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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 APRIL 2025⁽¹⁾

		Individual	Quarter	Cumulative	e Quarters	
		3-months end	led 30 April	6-months end	6-months ended 30 April	
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	
		30.4.2025	30.4.2024	30.4.2025	30.4.2024	
	Note	RM	RM	RM	RM	
Revenue	A9	9,336,530	6,389,641	19,447,789	14,314,149	
Cost of services	-	(4,167,327)	(2,494,512)	(7,544,876)	(5,438,815)	
Gross profit		5,169,203	3,895,129	11,902,913	8,875,334	
Other income		799,920	221,592	1,102,997	480,632	
Net trading gains on						
financial assets at fair						
value through profit or						
loss		251,057	402,754	322,617	614,884	
Administrative and other						
operating expenses		(2,336,992)	(1,700,954)	(5,011,857)	(3,423,413)	
Interest income		836,437	1,158,683	1,692,448	2,253,986	
Finance costs	_	(1,567)	(4,256)	(3,587)	(9,235)	
Profit before tax	B5	4,718,058	3,972,948	10,005,531	8,792,188	
Income tax expenses	B6	(1,150,000)	(955,000)	(2,430,000)	(2,160,800)	
Profit after tax		3,568,058	3,017,948	7,575,531	6,631,388	
Other comprehensive						
income, net of income tax						
Items that will not be						
reclassified subsequently						
to profit or loss:						
Realisation of revaluation						
surplus upon depreciation		(15,612)	(15,612)	(31,224)	(31,224)	
Transfer of revaluation						
surplus to retained earnings		15,612	15,612	31,224	31,224	
Fair value adjustment on						
other investments		(64,024)	-	(56,460)	-	
Total comprehensive	-	·				
income for the financial						
period		3,504,034	3,017,948	7,519,071	6,631,388	
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	Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 Apr		•	Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 April	
		Unaudited 30.4.2025	Unaudited 30.4.2024	Unaudited 30.4.2025	Unaudited 30.4.2024
	Note	RM	RM	RM	RM
Profit attributable to:					
Owners of the Company		3,581,210	3,017,948	7,589,635	6,631,388
Non-controlling interests		(13,152)	-	(14,104)	-
-	-	3,568,058	3,017,948	7,575,531	6,631,388
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Owners of the Company		3,517,186	3,017,948	7,533,175	6,631,388
Non-controlling interests		(13,152)	-	(14,104)	-
	-	3,504,034	3,017,948	7,519,071	6,631,388
Earnings per share ⁽²⁾ (sen)	B7				
- Basic		0.40	0.34	0.85	0.74
- Diluted	-	0.40	0.34	0.85	0.74

Notes:

- 1. The basis of preparation of the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income are disclosed in Note A1 and should be read in conjunction with the Group's audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 October 2024 ("AFS 2024") and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this interim financial report.
- 2. Basic earnings per share ("**EPS**") is calculated based on the profit attributable to owners of the Company divided by 893,000,000 ordinary shares being the total number of ordinary shares in issue during the current financial quarter and financial-year-to-date. Diluted EPS is equivalent to the basic EPS as the Company does not have any dilutive instruments at the end of the reporting period.

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2025⁽¹⁾

	Unaudited As at 30.4.2025 RM	Audited As at 31.10.2024 RM
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	11,653,112	11,497,435
Investment properties	4,650,000	4,650,000
Right-of-use assets	26,516	120,390
Intangible assets	7,891,722	7,891,722
Other investments	699,799	756,259
	24,921,149	24,915,806
Current assets		
Trade and other receivables	106,896,739	81,496,997
Inventories	687,113	408,511
Other investments	1,502,592	1,212,254
Deposits and prepayments	4,654,567	4,550,539
Cash and cash equivalents	68,167,205	85,672,642
	181,908,216	173,340,943
TOTAL ASSETS	206,829,365	198,256,749
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Share capital	154,640,574	154,640,574
Merger reserve	(97,008,736)	(97,008,736)
Other reserves	130,053,679	122,520,504
Equity attributable to owners of the Company	187,685,517	180,152,342
Non-controlling interests	(25,786)	(11,682)
TOTAL EQUITY	187,659,731	180,140,660
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liabilities	-	44,498
Deferred tax liabilities	934,160	934,160
	934,160	978,658
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	15,859,777	15,460,852
Lease liabilities	34,910	95,377
Current tax liabilities	2,340,787	1,581,202
	18,235,474	17,137,431
TOTAL LIABILITIES	19,169,634	18,116,089
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	206,829,365	198,256,749
Net assets per share ⁽²⁾ (sen)	21.02	20.17

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 APRIL 2025⁽¹⁾ (CONT'D)

Notes:

- 1. The basis of preparation of the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position are disclosed in Note A1 and should be read in conjunction with the AFS 2024 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this interim financial report.
- 2. Net assets per share is computed based on net assets attributable to owners of the Company divided by 893,000,000 ordinary shares in issue as at 30 April 2025 and 31 October 2024 respectively.

