose of developing a property located in the United Kingdom (the "U.K.").
- (f) Upon completion of the disposal of 80% equity interest in Vibrant Colour and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Vibrant Colour Group") on 17 January 2023 (as detailed in Note 37), the Group is able to exercise significant influence over Vibrant Colour because it has the power to appoint one out of three directors of Vibrant Colour pursuant to the shareholders' deed, as such the retained 20% equity interest in Vibrant Colour Group is accounted for as interests in associates in the consolidated financial statements using equity method.
- (g) At 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023, the amounts due from associates are interest-free, unsecured and have no fixed terms of repayment. As the settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur in the foreseeable future, directors of the Company consider the amounts due from associates in substance form part of the net investment.
- (h) At 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023, the loan to an associate of HK\$40,000,000 (2023: HK\$7,169,000) is interest bearing at 15% per annum, unsecured and repayable within one year.
- (i) Summarised financial information of a material associate
  - Set out below is the summarised financial information of a material associate, Fastest Runner and its subsidiaries ("Fastest Runner Group") at 31 March 2024, adjusted for any differences in accounting policies of the Group and reconciled to the carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements.

## 17. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES AND LOAN TO AN ASSOCIATE (Continued)

Notes: (Continued)

(i) Summarised financial information of a material associate (Continued)

	Fastest Runner Group	
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Current assets Current liabilities	870,692 (1,568,635)	1,803,467 (2,387,146
Net liabilities	(697,943)	(583,679
Revenue	972,718	-
Loss for the year	(114,264)	(563,271
Total comprehensive income for the year	(114,264)	(563,271
Reconciled to the Group's interest in the associate		
Gross amounts of consolidated net liabilities of the associate Groups interest held through an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company Group's share of consolidated net liabilities of the associate and carrying amount	(697,943) 20%	(583,679 20%
in the consolidated financial statements  Amount due from Fastest Runner Group	(139,589) 219,510	(116,736 219,640
	79,921	102,904
Group's share of associate's loss for the year	(22,853)	(112,654
Aggregate information of associates that are not individually material:		
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Aggregate carrying amount of individually immaterial associates		
in the consolidated financial statements Aggregate amounts due from associates	(5,599) 104,444	6,76 <u>-</u> 103,82
	98,845	110,58
Aggregate amounts of the Group's share of these associates' loss and total comprehensive income for the year	(12,363)	(24,126

#### 18. INTERESTS IN JOINT VENTURES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Share of net assets	14,472	12,337
Amounts due from joint ventures (Note (e)) Share of net liabilities Less: impairment losses (Note (d))	292,534 (68,710) (33,200)	292,566 (52,271) –
	190,624	240,295
	205,096	252,632

At 31 March 2024, the Group had interests in the following joint ventures, all of which are unlisted corporate entities whose quoted market prices are not available.

Name of entity	Form of business structure	Place of incorporation and business	Particulars of issued and paid up capital/ registered capital	effective eq held by t	tion of uity interest he Group	Principal activity
				2024	2023	
RS Hospitality Private Limited	Incorporated	Bhutan	Bhutan Ngultrum 239,400,000	50%	50%	Operation of boutique resorts
Quarella Holdings Limited	Incorporated	BVI	US\$2	43.5%	43.5%	Investment holding
Quarella Group Limited (Note (a))	Incorporated	Hong Kong	HK\$1	43.5%	43.5%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials
Q.R.B.G. S.r.L. (Note (a))	Incorporated	Italy	Euro ("EUR") 5,000,000	43.5%	43.5%	Manufacturing and distribution of engineered stone composite surfaces products
廈門可維萊石材有限公司 (Notes (a) and (b))	Incorporated	The PRC	Renminbi ("RMB") 100,000,000	43.5%	43.5%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials
意特利建材 (深圳) 有限公司 (Notes (a) and (b))	Incorporated	The PRC	RMB10,000,000	43.5%	43.5%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials
Star Wonder Investments Limited (Note (a))	Incorporated	Hong Kong	HK\$1	43.5%	43.5%	Investment holding
Quarella Building Materials (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (Note (a))	Incorporated	Malaysia	Malaysian Ringgit 100	N/A	43.5%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials
RBD Properties LLC (Note (c))	Incorporated	The U.S.A.	-	50%	50%	Property development

### 18. INTERESTS IN JOINT VENTURES (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) These companies are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Quarella Holdings Limited.
- (b) These entities are foreign owned enterprise established in the PRC.
- (c) According to the operating agreement, the members transfer funds from time to time as a capital contribution. No capital contribution will be required from the members otherwise required by law.
- (d) Summarised financial information of a material joint venture

Set out below is the summarised financial information of a material joint venture, Quarella Holdings Limited and its subsidiaries ("Quarella Group") at 31 March 2024, adjusted for any differences in accounting policies of the Group and reconciled to the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements.

