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Corporate Information

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Executive Directors Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph *(Chairman)* Mr. Yang Yongcheng

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Mr. Liew Swee Yean *(resigned on 20 December 2024)* Dr. Wong Yun Kuen *(resigned on 27 September 2024)* Mr. Wu Zheng *(resigned on 20 December 2024)*

Joint Chief Executive Officers

Mr. Chen Chun Long Mr. Ching Ho Tung, Philip

Company Secretary

Mr. Pang Yick Him

Audit Committee

Mr. Liew Swee Yean (*Committee Chairman*) (*resigned on 20 December 2024*) Dr. Wong Yun Kuen (*resigned on 27 September 2024*) Mr. Wu Zheng (*resigned on 20 December 2024*)

Remuneration Committee

Dr. Wong Yun Kuen *(Committee Chairman) (resigned on 27 September 2024)* Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph Mr. Wu Zheng *(resigned on 20 December 2024)*

Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee

Mr. Wu Zheng (*Committee Chairman*) (*resigned on 20 December 2024*) Mr. Liew Swee Yean (*resigned on 20 December 2024*) Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph

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Financial Summary

A summary of the results and of the assets and liabilities of the Group for each of the last five financial years is set out as below:

RESULTS

	Year ended 31 December				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Revenue	1,112,283	298,941	266,685	156,576	35,958
Profit/(loss) before tax	14,421	(31,731)	(23,410)	(68,586)	(69,705)
Income tax (expense)/credit	(3,028)	3,750	3,526	(2,697)	5,438
Less: (Profit)/loss attributable to					
non-controlling interests	(2,515)	(3,909)	4,651	5,105	3,972
Profit/(loss) attributable to					
owners of the Company	8,878	(31,890)	(15,233)	(66,178)	(60,295)

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

	As at 31 December				
	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Total assets	740,995	526,147	531,731	368,389	353,790
Total liabilities	(758,944)	(557,325)	(532,572)	(337,630)	(255,690)
Owners' funds	(38,995)	(50,616)	(16,968)	11,789	75,151

Interim Chairman's Statement

2024 is a year of suffering. From the social movement erupted in Hong Kong in 2019 to the three-and-a-half-year border closure caused by the COVID-19 epidemic starting in 2020, the management team of Kaisun Holdings Limited (Company) embarked on an extraordinary tough journey in remote Xinjiang.

On 10 December 2024, the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (HKEX) imposed a "Prejudice to Investors' Interests" Statement (PII Statement) and issued a censure against the only two Executive Directors of the Company for failing to comply with the announcement requirements under Chapter 19 of the GEM Rules in 2018. Additionally, our Independent Non-Executive Directors (INEDs) except Mr. Wu Zheng who joined after the breach, also faced censure. Following the issuance of the PII Statement, our INEDs all decided to resign, which was their only option, citing the increasingly difficult environment of managing issues unrelated to the Company's actual business operations. The consistent and excessive overseeing has created an environment that is challenging for any INEDs to operate in with confidence, ultimately leading to their decision to step down.

Recognizing the Company's obligation to issue audited financial statements to shareholders and the public, which requires approval and signatures from two Executive Directors, Mr. Yang Yong Cheng and I have decided to remain as Directors to fulfill this fiduciary duty.

At present, the Company is operating under immense pressure due to its significant debt level, which totals HKD759 million and has defaulted in repayment of its bonds payable with a principal amount of HK\$46,800,000. As the bond clause requires me to remain as Director and Chairman during its lifetime, given the current state of the Company, we need to negotiate with the creditors on removing this condition as well as expedite repayment. The situation has made it exceedingly difficult to identify suitable candidates for Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors, or INED roles and resigned INEDs warned the two Executive Directors to be responsible to shareholders and other stakeholders and to resolve the aforesaid issues accordingly before their departure. This challenge is further compounded by the need to comply with new listing rules, which emphasize diversity in Board appointments. In this regard, we have actively reached out to potential female Directors, as well as other qualified candidates, to replace the Directors who have left and perhaps an Executive Director(s) to replace me and Mr. Yang Yong Cheng. However, the feedback we have received indicates that many find the task daunting or feel unprepared to take on the role, given the unique challenges our Company faces, some however apply purely to ask for a living.

Additionally, we have observed that the relationships and trust that I and our team have established with creditors, local governments and counterparties in Hong Kong and mainland China over the years are not easily transferable. This makes it difficult for any new appointees to seamlessly step into these roles and maintain the same level of confidence with our stakeholders. Nonetheless, we remain committed to identifying and recruiting Directors Executive or Independent who can bring both capability and diversity to the Board. While we acknowledge the global trend of prioritizing diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives, we also note that many western companies are now shifting toward hiring based on capability rather than diversity alone. We believe this is the correct approach, especially given the nature of our business — mining, which is inherently demanding and traditionally less women-friendly. However, given this diversity is regulated by the listing rules, appropriate or not we are not abandoning the search of female directors.

Interim Chairman's Statement

Since 2018, the Board, senior executives from Hong Kong, and local staff in mainland China have been facing intense challenges, including navigating complex local requirements such as prepayment of taxes under executive orders, addressing environmental concerns, maintaining stability, supporting various local livelihoods, managing accusations from various parties, responding to shareholder inquiries, and handling regulatory scrutiny. These challenges have placed us in a continuous state of difficulty. But nevertheless, we have to live with it if we want to safeguard the interest of our shareholders.

In Xinjiang, where our key mining operations are based, we face significant challenges that continue to impact our profitability and competitiveness. One of the most pressing issues is the presence of unlicensed coal operators who act as direct competitors. These operators work outside the bounds of legal and environmental regulations, cutting corners on safety measures, environmental compliance, and licensing requirements. As a result, they can flood the market with cheap coal, driving down market prices and creating an uneven playing field.