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 APRIL 2025⁽¹⁾

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Note:

1. The basis of preparation of the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity are disclosed in Note A1 and should be read in conjunction with the AFS 2024 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this interim financial report.

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 APRIL 2025⁽¹⁾

	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before tax	10,005,531	8,792,188
Adjustments for:-		
Accretion of lease interest	3,587	9,235
Net trading gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	(614,884)
Depreciation of		
- property, plant and equipment	333,344	313,571
- right-of-use assets	93,874	93,873
Dividend income	(19,514)	(2,347)
Interest income	(1,692,448)	(2,253,986)
Gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(20,483)	-
Operating profit before working capital changes	8,703,891	6,337,650
Increase in trade and other receivables	(25,399,742)	(13,808,810)
Increase in deposits and prepayments	(104,028)	(1,165,938)
Increase in inventories	(278,602)	-
Increase in trade and other payables	398,925	2,844,209
Cash used in operations	(16,679,556)	(5,792,889)
Income tax paid	(1,670,415)	(1,531,916)
Net cash used in operating activities	(18,349,971)	(7,324,805)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest received	1,692,448	2,253,986
Dividends received	19,514	2,347
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(489,038)	(83,151)
Proceeds from disposal of other investments carried at fair		
fair value through profit or loss	-	1,316,002
Net purchase of other investments	(290,338)	-
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	20,500	-
Net cash from investing activities	953,086	3,489,184

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	Unaudited 30.4.2025	Unaudited 30.4.2024
	RM	RM
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Repayment of lease liabilities	(108,552)	(108,552)
Dividends paid	-	(4,465,000)
Net cash used in financing activities	(108,552)	(4,573,552)
NET DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH		
EQUIVALENTS	(17,505,437)	(8,409,173)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the		
financial period	85,672,642	82,503,757
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END		
OF THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	68,167,205	74,094,584

Note:

1. The basis of preparation of the Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows are disclosed in Note A1 and should be read in conjunction with the AFS 2024 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this interim financial report.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

A. EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("MFRS 134"), INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

A1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

This interim financial report of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Group**") is unaudited and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("**MFRS**") 134: Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("**MASB**"), Rule 9.22 and Appendix 9B of the ACE Market Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("**Listing Requirements**").

This interim financial report should be read in conjunction with the AFS 2024 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to this interim financial report.

A2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies and the methods of computation adopted by the Group in this interim financial report are consistent with those adopted in the audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 October 2024.

As at the date of authorisation of this interim financial report, the following Standards were issued by the MASB but not yet effective and have not been adopted by the Group:

Effortivo for

	Effective for financial periods
MFRSs, Amendments to MFRSs and IC Interpretations	beginning on or
Amendments to MFRS 121 The Effects of Changes in Foreign	
Exchange Rates: Lack of Exchangeability	1 January 2025
Amendments to MFRS 9 Financial Instruments and MFRS 7	
Financial Instruments: Disclosures - Classification and	
Measurement of Financial Instruments	1 January 2026
Annual Improvements to MFRS Accounting Standards – Volume 11	1 January 2026
Amendments to MFRS 9 Financial Instruments and MFRS 7	
Financial Instruments: Disclosures - Contracts Referencing Nature-	
dependent Electricity	1 January 2026
MFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements	1 January 2027
MFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures	1 January 2027
Amendments to MFRS 10: Consolidated Financial Statements and	
MFRS 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures - Sales or	To be determined by
Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint	the MASB
Venture	

The initial application of the above Standards is not expected to have any material impact to the consolidated financial statements of the Group upon their first adoption.

NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

A. EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("MFRS 134"), INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT (CONT'D)

A3. AUDITORS' REPORT OF PRECEDING ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 October 2024 was not subject to any qualification.