	Quarell	Quarella Group	
	2024	2023	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Current assets	434,637	470,548	
Non-current assets	196,162	209,600	
Current liabilities	(755,314)	(768,855)	
Non-current liabilities	(12,627)	(15,517)	
Net liabilities	(137,142)	(104,224)	
Net liabilities	(137,142)	(104,224)	
Included in the above assets and liabilities:			
Cash and cash equivalents	76,561	70,614	
Current financial liabilities (excluding trade and other payables)	(567,463)	(568,267)	
Non-current financial liabilities (excluding trade and other payables)	(7,387)	(8,029)	
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D	212.271	406.073	
Revenue	313,271	486,973	
Loss for the year	(29,261)	(18,461)	
Other comprehensive income	(3,657)	(8,436)	
Total comprehensive income for the year	(32,918)	(26,897)	
Total completions we income for the year	(32,510)	(20,037)	
Included in the above loss:			
Depreciation and amortisation	(22,529)	(15,295)	
Interest income	962	191	
Interest expense	(384)	(482)	
Income tax expense	(1,848)	(4,116)	
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#### 18. INTERESTS IN JOINT VENTURES (Continued)

Notes: (Continued)

(d) Summarised financial information of a material joint venture (Continued)

	Quarella Group	
	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Reconciled to the Group's interest in the joint venture		
Gross amounts of consolidated net liabilities of the joint venture	(137,142)	(104,224)
Group's effective interest	43.5%	43.5%
Groups share of consolidated net liabilities of the joint venture (effective interest)	(59,657)	(45,337)
Non-controlling interests' share of consolidated net liabilities of the joint venture	(8,914)	(6,775)
Unrealised profits resulting from transactions between the Group and the joint venture	(139)	(159)
Amount due from Quarella Group	283,116	283,116
Less: impairment losses	(33,200)	
Carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements	181,206	230,845
Group's share of joint venture's loss	(14,610)	(9,151)

Due to the unsatisfactory financial performance of the Quarella Group in the second half of the financial year of 2024, management concluded there was indication for impairment and conducted impairment assessment on recoverable amounts of the Quarella Group.

The recoverable amount of the Quarella Group has been determined based on its value-in-use. The Group estimates the value-in-use of the Quarella Group using a discount rate of 12% and perpetual growth rate of 3%. The Quarella Group is impaired to its recoverable amount of HK\$181,206,000, which is its carrying value (including the amount due from Quarella Group) at year end and the impairment of HK\$33,200,000 has been recognised in profit or loss during the year.

- (e) At 31 March 2024, the amount due from a joint venture of US\$1,200,000 (equivalent to HK\$9,418,000) (2023: US\$1,200,000 (equivalent to HK\$9,450,000)) is interest bearing at 5.5% (2023: 5.5%) per annum, unsecured and has no fixed terms of repayment. The remaining balance of HK\$283,116,000 (2023: HK\$283,116,000) is interest-free, unsecured and has no fixed terms of repayment, as the settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur in the foreseeable future, directors of the Company consider the amounts due from joint ventures in substance form part of the net investment.
- (f) Aggregate information of joint ventures that are not individually material:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Aggregate carrying amount of individually immaterial joint ventures		
in the consolidated financial statements	14,472	12,337
Amount due from a joint venture	9,418	9,450
	23,890	21,787
Aggregate amounts of the Group's share of these joint ventures:		
Profit for the year	2,166	139
Other comprehensive income for the year	(31)	(233)
Total comprehensive income for the year	2,135	(94)

#### 19. FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

## Unlisted equity securities designated at FVTOCI (non-recycling)

The unlisted equity securities of HK\$15,850,000 are shares in a company incorporated in Hong Kong and engaged in investment holding and rendering of co-working space services. The Group designated this investment at FVTOCI (non-recycling) as the investment is held for strategic purposes. The aggregate net fair value loss of HK\$15,850,000 was charged to equity in prior years. No dividends were received from this investment during the years ended 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023.

#### 20. PROPERTIES FOR SALE

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Completed properties held for sale Properties under development for sale	101,859 297,262	153,216 331,872
	399,121	485,088
(a) Properties for sales of the Group are located:		
	2024 HK\$′000	2023 HK\$'000
In Hong Kong Outside Hong Kong	6,583 392,538	6,699 478,389
	399,121	485,088

<sup>(</sup>b) At 31 March 2024, properties under development for sale of HK\$297,262,000 (2023: HK\$292,652,000) are expected to be completed after more than one year.

## 21. INVENTORIES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Construction and interior decorative materials:		
Finished goods	797	2,545

<sup>(</sup>c) At 31 March 2024, properties for sales of HK\$101,859,000 (2023: HK\$192,436,000) were pledged as securities for bank loans. (Note 27(d)).

#### 22. TRADE RECEIVABLES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Trade receivables Less: loss allowance	65,270 (44,316)	69,290 (41,333)
Bills receivables	20,954 1,323	27,957 –
	22,277	27,957

At 1 April 2022, trade receivables, net of loss allowance for contracts with customers amounted to HK\$21,891,000.

At 31 March 2024, the ageing analysis of the trade receivables based on invoice date, net of loss allowance, is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
1 – 30 days 31 – 60 days 61 – 90 days Over 90 days	2,082 361 361 19,473	74 - - 27,883
	22,277	27,957

The Group negotiates with customers on individual basis in accordance with contract terms, i.e. an average credit period of 90 days (2023: 90 days) after the issuance of invoices, except for sales of properties the proceeds from which are receivable pursuant to the terms of agreements, rental income which are receivable in the month the tenants use the premises and property management fee and utility income and asset, investment and fund management income which are receivable in the month the Group provides the services.

The Group applies the HKFRS 9 simplified approach to measuring ECLs which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables.

Information about the Group's exposure to credit risk are set out in Note 33.

#### 22. TRADE RECEIVABLES (Continued)

Movements in the loss allowance account in respect of trade receivables is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
At the beginning of the year Impairment losses recognised during the year Reversal of impairment loss of trade receivables Uncollectible amounts written off Exchange differences	41,333 10,274 (5,233) (645) (1,413)	49,125 144 (4,457) – (3,479)
At the end of the year	44,316	41,333

The creation and release of loss allowance for impaired trade receivables was charged to the profit or loss. Amounts charged to the allowance account are generally written off when there is no expectation of recovering the amount.