For law-abiding companies like ours, this situation is particularly challenging. While we adhere strictly to all licensing requirements, invest in safety protocols, and comply with environmental and ESG standards, the unlicensed operators avoid these costs entirely. Consequently, they enjoy significantly higher profit margins, allowing them to undercut us in the market. This dynamic not only erodes our profitability but also undermines the overall stability and fairness of the market.

Adding to this, the local government in Xinjiang, understandably prioritizing livelihood issues, enforces tax collection on licensed operators like us while turning a blind eye to the activities of unlicensed competitors. This means that we bear the full burden of compliance costs and taxation, which are obligations that every coal miner in the region should technically be subject to. However, these unlicensed operators largely escape scrutiny, leaving companies like ours to shoulder all of the responsibilities while receiving none of the benefits of a fair and regulated market.

In effect, we are being pressured from both sides: on one hand, by unregulated competitors who distort the market with their low costs, and on the other, by local authorities who enforce tax and regulatory compliance only on law-abiding companies. This double burden significantly impacts our ability to achieve healthy profit margins despite strong coal sales.

We believe that addressing this issue requires better enforcement of licensing and regulatory standards across the region. A level playing field where all operators are held to the same legal, safety, and environmental standards would not only benefit compliant companies like ours but also improve the overall sustainability and fairness of the coal mining industry in Xinjiang. Until such changes occur, we remain committed to upholding our principles of compliance and responsible business practices, even in the face of these considerable challenges.

Another significant issue facing the Company, as well as many non-PRC-incorporated firms, is the challenge of repatriating funds from mainland China to support administrative costs at our Hong Kong headquarters. This process has become increasingly burdensome, costly, and fraught with regulatory risks. Such regulatory risk is however not appreciated by both mainland and HKSAR administration and regulatory bodies. Despite these difficulties, we remain committed to our mission and look forward to improvements under the leadership of Chinese President Xi Jinping, particularly in his approach to supporting private enterprises both locally and offshore, including in Hong Kong.

Interim Chairman's Statement

Through the collective efforts of our team, we have been able to weather these challenges and continue to survive in an increasingly difficult environment. We have the asset, we have the manpower, and we have the determination to persevere. It is predicable that at least in our industry China's growth will remain at its slowest pace in the coming years and to survive will be a victory for the year of 2025, hence Kaisun team is preparing to sustain with more cost cutting measures and consolidation of business to survive in the face of internal and external troubles. Our commitment to doing business the right way, alongside the dedication of our employees and stakeholders, provides a solid foundation for the future.

The current board consists of Mr. Yang Yong Cheng and myself fully understand the company is still in breach of various listing rules of not able to have an audit committee, a nomination committee, a remuneration committee, without a diverse board and this chaos Mr. Yang Yong Cheng and myself need to apologize.

In addition to the reasons already mentioned, it is important to emphasize that the decision for Mr. Yang Yong Cheng and myself to remain as Interim Directors at this time is driven by the urgent need to stabilize the Company and address key internal challenges before capable and suitable director would even consider joining the Board. The Company is currently at a critical juncture, and we believe that before new Directors can reasonably be expected to step into their roles, it is our responsibility to undertake the following actions:

- 1. Restructuring and Streamlining Operations: We are actively working to structurally close or sell unprofitable subsidiaries and those that no longer align with the Company's core business strategy. This is a necessary step to streamline operations, reduce financial burdens, and focus our resources on areas with the highest potential for growth and profitability.
- 2. Debt Reduction: One of the most pressing issues that must be resolved is the Company's significant debt burden. We are fully committed to negotiating with creditors to reduce the Company's debt to more manageable levels, including the defaulted bonds payable. Until this is achieved, it will remain exceedingly difficult to attract qualified candidates who are willing to assume leadership roles in the Company.

The enforcement of HKEX has imposed the PII Statement on two of us hence we aim to address these fundamental issues and stabilizing the Group, and to create an environment that is not only more appealing to potential Directors but also better positioned for sustainable growth in a shortest run.

As now the interim Director and Chairman of the Company, again I deeply apologize to our shareholders and stakeholders for the chaos and challenges we have faced. I and Mr. Yang Yong Cheng remain committed to stabilizing the Company and identifying capable Directors to lead the Company forward in the very near term. But if needed due to regulatory requirement not giving us time we shall step down immediately.

In 2024, the global economic environment will continue to face significant challenges, primarily influenced by ongoing geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures and the rising interest rates of central banks in various countries. While the economies of some developed countries have shown signs of recovery, the overall growth remains sluggish, and many companies are struggling in the face of high operational costs.

The domestic economic situation is of particular concern. Affected by a variety of internal and external factors, China's economic growth has slowed and the downward pressure on the economy is evident. Problems such as the continued sluggishness of the property market, increasing pressure on local debt, weak consumption and reduced exports have resulted in insufficient momentum for the overall economic recovery. At the same time, market confidence remains fragile and the propensity of companies and individuals to invest has declined significantly, posing varying degrees of challenge to the Group's various businesses.

In the context of China's energy sector, while traditional coal-producing provinces such as Inner Mongolia and Shanxi are facing the challenge of resource depletion, Xinjiang is undergoing a significant transformation, redefining China's energy landscape. With an annual capacity growth rate of approximately 15%, Xinjiang is poised to make a substantial impact on the country's energy production. By 2024, Xinjiang's annual coal production is projected to surpass 500 million tons, representing a substantial increase from 7.3% in 2020 to 11% of the country's total output. However, in the context of a shifting coal supply and demand relationship, declining coal prices and weak demand, pressure on the financial performance of most coal companies is inevitable. This includes the Group's mining industry in Turpan City, Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, which is also facing similar challenges. Despite the Group's impressive coal sales figures for 2024, gross profit was relatively low, primarily due to market involution, which has now spread to all industries. This has led to intense competition, which has distorted market dynamics, resulting in costs and profits becoming unpredictable. This has also led to peers having to exert more effort in competing for limited resources.