A4. SEASONAL OR CYCLICAL FACTORS

The business operations of the Group were not significantly affected by any seasonal or cyclical trend during the current financial quarter and financial year-to-date.

A5. MATERIAL UNUSUAL ITEMS

There were no material unusual items affecting the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows of the Group during the current financial quarter and financial year-to-date.

A6. MATERIAL CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

There were no material changes in accounting estimates that have a material effect to the Group in the current financial quarter and financial year-to-date.

A7. DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

There was no issuance, cancellation, repurchase, resale and repayment of debts and equity securities during the current financial quarter and financial year-to-date.

A8. DIVIDEND PAID

There was no dividend paid during the current financial quarter and financial year-to-date.

In the previous corresponding period, the Company had on 26 December 2023 declared a single tier interim dividend of 0.5 sen per ordinary share amounting to RM4,465,000 in respect of the financial year ended 31 October 2024 which was paid on 2 February 2024.

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A. EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("MFRS 134"), INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT (CONT'D)

A9. SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

The Group's revenue is segmented as follows:

		Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 April		Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 April	
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	
Business segments					
Stockbroking ⁽¹⁾	6,911,505	4,628,641	15,539,870	10,464,649	
Corporate finance	2,425,025	1,761,000	3,907,919	3,849,500	
Total	9,336,530	6,389,641	19,447,789	14,314,149	

Note:

1. Revenue from the Stockbroking Segment comprises revenue from brokerage fees, margin income, commodities trading, nominee fees, underwriting fees and placement fees.

A10. CHANGES IN THE COMPOSITION OF THE GROUP

There were no changes in the composition of the Group during the current financial quarter.

A11. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND CONTINGENT ASSETS

There were no material contingent liabilities or contingent assets to be disclosed as at 30 April 2025.

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A. EXPLANATORY NOTES ON THE COMPLIANCE WITH MALAYSIAN FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS ("MFRS 134"), INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT (CONT'D)

A12. SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Save as disclosed below, there were no other significant related party transactions during the current financial quarter and financial year-to-date:

	Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 April		Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 Apri	
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM
Rental expenses paid to a related party for a branch office	19,500	19,500	39,000	39,000
Rental income received	19,500	19,500	59,000	39,000
from a related party Brokerage fees received from execution of trades on behalf of a major	1,500	1,500	3,000	3,000
shareholder	-	-	-	366

A13. MATERIAL CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM
Contracted but not provided for:		
Renovation	90,400	-

A14. MATERIAL EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO THE END OF THE CURRENT FINANCIAL QUARTER

There were no material events subsequent to the end of the current financial quarter that have not been reflected in this interim financial report.

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NOTES TO THE INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SECOND QUARTER ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS

B1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE

The Group's performance for the current financial quarter and the financial year-to-date ended 30 April 2025 are set out in the tabled:

	Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 April		Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 April		
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	
Revenue					
Stockbroking segment	6,911,505	4,628,641	15,539,870	10,464,649	
Corporate finance segment	2,425,025	1,761,000	3,907,919	3,849,500	
Total revenue	9,336,530	6,389,641	19,447,789	14,314,149	
Gross profit	5,169,203	3,895,129	11,902,913	8,875,334	
Profit before tax (" PBT ")	4,718,058	3,972,948	10,005,531	8,792,188	
Gross profit margin (%)	55.37	60.96	61.20	62.00	
PBT margin (%)	50.53	62.18	51.45	61.42	

Review of performance in the current financial quarter ("Q2 2025") and cumulative financial quarters ("Q1 & Q2 2025") as compared to the corresponding financial quarter ("Q2 2024") and cumulative financial quarters of last financial year ("Q1 & Q2 2024")

COMMENTARIES

Q2 2025 vs Q2 2024

For Q2 2025, the Group recorded total revenue of RM9.34 million, reflecting an increase of RM2.95 million or 46.12% compared to RM6.39 million in Q2 2024. The increase was mainly from stronger contributions by the Stockbroking Segment, which posted a revenue growth of RM2.28 million or 49.32%, alongside the Corporate Finance Segment, which registered an increase of RM0.66 million or 37.71%.

Gross profit for Q2 2025 increased by RM1.27 million or 32.71%, amounting to RM5.17 million compared to RM3.90 million in Q2 2024. The gross profit margin decreased from 60.96% in Q2 2024 to 55.37% in Q2 2025.

PBT rose by RM0.75 million or 18.75% to RM4.72 million in Q2 2025 as compared to PBT of RM3.97 million recorded in Q2 2024.