### 23. OTHER RECEIVABLES, DEPOSITS AND PREPAYMENTS

		2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
	Deposits and prepayments Loans and other receivables	1,918 6,824	1,901 6,317
		8,742	8,218
24.	BANK DEPOSITS AND CASH ON HAND		
		2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
	Cash at banks and on hand	100,897	167,485

At 31 March 2024, bank deposits and cash on hand include HK\$8,532,000 (2023: HK\$33,637,000) which are denominated in RMB, the remittance of which is subject to relevant rules and regulations of foreign exchange control promulgated by the PRC government.

#### 25. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Trade payables Deposits received from tenants Other payables and accruals	983 169 12,452	882 180 12,841
	13,604	13,903
At 31 March 2024, the ageing analysis of trade payables, based on invoice date, is as follows:	ows:	
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
1 – 30 days 31 – 60 days	949	847 –
61 – 90 days Over 90 days	- 34	– 35
	983	882
CONTRACT LIABILITIES		
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Asset, investment and fund management services		

At 1 April 2022, contract liabilities amounted to HK\$7,507,000.

- Receipt in advance from customers

The Group would receive advance payments from customers in accordance with the services agreements when providing the asset, investment and fund management services. These advance payments received are recognised as contract liabilities for unsatisfied performance obligations and are recognised as revenue when the Group provides the services to the customers. All the contract liabilities are expected to be recognised as income within one year.

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The following table shows how much of the revenue recognised in the current year relates to carried-forward contract liabilities.

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Revenue recognised that was included in the contract liabilities balance at the beginning of the year	280	7,507

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## 27. BANK LOANS

The analysis of the carrying amount of bank loans is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Current liabilities Bank loans contain a repayable on demand clause or due within one year (Note (f)) Bank loans due after one year which contain a repayment on demand clause	227,460 30,111	60,108 156,769
	257,571	216,877
Non-current liabilities Bank loans	18,522	95,922
At 31 March 2024, the bank loans are due for repayment as follows:		
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Portion of bank loans repayable on demand or due for repayment within one year	227,460	60,108
Bank loans due for repayment after one year (Notes (g) and (h)): After one year but within two years After two years but within five years After five years	7,855 40,778 –	142,141 104,210 6,340
	48,633	252,691
	276,093	312,799
At 31 March 2024, the secured bank loans and unsecured bank loan are as follows:		
	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Secured bank loans Unsecured bank loan	156,093 120,000	192,799 120,000
	276,093	312,799

#### 27. BANK LOANS (Continued)

Notes:

- (a) At 31 March 2024, bank loans drawn in Hong Kong bear interest at the rates ranging from 1.8% to 2.3% (2023: 1.7% to 2.3%) per annum over Hong Kong Interbank Offered Rate. The interests are repriced monthly (2023: monthly).
- (b) At 31 March 2024, bank loan drawn in Macau bears interest at 1.25% (2023: 1.25%) per annum below the prime rate determined by the lending bank.
- (c) At 31 March 2024, bank loans drawn in the U.S.A. bear interest at the rates ranging from 3.8% to 4.0% (2023: 3.8% to 4.0%) per annum.
- (d) At 31 March, certain of the banking facilities of the Group were secured by mortgages over:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Investment properties (Note 14) Buildings (Note 15) Properties for sale (Note 20)	152,200 33,213 101,859	156,400 34,640 192,436
	287,272	383,476

Such banking facilities amounted to HK\$157,199,000 (2023: HK\$279,097,000) were utilised to the extent of HK\$156,093,000 at 31 March 2024 (2023: HK\$192,799,000).

(e) Certain of the Group's banking facilities are subject to the fulfilment of covenants relating to certain of the Group's statement of financial position ratios. If the Group was to breach the covenants, the utilised facilities would become repayable on demand. The Group regularly monitors its compliance with these covenants.

During the year, in respect of bank loans of HK\$185,000,000 utilised out of the relevant bank facilities of HK\$237,500,000 granted from relevant bankers at 31 March 2024, the Group has failed to satisfy one of the financial covenants which is the net worth requirement stipulated in relevant banking facility agreements. The directors of the Company are in discussion with the relevant bankers for the necessary waivers and renegotiating with them on the terms of the relevant bank loans. At 31 March 2024, those negotiations had not been concluded and the relevant bank loans which are originally due within one year, could be immediately due and payable.

Up to the date of approval for issuance of the consolidated financial statements, the negotiations are still in progress and the Group is yet to obtain the relevant waivers from the relevant bankers, who have not made any demand for immediate repayment of the relevant bank loans. Based on the communication and prior negotiation experiences with the relevant bankers, the directors of the Company are confident that the necessary waivers will be obtained or the relevant bankers and the Group will be able to reach mutually acceptable revised terms regarding the relevant bank loans. In any event, should the relevant bankers call for immediate repayment of the bank loans, there are adequate alternative sources of finance available to ensure that there is no threat to the continuing operations of the Group.

- (f) For the bank loans with amount of HK\$227,460,000 (2023: HK\$60,108,000) which are repayable within one year, HK\$192,855,000 (2023: HK\$60,108,000) of which contain repayable on demand clauses.
- (g) The amounts due are based on the scheduled repayment dates set out in bank loan agreements and ignore the effect of any repayment on demand clause.
- (h) Certain of the Group's bank loan agreements contain clauses which give the lenders the right at their sole discretion to demand immediate repayment at any time irrespective of whether the Group has met the scheduled repayment obligations.

The Group does not consider it probably that the banks will exercise their discretion to demand immediate repayment so long as the Group continues to meet the scheduled repayment obligations.