The Kaisun Business Solution ("KBS") division in Hong Kong is also facing significant challenges in maintaining its competitive edge. It should be noted that in such a competitive economic environment, the Group's clients are also under immense pressure to demand a higher quality of service from us. At the same time, the squeeze on margins by our clients is becoming more pronounced, further squeezing the profit margins of the division. Despite this, the KBS division has managed to maintain its relationships with existing clients in 2024, which is a relatively positive sign for us, but also means that we will need to invest more resources in client retention and service quality in the future.

Overall, 2024 proved to be a challenging year. Thanks to the joint efforts of all employees, the Group maintained stable development under severe testing. As we look ahead to 2025, it is important to acknowledge the potential for greater challenges in China due to a number of factors, including the complex and everchanging global economic environment. The outlook is not optimistic. The Group will continue to strive to find breakthroughs in business growth and formulate more flexible strategies for different businesses to cope with the uncertainty of the external environment.

KAISUN ENERGY GROUP

Production and supply chain management of mineral resources, mining and metallurgical machinery

1. Shandong — Production of mining and metallurgical machinery

Tengzhou Kaiyuan Industrial Co., Ltd. ("Tengzhou Kaiyuan"), a subsidiary of the Group specialises in mining and metallurgical machinery production. It owns 50 mining product safety mark certificates and obtained the European standard certificate in the first quarter of 2023. Its major products are overhead manned cableway devices and their accessories, as well as technical consultancy services, including equipment installation, technical support, and after-sales services.

Analysis of China's Coal Equipment Demand in 2024

"Domestic coal prices have plummeted, prompting coal enterprises to scale back intelligentization investments," an industry insider from the coal sector revealed to the*Science and Technology Innovation Board Daily*. The source's company operates in the unmanned intelligent mining control segment of the coal industry. While not directly tied to routine fluctuations in coal prices, its business is significantly influenced by domestic coal industry policies and upgrades to existing coal mines. Consequently, the overall health of the coal sector critically impacts the development of this niche market.

In 2024, coal prices experienced volatile declines, with market-driven coal prices retreating sharply, placing the entire industry under pressure. According to National Bureau of Statistics data, the mining sector reported a total profit of RMB1.13 trillion in 2024, down 10.0% year-on-year, with operating revenue dropping 5.2% to RMB5.91 trillion. Operating costs fell 1.8% to RMB3.95 trillion.

The earnings downturn in 2024 reflects a widespread challenge across coal industry chain companies. As a cyclical sector, coal demand and pricing are subject to periodic fluctuations, with industry vitality vulnerable to shifts in domestic and international political and economic landscapes.

Market expectations indicate a clear supply-demand surplus pattern in the coal market. Regarding China's coal market outlook, a wait-and-see attitude prevails. Amid market uncertainties, the Group believes Tengzhou Kaiyuan Coal Machinery Equipment's business will navigate this period steadily.

(Source: https://mbd.baidu.com/newspage/data/landingshare?pageType=1&isBdboxFrom=1&context=%7B%22nid %22%3A%22news_943466436602222643%22%2C%22sourceFrom%22%3A%22search%22%7D&urlext=% 7 B % 2 2 c u i d % 2 2 % 3 A % 2 2 0 i - Q a _ a B v i g n u H u N _ a v O a g 8 1 S i g 4 a v a O g u S S a 0 a 6 2 i _ Z a 2 8 S 0 8 v e i _ iJQM0KfWMfhH8mA%22%7D&sid_for_share=)

Tengzhou Kaiyuan 2024 Summary

- Tengzhou Kaiyuan is accelerating the intelligent upgrading of mining machinery equipment and optimizing its product performance matrix to comprehensively enhance market competitiveness and brand value.
- By restructuring departmental frameworks, clarifying role-based accountability divisions, and revamping the employee performance evaluation system, the Company aims to strengthen cross-functional collaboration with a strategic goal to achieve sales revenue of HKD 18.81 million.





Tengzhou Kaiyuan production workshop

2. Shandong — Supply Chain Management Services

Shandong Kailai Energy Logistics Co., Ltd. ("Shandong Kailai") is a subsidiary of the Company. ("Shandong Kailai") specializes in coal supply chain management, loading and unloading, warehousing, coal blending, washing and logistics. It obtained the right from the Jinan Railway Bureau to use the dedicated railway line Yanzhou depot (Guanqiao Station). The Company has obvious location advantages since it is located at the southernmost end of the Jinan Railway Bureau and is the intersection of the Jinan Railway Bureau and Shanghai Railway Bureau. Many state-owned chemical companies are nearby, giving it a geographical advantage and no significant competitors. Shandong Kailai Logistics Centre covers an area of 110,000 square meters, including environmental protection equipment and storage centres, with an average annual loading and unloading capacity of 3 million tons.

Analysis of China's Coal Railway Transportation in 2024

China's coal and railway freight sectors have long maintained a symbiotic relationship, with nearly 60% of coal transported via railways and coal accounting for over half of total railway freight volume. According to data from the China National Coal Association, in 2023, national railway coal shipments reached 2.75 billion tons, representing 58.39% of China's total raw coal output and 54.61% of total railway freight volume.

In 2024, domestic thermal coal prices exhibited a volatile downward trajectory, declining from over RMB900 yuan/ton at the beginning of the year to below RMB800 yuan/ton during the peak consumption season by year-end. This downward trend persisted into 2025, with prices falling below RMB700 yuan/ton.