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B1. REVIEW OF PERFORMANCE (CONT'D)

COMMENTARIES (CONT'D)

Q1 & Q2 2025 vs Q1 & Q2 2024

For the cumulative 6-month period ended 30 April 2025, total revenue reached RM19.45 million, an increase of RM5.13 million or 35.86% from RM14.31 million in the corresponding period of the previous financial year. This growth primarily stemmed from the Stockbroking Segment, which generated an additional RM5.08 million or an increase of 48.50% in revenue mainly from margin income, placement fees and underwriting fees.

For the 6-months period ended 30 April 2025, gross profit grew to RM 11.90 million, an increase of 34.11%, from RM 8.88 million in the previous corresponding period.

For 6-months period ended 30 April 2025, PBT increased by RM1.21 million or 13.80%, reaching RM10.01 million as compared to PBT of RM8.79 million in the previous corresponding period.

B2. COMPARISON WITH IMMEDIATE PRECEDING QUARTER

	Individual Quarter		
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 31.1.2025 RM	Variance RM
Revenue	9,336,530	10,111,259	(774,729)
Gross profit	5,169,203	6,733,710	(1,564,507)
PBT	4,718,058	5,287,473	(569,415)
Gross profit margin (%)	55.37	66.60	(11.23)
PBT margin (%)	50.53	52.29	(1.76)

COMMENTARIES

For Q2 2025, the Group recorded revenue of RM9.34 million, reflecting a decline of RM0.77 million or 7.66% compared to RM10.11 million in the immediate preceding quarter. The reduction stemmed primarily from lower contribution by the Stockbroking Segment.

Gross profit registered at RM5.17 million in Q2 2025, down RM1.56 million or 23.23% from RM6.73 million in the immediate preceding quarter, while the gross profit margin decreased to 55.37% from 66.60%.

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B2. COMPARISON WITH IMMEDIATE PRECEDING QUARTER (CONT'D)

COMMENTARIES (CONT'D)

In the current quarter (Q2 2025), PBT decreased by RM0.57 million or 10.77% to RM4.72 from RM5.29 million in the immediate preceding quarter, while PBT margin decreased from 52.29% to 50.53%.

B3. PROSPECTS OF THE GROUP

Malaysia's economy began 2025 on a stronger footing than many had anticipated, recording 4.4% year-on-year GDP growth in Q1, underpinned by resilient domestic demand, firm investment activity, and a temporary export surge driven by front-loaded shipments to the United States. This growth recovery from the prior quarter's contraction highlights the economy's structural strength, though challenges remain on the horizon.

In another development, Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM) is likely to revise Malaysia's GDP projection for 2025 to be lower than the official 4.5% to 5.5% target set in March but do not expect it to be lower than 4%. The central bank cites uncertainty in global trade, softening external demand, and volatile commodity markets as key reasons for the adjustment. Yet, BNM also emphasized that Malaysia's domestic fundamentals remain solid, with consumer spending, services, infrastructure projects, and tourism driving sustained growth. Official forecast revision will be released in 1–2 months, awaiting better clarity on global trade developments (esp. U.S.-China). BNM are cautious about downgrading growth too sharply; risks are present but underlying domestic demand remains resilient.

Key concern in it economic outlook is uncertainty, not just the tariffs themselves. While the U.S.-China tensions are real, their impact on Malaysia remains limited for now, with possible upside from trade diversion. The narrative of "economic doom" is overblown — external demand is softer, but Malaysia's diversified export base and ongoing reforms provide resilience.

BNM has chosen to maintain the Overnight Policy Rate (OPR) at 3.00%, asserting a neutral and data-dependent monetary policy stance. The central bank also reduced the Statutory Reserve Requirement (SRR) from 2% to 1% in mid-May—a move framed as an operational liquidity measure, not a signal of monetary easing. These policy decisions reflect BNM's strategy of supporting economic momentum while guarding against inflationary risks and external volatility.

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B3. PROSPECTS OF THE GROUP (CONT'D)

In this environment, Malaysia presents itself not as a broadly undervalued market, but as a market of selective opportunity. With macro conditions in flux, sectors like electrical & electronics (E&E), furniture, rubber gloves, tourism, consumer goods, infrastructure, and financial services offer pockets of upside driven by trade diversion, resilient domestic demand, and policy support.