#### 28. LEASE LIABILITIES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Lease liabilities payable:		
Within one year After one year but within two years After two years but within five years After five years	527 571 2,004 447	- - - -
Less: Amount due for settlement within 12 months shown under current liabilities	3,549 (527)	- -
Amount due for settlement after 12 months shown under non-current liabilities	3,022	

The weighted average incremental borrowing rates applied to lease liabilities is 3.88%.

## 29. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of ordinary shares of HK\$0.01 each	Share capital HK\$'000
Ordinary shares, issued and fully paid At 1 April 2022, 31 March 2023, 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024	375,447	3,754

There was no movement in the Company's share capital during both years.

## 30. DIVIDENDS

No dividend had been paid or declared during the year. The board of directors does not recommend the payment of a dividend for the year ended 31 March 2024 (2023: HK\$NiI).

#### 31. DEFERRED TAX

(a) Deferred tax (assets) liabilities recognised:

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

	Accelerated tax		Distributable profits of	
Deferred income tax (assets) liabilities	depreciation	Tax losses	subsidiaries	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 April 2022	5,000	(5,000)	_	_
Disposal of interests in subsidiaries	(666)	666	_	-
Charged (credited) to profit or loss	563	(563)	-	
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023	4,897	(4,897)	_	-
Charged (credited) to profit or loss	561	(561)	1,058	1,058
At 31 March 2024	5,458	(5,458)	1,058	1,058

#### (b) Deferred tax assets not recognised:

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the following items:

	20	24	202	23
		Deferred		Deferred
	Tax losses	tax assets	Tax losses	tax assets
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Hong Kong	304,307	50,211	252,010	41,582
Outside Hong Kong	87,197	18,390	36,782	7,618
	391,504	68,601	288,792	49,200

The Group has not recognised the deferred tax assets attributable to the future benefit of tax losses sustained in the operations of certain subsidiaries as the availability of future taxable profits against which the assets can be utilised is uncertain at the end of the reporting period. Except for the tax losses arising from the operations in the PRC can be carried forward to offset against taxable profits of subsequent years for up to five years from the year in which they arose and the tax losses arising in tax years ending before 1 January 2018 from the operations in the U.S.A. will be expired in twenty years after the relevant accounting year end date, the remaining tax losses can be carried forward indefinitely and have no expiry date.

#### (c) Deferred tax liabilities not recognised:

Under the EIT Law and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, withholding tax is imposed on dividends declared in respect of profits earned by the PRC subsidiaries from 1 January 2008 onwards. As at 31 March 2024, deferred taxation has not been provided for in the consolidated financial statements in respect of temporary differences attributable to accumulated profits of the PRC subsidiaries amounting to HK\$Nil (2023: HK\$48,070,000) as the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences. It was probable that the temporary differences would not reverse in the foreseeable future as at 31 March 2023.

#### 32. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from prior year.

The capital structure of the Group consists of debts, which include the bank loans and lease liabilities, and equity attributable to owners of the Company, comprising issued share capital and various reserves.

The directors of the Company review the capital structure on a regular basis. As part of this review, the directors consider the cost of capital and the risks associated with each class of capital. Based on recommendations of the directors of the Company, the Group will balance its overall capital structure through the payment of dividends, new share issues and share buy-backs as well as the raise new debts or the redemption of existing debts.

Furthermore, consistent with others in the industry, the Group monitors capital on the basis of the net gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by equity attributable to owners the Company. Net debt is calculated as total interest-bearing bank loans (including current and non-current bank loans as shown in the consolidated statement of financial position) less unrestricted bank deposits and cash on hand.

At 31 March 2024, the net gearing ratio was 20.3% (2023: 14.0%) as the Group has net debt of HK\$175,196,000 (2023: HK\$145,314,000).

#### 33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### Categories of financial instruments

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Financial assets at amortised cost		
Trade receivables	22,277	27,957
Other receivables and deposits	7,133	6,855
Loan to an associate	40,000	7,169
Bank deposits and cash on hand	100,897	167,485
	170,307	209,466
Financial liabilities at amortised cost		
Trade and other payables	11,397	10,316
Bank loans	276,093	312,799
	287,490	323,115

#### Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group's major financial instruments include trade receivables, other receivables and deposits, loan to an associate, bank deposits and cash on hand, trade and other payables, bank loans and lease liabilities. Details of the financial instruments are disclosed in the respective notes. The risks associated with these financial instruments include market risk (currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The policies on how to mitigate these risks are set out below. Management manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented on a timely and effective manner.

#### Market risk

Currency risk

The Group is exposed to currency risk primarily through sales and purchases giving rise to receivables, payables and cash balances that are denominated in a foreign currency, i.e. currency other than the functional currency of the operations to which the transactions relates. The currencies giving rise to this risk are primarily EUR, US\$, RMB, British Pound ("GBP"), Singaporean Dollar ("SGD") and Canadian Dollar ("CAD").

The Group currently does not have a foreign currencies hedging policy. However, management of the Group monitors the foreign currencies exposure of each business segment and will consider hedging significant currency risk exposure should the need arise.

#### Exposure to currency risk

The following table details the Group's exposure at the end of the reporting period to currency risk arising from recognised assets or liabilities (other than inter-company balances) denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the entity to which they relate. For presentation purposes, the amounts of the exposure are shown in HK\$, translated using the spot rate at the year end date. Differences resulting from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations into the Group's presentation currency are excluded.