Driven by rising non-fossil energy power generation, increased coal imports, and weaker demand from construction materials and steel sectors, the coal market has remained sluggish over the past year. By early March 2025, coal prices hit a four-year low, accompanied by a significant contraction in coal transportation demand. Railway authorities, heavily reliant on coal for freight volume growth, face mounting performance evaluation pressures. The traditional "seller's market" dynamics in coal logistics have been disrupted, prompting railways to adopt flexible pricing mechanisms and integrated logistics contracting strategies to compete for limited cargo sources. Coal prices began declining broadly in October 2023, with accelerated depreciation from December 2024 to March 2025. As of March 11, the CCTD (China Coal Transport and Distribution Association) reference price for 5,500 kcal/kg thermal coal at Bohai Rim ports stood at RMB695 yuan/ton, marking a year-on-year decline of RMB221 yuan/ton (24.13%).

Railway data reveals substantial reductions in coal shipments at key bureaus compared to the market peak 2011. For instance, Taiyuan Railway Bureau—operator of major coal corridors like Daqin and Rizhao—shipped over 62 million tons of coal during the 2025 Spring Festival travel period (40 days), a 16.91% decrease from 74.62 million tons in 2021.

The 2024 coal market and railway logistics landscape experienced notable volatility, with the railway freight industry grappling with supply-demand adjustment pressures due to cyclical transportation capacity constraints. In response, Shandong Kailai Group has implemented prudent and steady operational strategies aligned with national logistics policies, informed by continuous analysis of coal industry dynamics, to mitigate risks arising from multifaceted market uncertainties.

(Source: https://www.cnenergynews.cn/news/2025/03/13/detail_20250313204183.html)

Shandong Kailai 2024 Summary

- Completed the construction of exterior walls at the West Freight Yard and commenced the development of Dust Suppression Shelter No. 4, driving advancements in environmental management. Progressed initiatives in corporate governance, environmental protection, and social responsibility (ESG) to implement the green and low-carbon enterprise transformation, aligning with sustainable development goals.
- Cumulative coal trading sales revenue for 2024 reached approximately HKD67.52 million.







Shandong Kailai Logistics Platform

3. Xinjiang — coal mining business (a wholly owned subsidiary of Shandong Kailai)

Xinjiang Turpan Xingliang Mining Co., Ltd. ("Xingliang Mining") is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shandong Kailai, located in Qiquanhu Town, Turpan City. The mine in the Tuha Coalfield is one of the four significant coalfields in Xinjiang. Its coal types are mainly long-flame coal, suitable for power generation and chemical coal. In 2018, Xingliang Mining signed an integrity agreement with the Gaochang District Government, using Xingliang Mining as the integration body to consolidate the resources of nearby small-scale coal mines.

Xingliang Mining was approved for a prospecting license in August 2020 and a 1.2 million tons/year mining license in the fourth quarter of 2022. In addition, the fire area control and coal fire extinguishing project was approved in 2021, and a cooperation agreement was reached with the construction team on the fire area control project, launched in November 2023.

Analysis of Xinjiang Coal Mining Industry in 2024

"Since last year, the coal market has been grappling with a pronounced supply-demand imbalance, leading to persistent price declines and severe profitability erosion across coal enterprises. Currently, half of domestic coal companies are operating at a loss," stated Wu Qiang, Academician of the Chinese Academy of Engineering, Academician of the International Eurasian Academy of Sciences, Professor and Doctoral Supervisor at China University of Mining and Technology (Beijing), and Director of the National Engineering Research Center for Coal Mine Water Hazard Prevention and Control, in an exclusive interview with China Mining News. He expressed concerns over the current market dynamics and urged strategic interventions, including scientifically rationalising coal production capacity, optimizing supply structures, and refining coal pricing mechanisms, to mitigate extreme market volatility and prevent disruptive "boom-bust cycles."

Since the second half of 2024, the coal market's oversupply has become an indisputable reality. Yet, this trend continues to deteriorate, underscored by persistently high inventory levels that remain on an upward trajectory and coal prices in freefall with no clear bottom in sight.

(Source: https://m.thepaper.cn/baijiahao_30493041?sdkver=7d05c2f1)

The coal market's supply-demand imbalance has triggered continuous price declines, with accelerated depreciation in late February narrowing profitability across all industry segments and driving profound industry realignment. Our Group identifies structural contradictions in the current market: production-side cost advantages are negated by high logistics expenses, compounded by systemic downward shifts in market price benchmarks, rendering the "low extraction cost vs. high circulation cost" operational model unsustainable. Consequently, the Company is formulating dynamic market response strategies to optimize supply-demand systems in alignment with the emerging competitive landscape.

Xinjiang Xingliang Mine 2024 Summary

- Xingliang Mining rigorously implements coal mine safety production standards. The Company completed its 18-month fire control and remediation project in the mining area on schedule, focusing on comprehensive management of fire-affected zones, thereby establishing a safety foundation for mine commissioning.
- Starting in Q4 2023, the Company leveraged engineering coal derived from remediation operations to build a sales network covering key industrial enterprises in Xinjiang. Major clients include state-owned thermal power plants, large cement manufacturers, and chemical companies. The Company is concurrently expanding its sales market beyond Xinjiang. Full-year engineering coal sales revenue reached HKD1,006 million.





Current status of fire extinguishing works



Coal yard

4. Mongolia — Supply Chain Management Services

Choir Logistic Service LLC, acquired by Kaisun Group, is located near the Erenhot Port in China. The location serves as a crucial transportation and logistics hub for China, Mongolia, and Russia, providing significant location advantages. The Choir platform spans an area of 35,000 square meters and has an average annual loading and unloading capacity of 1.8 million tons. The primary services offered by Choir include loading and unloading, warehousing, logistics, and customs clearance.