(Source: Bank Negara Malaysia: Selective Opportunities Amid Global Uncertainty dated 25 March 2025)

With the current U.S-China global trade policy tensions, the Board will remain vigilant and is cautiously optimistic that the trading conditions and corporate activities will not materially affect the Group's performance in the current financial year.

B4. PROFIT FORECAST

The Group did not issue any profit estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets in any public document.

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B5. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

	Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 April		Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 April	
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM
Profit before tax is arrived at after charging:				
Depreciation				
- property, plant and				
equipment	169,731	157,232	333,344	313,571
- right-of-use assets	46,937	46,937	93,874	93,873
and crediting:				
Dividend income	15,541	2,054	19,514	2,347
Interest income	836,437	1,158,683	1,692,448	2,253,986
Realised gain on foreign				
exchange	143,838	31,236	182,163	104,248
Rental income	9,000	34,500	23,200	79,500

Save as disclosed above, the other disclosure items pursuant to Rule 16 of Appendix 9B of the Listing Requirements are not applicable.

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B6. INCOME TAX EXPENSES

	Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 April		Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 April	
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM
Current tax expenses Deferred tax expenses	1,150,000	955,000	2,430,000	2,160,800
	1,150,000	955,000	2,430,000	2,160,800
Effective tax rate (%)	24.37	24.04	24.29	24.58

The effective tax rate of 24.37% for current financial quarter and 24.29% of the financial year-to-date are slightly higher than the statutory tax rate of 24.00% due to certain expenses not deductible for tax purposes.

B7. BASIC/DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE

The basic EPS and diluted EPS for the current quarter and financial year-to-date and the corresponding quarter and financial year-to-date is computed as follows:

	Individual Quarter 3-months ended 30 April		Cumulative Quarters 6-months ended 30 April	
	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2025 RM	Unaudited 30.4.2024 RM
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	3,581,210	3,017,948	7,589,635	6,631,388
Weighted average number of ordinary shares	893,000,000	893,000,000	893,000,000	893,000,000
Basic/diluted EPS (sen)	0.40	0.34	0.85	0.74

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B8. STATUS OF CORPORATE PROPOSALS

There were no corporate proposals announced by the Company but not completed as at the date of this interim financial report.

B9. UTILISATION OF PROCEEEDS FROM THE INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING ("IPO")

The utilisation of proceeds as disclosed below should be read in conjunction with the Prospectus of the Company dated 28 August 2023. As at 30 April 2025, the status of utilisation of the gross proceeds of RM39.27 million raised from our IPO are as follows:

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Details of use of proceeds	Proposed Utilisation <u>(RM'000)</u>	Amount Utilised <u>(RM'000)</u>	Balance Unutilised (<u>RM'000)</u> ⁽¹⁾	Estimated timeframe for use from the <u>date of listing</u>
Margin financing facility services	26,860	26,860	-	Within 24 months
Enchancement of digitalisation				
programme and marketing				
activities for the stockbroking				
business and operations of the				
Group	2,880	968	1,912	Within 18 months ⁽¹⁾
Working capital	4,634	4,634	-	Within 12 months
Listing expenses	4,900	4,900	-	Within 3 months
Total	39,274	37,362	1,912	

Note:

 Pending its intended utilisation, the unutilised balance of RM1.91 million raised from our IPO was placed with financial institutions on a repo basis to earn interest income. On 17 March 2025, the Board had resolved to extend the timeframe for the utilisation of RM1.91 million by another 12 months from 18 March 2025 to 18 March 2026.

B10. GROUP BORROWINGS AND DEBTS SECURITIES

As at the date of this interim financial report, there were no borrowings and the Group has not issued any debts securities.

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B. EXPLANATORY NOTES PURSUANT TO PART A OF APPENDIX 9B OF THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS (CONT'D)

B11. MATERIAL LITIGATION

There was no litigation or arbitration which has a material effect on the financial position and performance of the Group as at the date of this interim financial report.

B12. DIVIDEND

The Board of Directors has on 26 June 2025 declared an interim dividend of 0.5 sen per ordinary share for the financial year ending 31 October 2025. The dividend will be paid on 29 July 2025 to the shareholders whose names appear in the Record of Depositors on 15 July 2025.

B13. AUTHORISE FOR ISSUE

The interim financial report was authorised for issue by the Board in accordance with a resolution of the Directors on 26 June 2025.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD MERCURY SECURITIES GROUP BERHAD 26 JUNE 2025