		Exposu	re to foreign curi	encies	
	EUR HK\$'000	CAD HK\$'000	US\$ HK\$'000	GBP HK\$'000	SGD HK\$'000
At 31 March 2024 Amount due from an associate Bank deposits and cash on hand	_ 209	- 48	_ 25,768	52,627 3	- 937
	209	48	25,768	52,630	937
		Exposu	re to foreign curre	encies	
	EUR HK\$'000	CAD HK\$'000	US\$ HK\$'000	GBP HK\$'000	SGD HK\$'000
At 31 March 2023					
Amount due from an associate	_	_	_	51,885	_
Bank deposits and cash on hand	279	105	42,049	3,564	985
Trade and other payables		_	(18)	_	_
	279	105	42,031	55,449	985

In addition, at 31 March 2024, the Group is exposed to currency risk arising from inter-company receivables/payables amounting to US\$56,673,000, RMB9,131,000, CAD271,000, GBP1,389,000 and SGD2,710,000 (in aggregate equivalent to HK\$454,416,000) (2023: US\$55,992,000, RMB9,131,000, CAD1,297,000, GBP1,368,000 and SGD2,663,000 (in aggregate equivalent to HK\$456,486,000)) which are not denominated in the functional currency of the relevant companies.

# Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued) Market risk (Continued)

Currency risk (Continued)

Sensitivity analysis

The following table indicates the instantaneous change in the Group's results (and retained profits) that would arise if foreign exchange rates to which the Group has significant exposure at the end of the reporting period had changed at that date, assuming all other risk variables remained constant.

As HK\$ is pegged to US\$, the Group does not expect any significant foreign currency exposure arising from the fluctuation of the US\$/HK\$ exchange rates. As a result, management considers that the sensitivity of the Group's exposure towards the changes in exchange rate between US\$/HK\$ is minimal.

	202	24	2023		
	Increase (decrease) in foreign exchange rates	Increase (decrease) in post-tax result and retained profits HK\$'000	Increase (decrease) in foreign exchange rates	Increase (decrease) in post-tax result and retained profits HK\$'000	
RMB	5%	420	5%	435	
	(5)%	(420)	(5)%	(435)	
GBP	5%	2,772	5%	2,873	
	(5)%	(2,772)	(5)%	(2,873)	
EUR	5% (5)%	9 (9)	5% (5)%	12 (12)	
SGD	5%	(620)	5%	(619)	
	(5)%	620	(5)%	619	
CAD	5%	67	5%	320	
	(5)%	(67)	(5)%	(320)	

Results of the analysis as presented in the above table represent an aggregation of the instantaneous effects on each of the group entities' results after tax measured in the respective functional currencies, translated into HK\$ at the exchange rate ruling at the end of the reporting period for presentation purposes.

The sensitivity analysis assumes that the change in foreign exchange rates had been applied to remeasure those financial instruments held by the Group which expose the Group to currency risk at the end of the reporting period, including intercompany payables and receivables within the Group which are denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the lender or the borrower. The analysis excludes differences that would result from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations into the Group's presentation currency. The analysis is performed on the same basis for 2023.

In management's opinion, the sensitivity analysis is unrepresentative of the inherent currency risk as the year end exposure does not reflect the exposure during the reporting period.

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#### FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

## Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued) Market risk (Continued)

Interest rate risk

The Group's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates. Management does not anticipate significant impact resulted from the reasonable possible change in interest rates.

The Group's interest rate risk mainly arises from bank deposits and bank loans at floating interest rates. At 31 March 2024, if interest rates of bank loans had been 50 basis points higher/lower and all other variables were held constant, the Group's posttax results for the year would have been approximately HK\$962,000 (2023: HK\$905,000) lower/higher.

#### Credit risk

The credit risk of the Group mainly arises from trade receivables, other receivables, deposits and prepayments, loan to an associate and bank deposits and cash on hand. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the consolidated statement of financial position.

#### Risk management

The credit risk of bank deposits and cash on hand is limited because the counterparties are reputable commercial banks which are high-credit-quality financial institutions located in Hong Kong, the PRC, the U.K., the U.S.A. and Canada.

The Group's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each customer rather than the industry or country in which the customers operate and therefore significant concentrations of credit risk primarily arise when the Group has significant exposure to individual customers.

At the end of the reporting period, the Group's largest and the five largest trade receivables represents 45% (2023: 45%) and 99% (2023: 99%) of the total trade receivables respectively, which are within the asset, investment and fund management and distribution of construction and interior decorative materials business segments.

The Group has controls to closely monitor the billing and payment status by communications to minimise the credit risk. The Group also has other monitoring procedures to ensure that follow-up action is taken to recover overdue balances.

The Group regularly reviews the recoverability of each individual trade receivable to ensure that adequate impairment losses are made for irrecoverable amounts.

In addition, for loans and other receivables, the Group performs credit assessments before approving loans to applicants and regularly reviews the recoverability of each individual receivable.

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#### 33. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (Continued)

# Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued) Credit risk (Continued)

Impairment of financial assets

The Group has three types of financial assets that are subject to the ECL model:

- trade receivables;
- loan to an associate; and
- other financial assets carried at amortised cost

While bank deposits and cash on hand is also subject to the impairment requirements of HKFRS 9, management considers that the impairment loss is immaterial.

#### Trade receivables

The Group applies the simplified approach to provide for ECLs prescribed by HKFRS 9, which permits the use of the lifetime expected losses for all trade receivables.

To measure the ECLs, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due. Future cash flows for each group receivables are estimated on the basis of historical loss experience, adjusted to reflect the effects of current conditions as well as forward looking information on economic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. Trade receivables in dispute are assessed individually for impairment allowance and determined whether specific provisions are required. Trade receivables are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery.

#### Loan to an associate

The impairment loss of loan to an associate is measured based on the 12-month ECL. Because the Group's involvement in the management of the associate, the Group is in a position to monitor its financial performance and would take timely actions to safeguard its assets and/or to minimise its losses. Accordingly, management believes that the Group's exposure to the credit risk associated with loan to an associate is low and ECL, if any, is immaterial.