Analysis of Mongolia's Coal Industry in 2024

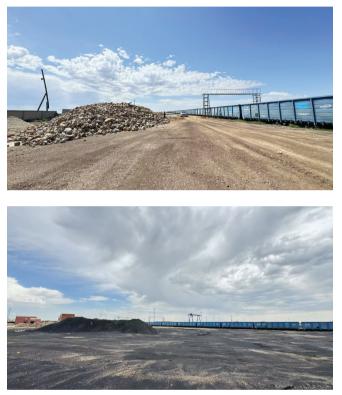
According to statistical data released by the National Statistical Office of Mongolia, coal production and export volumes in Mongolia demonstrated synchronized substantial growth during the first 11 months of 2024, surpassing annual totals from the previous year. Full-year coal output is projected to approach 100 million metric tons, with exports estimated at approximately 85 million tons. During this period, Mongolia engaged in trade activities with 158 countries, achieving a total import-export merchandise trade volume of USD 25.2 billion. Export revenues reached USD 14.6 billion, with mineral products accounting for 87% (USD 12.7 billion) of total exports, primarily coal, copper concentrate, and gold. Imports totalled USD 10.6 billion, yielding a trade surplus of USD 4 billion.

Mongolia has capitalized on sustained growth in Chinese coal demand through strategic enhancements, leveraging its geographical proximity to China. The government has intensified infrastructure investments in border ports and optimized customs clearance efficiency to deepen Sino-Mongolian trade cooperation. The operationalization of the Choir Logistics Center has further catalyzed industrial chain upgrades, facilitating high-quality, full-cycle development across supply chain ecosystems.

(Source: https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s?__biz=MzA5NjYxMTc4OA==&idx=1&mid=2649820502&sn=3325007994b5a bac63bc1faf8afc6d47)

The Choir Project 2024 Annual Summary

• The Group authorized Sainsaikhan Consulting Services LLC to be the construction, operation and strategic contractor of the Choir Project. In 2024, the cumulative cooperation income from the project will be approximately HK\$3.15 million.



Choir platform

Development Goals for 2025

Shandong — Production of mining and metallurgical machinery

- Develop diversified application scenarios, expand product line types and end-user coverage, and ensure sustained growth in corporate profitability through lean production control.
- Optimize the accounts receivable management mechanism, enhance the efficiency of debt collection and risk prevention, accelerate the efficiency of capital recovery, and maintain a healthy cash flow.

Shandong — Supply Chain Management Services

- Implement environmental protection measures, promote the main construction of the fourth phase of dust suppression facilities, and systematically improve environmental governance capabilities.
- Build a professional coal marketing system, cultivate a high-quality sales team, explore incremental market resources, and simultaneously increase revenue scale and operating cash flow.

Xinjiang — Coal Mining Business

- Establish a standardized safety production control system, optimize the management organizational structure, and strengthen the supervision mechanism for safety regulations execution by the mining operation team.
- Implement digital control throughout the mining-storage-transportation-sales process, improve the financial accounting and human resources system, deepen the application of financial data analysis, and enhance the efficiency of capital utilization.

Mongolia — Supply Chain Management Services

• Consolidate strategic partnerships, broaden resource collaboration dimensions, ensure long-term stable operation of projects, and promote the continuous value-added development of the business ecosystem.

KAISUN BUSINESS SOLUTION

Event Management & Consulting Services

In 2024, the Event Management & Consulting Services division saw an increase in its total number of projects, with revenue also rising. However, this was accompanied by a increase in the turnover of each project and an increase in costs, resulting in the need to increase manpower to cope with more demands from clients, while earning less profit at the same time. This phenomenon is not an isolated case, as even the world's top three foreign public relations firms are facing a period of team cuts and client losses. The team is attempting to mitigate the decline in profits by working harder to win more projects. The deterioration of the business environment compared to the pre-epidemic period is a challenge that the PR team will have to face in the coming years.

The team has been able to maintain long-term relationships with existing clients through the consistent delivery of quality services, which has always been its core competitive advantage, and the team hopes to attract more potential clients in the future through the provision of professional and quality services. Looking ahead to 2025, the team will continue to focus on enhancing its competitiveness and visibility in the industry while maintaining cost efficiency.

Kaisun Trust

Kaisun Trust performed solidly overall in 2024, but faces challenges similar to those currently being experienced by other professional services sectors. Firstly, clients are becoming increasingly price-sensitive, demanding lower prices whilst expecting higher quality services. Secondly, the digital transformation of the professional services industry has led to increased operating costs, such as software fees, which have further compressed the division's profit margins. Notwithstanding these challenges, Kaisun Trust remains a reliable revenue stream for the Group.

Looking forward to 2025, the team will explore a wider range of business scope, a change that is expected to reinvigorate the trust business and enhance its competitiveness in the market.

e-Sports Business

The Group's e-Sports business is almost at a standstill in 2024. The e-Sports team is actively looking for a new way forward, but it seems difficult to change the status quo in the short term. In light of the global economic downturn in the e-sports industry, the Group must reassess the growth potential of the business and evaluate the necessity of ongoing investment. Should the global e-sports industry continue to experience a period of decline in the coming years, it may be more rational to consider a reduction in our activities or even to exit the sector entirely.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Revenue of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2024 amounted to approximately HK\$1,112.3 million, represented an increase of approximately 272.1% when compared with the same period in 2023 (2023: HK\$298.9 million). The increase in revenue was mainly attributable to the increase in revenue generated from production and sales of coal from approximately HK\$79.2 million in 2023 to approximately HK\$1,001.8 million in 2024.