## Other financial assets carried at amortised cost

The Group's other financial assets carried at amortised cost include other receivables and deposits in the consolidated statement of financial position. The impairment loss of other financial assets carried at amortised cost is measured based on the 12-month ECL. Management has closely monitored the credit qualities and the collectability of the other financial assets carried at amortised cost and considers the ECL of other financial assets is insignificant at 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023. No impairment loss has been provided for both years.

## Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued) Credit risk (Continued)

The Group's internal credit risk grading assessment comprises the following categories:

Internal credit rating	Description	Trade receivables	Loan to an associate and other financial assets
Low risk	The counterparty has a low risk of default and/or does not have any past-due amounts	Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired	12-month ECL – not credit-impaired
Watch list	Debtor frequently repays after due dates but usually settle in full	Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired	12-month ECL – not credit-impaired
Doubtful	There have been significant increases in credit risk since initial recognition through information developed internally or external resources	Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired	Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired
Loss	There is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired	Lifetime ECL – credit-impaired	Lifetime ECL – credit-impaired
Write-off	There is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the Group has no realistic prospect of recovery	Amount is written off	Amount is written off

The credit risk exposures of the Group's trade receivables, other receivables and deposits, loan to an associate and bank deposits and cash on hand which are subject to ECL assessment are detailed below:

	Notes	External credit rating	Internal credit rating	12-month or lifetime ECL	2024 Gross carrying amount HK\$'000	2023 Gross carrying amount HK\$'000
Trade receivables	22	N/A	Low risk	Lifetime ECL (Not credit-impaired)	41,361	49,213
	22	N/A	Loss	Lifetime ECL (Credit-impaired)	23,909	20,077
Bills receivables	22	N/A	Low risk	Lifetime ECL (Not credit-impaired)	1,323	-
Other receivables and deposits	23	N/A	Low risk	12-month ECL	7,133	6,855
Loan to an associate	17	N/A	Low risk	12-month ECL	40,000	7,169
Bank deposits and cash on hand	24	Aa3 to A3	N/A	12-month ECL	100,897	167,485

## Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued) Credit risk (Continued)

The following table shows the movement in lifetime ECL that has been recognised for trade receivables.

	Lifetime ECL (not credit- impaired) HK\$'000	Lifetime ECL (credit- impaired) HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
At 1 April 2022	47,468	1,657	49,125
Changes due to financial instruments recognised at 1 April 2022:	47,400	1,037	49,123
- Impairment losses reversed	(3,433)	(1,024)	(4,457)
– Impairment losses recognised	144	_	144
Exchange adjustments	(3,479)	-	(3,479)
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023 Changes due to financial instruments recognised at 1 April 2023:	40,700	633	41,333
- Impairment losses reversed	(5,233)	_	(5,233)
– Written-off	(645)	_	(645)
– Impairment losses recognised	610	9,664	10,274
Exchange adjustments	(1,413)	_	(1,413)
At 31 March 2024	34,019	10,297	44,316

#### Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and bank balances, the availability of funding from an adequate amount of committed credit facilities from lending banks and the ability to close out market position.

The Group maintains liquidity by a number of sources including orderly realisation of short-term financial assets, receivables and certain assets that the Group considers appropriate and long-term financing including long-term borrowings are also considered by the Group in its capital structuring. The Group aims to maintain flexibility in funding by keeping sufficient bank balances, committed credit lines available and interest-bearing borrowings which enable the Group to continue its business for the foreseeable future.

The table below analyses the financial liabilities of the Group into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the consolidated statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table were based on the contractual undiscounted cash flows and the earliest date the Group can be required to pay. Bank loans with a repayment on demand clause are included in the earliest time band regardless of the probability of the banks choosing to exercise their rights. Balance within 12 months equal their carrying balances as impact at discounting is not significant.

Financial risk management objectives and policies (Continued) Liquidity risk (Continued)

	Within 1 year or on demand HK\$'000	Between 1 and 2 years HK\$'000	Between 2 and 5 years HK\$'000	Over 5 years HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000	Total carrying amount HK\$'000
At 31 March 2024 Trade and other payables						
(excluding non-financial liabilities)	10,183	_	_	_	10,183	10,183
Bank loans	258,277	704	19,227	-	278,208	276,093
Lease liabilities	655	678	2,180	453	3,966	3,549
	269,115	1,382	21,407	453	292,357	289,825
At 31 March 2023 Trade and other payables						
(excluding non-financial liabilities)	10,316	-	_	-	10,316	10,316
Bank loans	220,742	21,042	86,144	-	327,928	312,799
	231,058	21,042	86,144	-	338,244	323,115

The following table summarises the maturity analysis of bank loans, including those subject to repayment on demand clause, based on agreed scheduled repayments set out in the loan agreements. The amounts include interest payments computed using contractual rates. As a result, these amounts were greater than the amounts disclosed in the "within 1 year or on demand" time band in the maturity analysis contained in the above tables. Taking into account the Group's financial position, the directors do not consider that it is probable that the banks will exercise their discretion to demand immediate repayment. The directors believe that such bank loans will be repaid in accordance with the scheduled repayment dates set out in the loan agreements.

## Maturity analysis - Bank loans, including those subject to repayment on demand clause based on scheduled repayments dates

	Within 1 year or on demand HK\$'000	Between 1 and 2 years HK\$'000	Between 2 and 5 years HK\$'000	Over 5 years HK\$'000	Total undiscounted cash flow HK\$'000
31 March 2024	234,800	10,596	44,093	_	289,489
31 March 2023	71,578	153,906	112,405	6,608	344,497

#### Fair value estimation

#### Financial instruments carried at fair values

The different levels for analysis of financial instruments carried at fair values, by valuation method are defined as follows:

- Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1)
- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the assets or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2)
- Inputs for the assets and liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (level 3)

There was no transfer between Levels 1, 2 and 3 during the years ended 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023.

#### Financial instruments carried at other than fair values

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets and liabilities carried at other than fair values are not materially different from their fair values at 31 March 2024 and 31 March 2023.

#### Interests in unconsolidated structured entities

#### The Group's maximum exposure to the unconsolidated structured entities

As part of its investment activities, the Group invests in unconsolidated structured entities. At 31 March 2024, the Group's total interests in unconsolidated structured entities were HK\$17,765,000 (2023: HK\$22,922,000) on the Group's consolidated statement of financial position. The Group's total interests in unconsolidated structured entities are classified as interests in associates.

At 31 March 2024, a summary of the Group's interest in unconsolidated structured entities is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Interests in associates:  RREFLP  RREPFLP	16,937 828	21,947 975
	17,765	22,922

The Group's maximum exposure to loss related to the interests in unconsolidated structured entities is HK\$17,765,000 (2023: HK\$22,922,000).

#### Other interests in unconsolidated structured entities

The Group received management fee in respect of its asset, investment and fund management business. Management fee received for investments that the Group manages, also represent interests in unconsolidated structured entities. The Group's maximum exposure to loss relates to future management fee income. The table below shows the assets under management of entities that the Group manages and the fees earned from those entities.

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Investment management fee income:		
RREFLP	3,078	6,019
RREPFLP	1,105	1,655
	4,183	7,674

#### 34. RECONCILIATION OF LIABILITIES ARISING FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

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

	Lease liabilities HK\$'000	Bank loans HK\$'000	<b>Total</b> HK\$'000
	'		
At 1 April 2022	-	331,592	331,592
Financing cash flows	-	42,168	42,168
Exchange adjustments	-	149	149
Disposal of interests in subsidiaries (Note 37)	-	(61,110)	(61,110)
Interest expenses (Note 11)	_	12,744	12,744
Capitalised borrowing costs (Note 11)	_	241	241
Interest paid on bank loans		(12,985)	(12,985)
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023	_	312,799	312,799
New lease entered	3,955	_	3,955
Financing cash flows	(407)	(36,372)	(36,779)
Exchange adjustments	1	(334)	(333)
Interest expenses (Note 11)	122	15,591	15,713
Capitalised borrowing costs (Note 11)	_	937	937
Interest paid	(122)	(16,528)	(16,650)
At 31 March 2024	3,549	276,093	279,642

### 35. COMMITMENTS

The Group's capital commitments outstanding and not provided for in the consolidated financial statements were as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Authorised but not contracted for Contracted for	649,817 32,594	934,582 51,677
	682,411	986,259

The above commitments include mainly the construction related costs to be incurred in respect of the Group's development properties in various locations.

#### 36. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND FINANCIAL GUARANTEES

At the end of the reporting period, the Company has issued guarantees to banks in respect of banking facilities granted to certain indirect subsidiaries and an associate of HK\$154,233,000 (2023: HK\$217,219,000) and HK\$12,600,000 (2023: HK\$12,600,000) respectively. Such banking facilities were utilised by the subsidiaries and the associate to the extent of HK\$91,093,000 (2023: HK\$140,300,000) and HK\$11,592,000 (2023: HK\$12,096,000) respectively.

The directors of the Company do not consider it is probable that a claim will be made against the Company under any of the guarantees and have not recognised any deferred income in respect of these guarantees and no transaction price was incurred.

At 31 March 2024 and 2023, the Group did not recognise any liabilities in respect of each corporate financial guarantees as the amounts of loss allowance estimated under the expected credit loss model were insignificant.

#### 37. DISPOSAL OF INTERESTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

On 17 January 2023, the Group disposed of 80% equity interest in the Vibrant Colour Group and the sale loan, representing 80% of the amount of shareholder's loan owing by Vibrant Colour to Worth Celestial Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company to Habour Best Investments Limited, a company jointly owned by a director of the Company and his spouse. The Vibrant Colour Group owns a residential property in Shouson Hill, Hong Kong. Upon the disposal completion, the Group retains 20% equity interest in the Vibrant Colour Group which is accounted for as interests in associates (Note 17).

The net liabilities of the Vibrant Colour Group as at the date of the disposal were as follows:

	HK\$'000
Investment property Other receivables, deposits, and prepayments Bank deposits and cash on hand Other payables and accrual Amount due to immediate holding company Bank loan	198,000 1,401 2,683 (3,004) (155,000) (61,110)
Net liabilities disposed of	(17,030)
	HK\$'000
Fair value of consideration	110,376
Fair value of 20% amount due from Vibrant Colour 20% of net liabilities of the Vibrant Colour Group	31,000 (3,406)
Fair value of the retained 20% equity interest by the Group	27,594
Less: amount due to immediate holding company Net liabilities disposed of Costs directly attributable to the disposal	(155,000) 17,030 (102)
Loss on disposal of interests in subsidiaries	(102)
	HK\$'000
Total consideration received Bank deposits and cash disposal of Costs directly attributable to the disposal paid	110,376 (2,683) (102)
Net cash inflow on the disposal	107,591

#### 38. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Apart from disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Group had entered into the following significant transactions with the related parties during the year:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Investment management fee income from associates	4,183	7,674
Project management fee income from associates	_	3,304
Management fee income from a joint venture	420	420
Sales of construction and interior decorative materials to a joint venture	6,019	-
Trade receivables from associates, net of loss allowance	14,245	27,064
Trade receivable from a joint venture, net of loss allowance	6,636	-
Purchase of properties held for sales from a related company (Note)	_	114,011

Note: A director of the Company is also a director of this entity. Such transaction constituted a connected transaction as defined in Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

#### (b) Compensation of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel of the Group during the year is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Salaries and short-term employee benefits Post-employment benefits	20,918 99	20,705 108
	21,017	20,813

Total remuneration is included in employee benefit expenses (Note 9).