The Group's gross profit for the year ended 31 December 2024 increased approximately 71.0% to approximately HK\$135.6 million when compared with the same period in 2023 (2023: HK\$79.3 million) which was in line with the increase in revenue during 2024. The gross profit margin of the Group was decreased when compared with 2023, the reason for such decrease is due to the fierce competition facing by the Group as stated in the interim chairman's statement.

Investment and other income decreased from approximately HK\$24.6 million to approximately HK\$3.7 million in 2024, the decrease is mainly due to the Group no longer recognised any service income for coal fire extinguishment works during 2024.

Administrative and other operating expenses were approximately HK\$80.7 million (2023: HK\$90.8 million), the decrease in administrative and other operating expenses was mainly resulted from the Group's effort on cost control in response to the financial difficulties faced by the Group.

Finance costs remained relatively stable for the year ended 31 December 2024, amounted to approximately HK\$21.4 million (2023: approximately HK\$21.6 million).

Combining the effects of the above, the Group recorded a profit for the year of approximately HK\$11.4 million (loss for 2023: HK\$28.0 million) and the total comprehensive income attributable to owners of the Company for the year 2024 amounted to approximately HK\$11.6 million (2023: comprehensive loss of HK\$35.3 million).

As at 31 December 2024, the Group held financial assets at FVTPL of approximately HK\$11.4 million, wholly comprised of listed investment in securities listed in Hong Kong. In the midst of poor performance of Hong Kong stock market in 2024, the fair value loss on financial assets at FVTPL was approximately HK\$4.3 million for the year ended 2024 (2023: fair value loss HK\$1.3 million). The details of financial assets at FVTPL are set out as follow:

	Number of shares held as at	% of share- holding as at	Unrealized gain/(loss) on fair value change for the year ended	Fair val	ue as at	% of the Group's total assets as at		Reasons for
			31 December				Investment	
Company Name	2024	2024	2024 <i>HK\$</i>	2024 <i>HK\$</i>	2023 <i>HK\$</i>	2024	cost HK\$	loss
Hong Kong Listed Securities								
ASMPT Limited (0522) (Note 1)	11,000	0.0026%	(301,850)	823,900	_	0.11%	1,125,750	Drop in share price
Baidu, Inc. (9888) <i>(Note 2)</i>	1,100	0.00004%	(36,740)	90,970	127,710	0.01%	182,700	Drop in share
Bilibili Inc. (9626) <i>(Note 3)</i>	660	0.0002%	31,944	93,720	61,776	0.01%	391,610	
ENN Energy Holdings Limited (2688) (Note 4)	10,000	0.0009%	(16,500)	558,500	575,000	0.08%	971,495	Drop in share price
Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (0388) <i>(Note 5)</i>	5,000	0.0004%	134,000	1,474,000	1,340,000	0.20%	1,799,000	_
HSBC Holdings plc (0005) (Note 6)	30,000	0.0002%	384,000	2,274,000	1,890,000	0.31%	1,468,500	_
JD.com Inc. (9618) <i>(Note 7)</i>	166	0.00001%	3,901	22,576	18,675	0.003%	_	_
MEITUAN (3690) <i>(Note 8)</i>	350	0.00001%	24,430	53,095	28,665	0.01%	—	—
MTR Corporation (0066) (Note 9)	50,000	0.0008%	(160,000)	1,355,000	1,515,000	0.18%	1,517,500	Drop in share price
Tencent Holdings Limited (0700) (Note 10)	3,500	0.00004%	431,900	1,459,500	1,027,600	0.20%	1,994,750	_
Tracker Fund of Hong Kong (2800) (Note 11)	80,000	0.0012%	245,600	1,620,800	1,375,200	0.22%	1,620,800	_
Wealthking Investments Limited (1140) (Note 12)	17,476,000	0.1661%	(5,068,040)	1,572,840	6,640,880	0.21%	24,943,440	Drop in share price
Total			(4,327,355)	11,398,901	14,600,506	1.54%	36,015,545	

Notes:

- 1. ASMPT Limited (HKEx: 0522) ASMPT Limited engaged in the design, manufacture and marketing of machines, tools and materials used in the semiconductor and electronic assembly industries.
- 2. Baidu Inc (HKEx: 9888) Baidu Inc is a leading AI company with a strong Internet foundation.
- 3. Bilibili Inc (HKEx: 9626) Bilibili Inc is an iconic brand and a leading video community for young generations in China. The group is a fullspectrum video community that offers a wide array of content serving young generations' diverse interests.
- 4. ENN Energy Holdings Limited (HKEx: 2688) The principal businesses of ENN Energy Holdings Limited are gas connection, sales of piped gas, construction and operation of vehicle gas refuelling stations, wholesale of gas, distribution of bottled liquefied petroleum gas ("LPG") and sales of gas appliances and materials.
- 5. Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEx: 0388) Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited is Own and operate the only stock exchange and a futures exchange in Hong Kong and their related clearing houses, trading of base metals forward and options contracts operating in the UK.
- 6. HSBC Holdings plc (HKEx: 0005) HSBC Holdings plc products and services are delivered to clients through four global businesses: Retail Banking and Wealth Management ("RBWM"), Commercial Banking ("CMB"), Global Banking and Markets ("GB&M") and Global Private Banking ("GPB").
- 7. JD.com Inc (HKEx: 9618) JD.com Inc is a leading technology driven e-commerce company transforming to become a leading supply chainbased technology and service provider.
- 8. Meituan (HKEx: 3690) Meituan provides platform which uses technology to connect consumers and merchants and offer diversified daily services, including food delivery, in-store, hotel and travel booking and other services.
- 9. MTR Corporation Limited (HKEx: 0066) MTR Corporation Limited's businesses consist of (i) recurrent businesses (comprising Hong Kong transport operations, Hong Kong station commercial businesses, Hong Kong property rental and management businesses, and other businesses (collectively referred to as "recurrent businesses in Hong Kong"), and Mainland China and international railway, property rental and management businesses (referred as "recurrent businesses outside of Hong Kong"), and both excluding fair value measurement of investment properties) and (ii) property development businesses (together with recurrent businesses referred to as "underlying businesses").
- 10. Tencent Holdings Limited (HKEx: 0700) Tencent Holdings Limited is principally engaged in the provision of VAS, FinTech and Business Services and Online Advertising services.
- 11. Tracker Fund of Hong Kong (HKEx: 2800) Tracker Fund of Hong Kong is a unit trust which is governed by its Trust Deed dated 23rd October 1999, as amended, supplemented or restated from time to time. The Fund is authorized by the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong under Section 104(1) of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Ordinance.
- 12. Wealthking Investments Limited (HKEx: 1140) The principal investment objective is to achieve earnings for the Company in the form of medium to long term capital appreciation through investing in a diversified portfolio of global investments in listed and unlisted enterprises.