#### 39. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Non-current assets		
Investments in subsidiaries	40,351	47,559
Amount due from a joint venture Right-of-use assets	249,916 –	283,116 1,728
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	290,267	332,403
Current assets Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	782	772
Amounts due from subsidiaries	932,025	1,072,508
Bank deposits	65,684	56,157
	998,491	1,129,437
Current liabilities		
Payables and accruals Amounts due to subsidiaries	2,769	2,125
Bank loans	41,228 185,000	39,985 172,500
Lease liability	_	1,763
	228,997	216,373
Net current assets	769,494	913,064
NET ASSETS	1,059,761	1,245,467
CARITAL AND DECERVES		
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital	3,754	3,754
Share premium	400,859	400,859
Retained earnings (Note)	655,148	840,854
TOTAL EQUITY	1,059,761	1,245,467

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 26 June 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:

**CHAN WILLIAM** Director

LO HOI WAH, HEYWOOD

Director

## 39. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Note: The movements in retained earnings of the Company are as follows:

	HK\$'000
At 1 April 2022	1,015,650
Loss and total comprehensive income for the year	(174,796)
At 31 March 2023 and 1 April 2023	840,854
Loss and total comprehensive income for the year	(185,706)
At 31 March 2024	655,148

## 40. PARTICULARS OF PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES OF THE COMPANY

Details of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 31 March 2024 and 2023 are as follows.

Name of company	Place of Incorporation/ registrar and operation	Class of shares held	Fully paid-up issued/registered capital	capital/regis held by th	n of issued stered capital e Company	Principal activities
				2024	2023	
Joint Champ International Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$100	87%	87%	Investment holding
Prime Talent Development Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	100%	100%	Property holding
Win Expo Enterprises Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	100%	100%	Property holding
Keen Virtue Group Limited	BVI	Ordinary	US\$1	100%	100%	Investment holding
Apex Wealth International Limited*	BVI	Ordinary	US\$1	100%	100%	Investment holding
Rykadan Management Services Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	100%	100%	Provision of management services
Rykadan Capital Asset Management Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	100%	100%	Provision of asset management services
RKD Capital Limited	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$14,400,000 (2023: HK\$12,000,000)	100%	100%	Provision of asset management services
Rykadan Project Management Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	100%	100%	Provision of project management service
Rykadan 001 LLC*	The U.S.A.	Capital contribution	US\$100	100%	100%	Property development
Rykadan 005 LLC*	The U.S.A.	Capital contribution	US\$100	100%	100%	Property development

#### 40. PARTICULARS OF PRINCIPAL SUBSIDIARIES OF THE COMPANY (Continued)

Details of the Company's principal subsidiaries at 31 March 2024 and 2023 are as follows. (Continued)

Name of company	Place of Incorporation/ registrar and operation	Class of shares held	Fully paid-up issued/registered capital	capital/regis	n of issued tered capital e Company	Principal activities
MP Property One LLC*	The U.S.A.	Capital contribution	US\$100	100%	100%	Property development
Rykadan Carlyle South LLC*	The U.S.A.	Capital contribution	US\$10,000	100%	100%	Property development
Triple-I Capital Partners Limited*	Canada	Ordinary	CAD10,000 (2023: CAD6,000,000)	100%	100%	Investment holding
Integrity International Investment Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$1	100%	100%	Provision of management services
Q-Stone Building Materials Limited*	Hong Kong	Ordinary	HK\$10,000	87%	87%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials
格利來建材(北京)有限公司**	The PRC	Registered capital	RMB7,000,000	87%	87%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials
格利來建材(深圳)有限公司**	The PRC	Registered capital	RMB8,000,000	87%	87%	Distribution of construction and interior decorative materials

#### Notes:

- (\*) These entities are indirectly held by the Company.
- (#) These entities are foreign-owned enterprises established in the PRC.

None of the subsidiaries had issued any debt securities at the end of the year.

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

## 41. COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified in these consolidated financial statements to conform with the current year's presentation, which have no material effect on previously reported consolidated financial position.

# FINANCIAL SUMMARY

## **RESULTS**

	Year ended 31 March				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue	110,677	168,157	86,942	87,695	104,388
Profit (loss) for the year	(84,940)	31,410	(38,985)	(192,222)	(176,166)
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Profit (loss) for the year attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	(77,319)	4,500	(34,870)	(189,329)	(173,886)
Non-controlling interests	(7,621)	26,910	(4,115)	(2,893)	(2,280)
	(84,940)	31,410	(38,985)	(192,222)	(176,166)
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ASSETS AND LIABILITIES					
	As at 31 March				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Total assets	1,803,697	1,548,681	1,591,071	1,358,091	1,147,602
Total liabilities	462,919	269,868	359,284	328,199	296,131
	1,340,778	1,278,813	1,231,787	1,029,892	851,471
	1,340,778	1,278,813	1,231,787	1,029,892	851,471
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	1,340,778 1,323,385	1,278,813 1,277,154	1,231,787	1,029,892 1,035,877	851,471 861,373
Equity attributable to owners of the Company Non-controlling interests					
	1,323,385	1,277,154	1,233,921	1,035,877	861,373