MATERIAL ASSET IMPAIRMENTS

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the Group recognized impairment losses totaling approximately \$44.36 million, comprising approximately \$21.55 million on trade and other receivables, approximately \$9.77 million on right-of-use assets, and approximately \$13.04 million on property, plant and equipment. The impairment loss of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are all related to Shandong Kailai. The reason for the impairment loss of property, plant and equipment and equipment and right-of-use assets is that Shandong Kailai is making a loss during the year ended 31 December 2024, according to the relevant accounting standard, when the entity is loss making, the property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets shall be impaired as the assets' carrying values are no longer fully recoverable through their continued use in operations. Besides, the reason for the impairment loss on trade and other receivables is resulted from the ECL assessment from the Group's external valuation experts.

The impairment assessment of trade receivables and other receivables as of 31 December 2024 was supported by an independent valuation performed in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standard 9. Two valuation methodologies were applied: the Simplified Approach for trade receivables, which involved analyzing historical provision rates through a provision matrix; and the General Approach for other receivables, where instruments were classified into Stage 1, Stage 2, or Stage 3 based on their credit risk profile — with 12-month expected credit losses ("ECL") recognized for Stage 1 and lifetime ECL for Stages 2 and 3. Key parameters such as Probability of Default, Loss Given Default, Exposure at Default, and Discount Factor were sourced from Moody's Default Research and other credible market data. To ensure the valuation reflected current economic conditions, forward-looking adjustments were incorporated, translating through-the-cycle ratings into point-in-time estimates. Notably, the valuation methods and key inputs remained consistent with those applied in prior periods.

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

As at 31 December 2024, the Group has bank and cash balances of approximately HK\$70.8 million (2023: HK\$9.9 million).

The net current liabilities of the Group as at 31 December 2024 amounted to approximately HK\$249.5 million. The net current liabilities status of the Group revealed potential going concern issues of the Group, to address the going concern issue, the management of the Group will if necessary, liaise with creditors on the maturity dates and repayment schedule of debts so that the Group can continue as a going concern; and consider fund-raising activities in the future. The Company will issue further announcements as of when appropriate in this regard.

GEARING RATIO

The Group's gearing ratio, which represents the ratio of the Group's bonds payables over the Group's total assets, was 0.06 as at 31 December 2024 (2023: 0.09).

FOREIGN EXCHANGE EXPOSURE

Majority of the trading transactions, assets and liabilities of the Group were denominated in Hong Kong dollars, Renminbi ("RMB") and United States dollars. As at 31 December 2024, the Group had no other significant exposure under foreign exchange contracts, interest, currency swaps or other financial derivatives.

INCOME TAX

Details of the Group's income tax expenses/credit for the year 2024 are set out in note 12 to the consolidated financial statements.

HUMAN RESOURCES

As at 31 December 2024, the Group had 107 (2023: 115) staff in Hong Kong and China.

The Group continues to employ, promote and reward its staff with reference to their performance and experience. In addition to their basic salaries, the Group's employees are also entitled to other fringe benefits such as provident fund. The management will continue to closely monitor the human resources requirements of the Group, and will also put emphasis on the staff quality. During the year 2024, the Group had not experienced any significant labour disputes which led to the disruption of its normal business operations. The Directors consider the Group's relationship with its employees to be good.

The total staff costs, including Directors' emoluments, amounted to approximately HK\$30.9 million (2023: HK\$23.2 million) for the year 2024.

SEGMENT REPORT

The detailed segmental analysis are provided in note 43 to the consolidated financial statements.

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2024.

LITIGATION

As at 31 December 2024, the Group had no significant pending litigation.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

As at 31 December 2024, the Company has 583,415,844 shares of HK\$0.1 each in issue (2023: 583,415,844 shares of HK\$0.1 each).

CHARGES ON THE GROUP'S ASSETS

There was no charge on the Group's assets as at 31 December 2024.

SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT, MATERIAL ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL

Saved as disclosed in this annual report, there is no significant investment nor material acquisition and disposal undertaken by the Group during the year.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There were no significant events after the year ended 31 December 2024 and up to the date of this report.

OTHER INFORMATION

At the request to the Stock Exchange, the Board would like to provide the following information:

Discloseable Transactions — Acquisition of Listed Securities of EJE (Hong Kong) Holdings Limited

The Board announces that the Group has acquired 9,800,000 shares in EJE (Hong Kong) Holdings Limited ("EJE") (HKEx Stock Code: 8101) for an aggregate consideration of approximately HK\$14 million in a series of trade executed on the open market during the period from 5 December 2019 to 14 January 2020. The average purchase price of each share in EJE was approximately HK\$0.143. The purchase price paid by the Group for each transaction was the market price of EJE and was financed by internal resources of the Group. The 9,800,000 shares in EJE acquired by the Group represented approximately 2.82% of the issued share capital of EJE as at the date of this annual report.

As the 9,800,000 shares of EJE acquired by the Group were acquired through the open market, the Directors were not aware of the identities of the sellers of the 9,800,000 shares of EJE. To the best knowledge, information and belief of the Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, each of the sellers and, if applicable, its ultimate beneficial owners is a third party independent of the Company and its connected persons (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules).

Information of EJE

EJE is an exempted company incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability and its shares are listed on the GEM of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 8101). EJE and its subsidiaries are principally engaged in (i) manufacture of custom made furniture; (ii) the design, manufacture and sale of mattress and soft bed products; (iii) property investment; (iv) securities investment; and (v) money lending.

The following financial information is extracted from the published unaudited management accounts and the annual report of EJE:

	Year ended 31 March			
	2021	2020	2019	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
	(unaudited)	(audited)	(audited)	
(For continuing operations)				
Revenue	84,796	140,464	130,308	
(Loss)/profit before taxation	(18,201)	62,791	(7,430)	
(Loss)/profit after taxation	(20,435)	61,879	(613)	
Total assets	923,459	915,216	628,877	
Net asset value	426,330	393,374	313,090	

Reasons for and benefits of the acquisitions

The Company considered that based on the EJE's stable development of business and the recent downside of shares of EJE, the acquisitions of shares of EJE represented an investment opportunity of the Group.

As the acquisitions were made at market price, the Directors were of the view that the terms of the acquisitions were fair and reasonable, on normal commercial terms, and in the interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole.

As at the date of this annual report, the Group beneficially owns 9,800,000 shares of EJE. The investment in EJE is accounted for as financial assets at FVTPL and EJE's financial results have not been consolidated in the accounts of the Group. EJE was delisted on 21 December 2022.

Listing Rules Implications

As one or more of the application percentage ratios for the acquisitions of the shares of EJE, when aggregated, exceeded 5% but all of them were less than 25% under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules, the acquisitions together constituted a discloseable transaction of the Company and was subject to the reporting and announcement requirements under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules.

Discloseable Transactions — Acquisition of Listed Securities of Tesson Holdings Limited

The Board announces that the Group has acquired 13,215,000 shares in Tesson Holdings Limited ("Tesson") (HKEx Stock Code: 1201) for an aggregate consideration of approximately HK\$6.2 million in a series of trade executed on the open market on 9 September 2020. The average purchase price of each share in Tesson was approximately HK\$0.469. The purchase price paid by the Group for each transaction was the market price of Tesson and was financed by internal resources of the Group. The 13,215,000 shares in Tesson acquired by the Group represented approximately 1.07% of the issued share capital of EJE as at the date of this annual report.

As the 13,215,000 shares of Tesson acquired by the Group were acquired through the open market, the Directors were not aware of the identities of the sellers of the 13,215,000 shares of Tesson. To the best knowledge, information and belief of the Directors, having made all reasonable enquiries, each of the sellers and, if applicable, its ultimate beneficial owners is a third party independent of the Company and its connected persons (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules).

Information of Tesson

Tesson is an exempted company incorporated in Bermuda with limited liability and its shares are listed on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange (stock code: 1201). Tesson and its subsidiaries are principally engaged in (i) the manufacturing and sale of lithium ion motive battery, lithium ion battery module, battery charging devices, battery materials machines and production lines, new energy solution and sale of relevant equipment, investment holding and import and export trading; and (ii) the property development business, as well as the cultural industry related business, including large-scale event production and themed museums, and architectural design and engineering.

The following financial information is extracted from the published unaudited management accounts and the annual report of Tesson:

	Year ended 31 December		
	2021	2020	2019
	НК\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
	(unaudited)	(audited)	(audited)
Revenue	171,294	762,891	912,346
(Loss)/profit before taxation	(455,936)	112,974	(93,761)
(Loss)/profit after taxation	(434,886)	39,482	(125,762)
Total assets	2,672,914	2,993,795	3,175,512
Net asset value	865,444	1,240,390	1,105,276

Reasons for and benefits of the acquisitions

The Company considered that the acquisitions of shares of Tesson represented an investment opportunity of the Group as it is optimistic on the future development of Tesson.

As the acquisitions were made at market price, the Directors were of the view that the terms of the acquisitions were fair and reasonable, on normal commercial terms, and in the interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole.

The investment in Tesson is accounted for as financial assets at FVTPL and Tesson's financial results have not been consolidated in the accounts of the Group. During the year ended 31 December 2022, the shares of Tesson held by the Group were disposed.

Listing Rules Implications

As one or more of the application percentage ratios for the acquisitions of the shares of Tesson, when aggregated, exceeded 5% but all of them were less than 25% under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules, the acquisitions together constituted a discloseable transaction of the Company and was subject to the reporting and announcement requirements under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules.

Omissions of the Company to Disclose the Discloseable Transactions

The omissions by the Company to comply with the GEM Listing Rules requirements to make timely disclosure for the acquisitions of shares of EJE and Tesson was due to inadvertent mistake from the Company having believed that the acquisitions of shares of EJE and Tesson were of a revenue nature and in the ordinary and usual course of business of certain members of the Group and they would therefore be exempt from the requirements under Chapter 19 of the GEM Listing Rules pursuant to Rule 19.04(1)(g) of the GEM Listing Rules.

The Company wishes to apologise for the above non-compliances and hereby provide details of the acquisitions of shares of EJE and Tesson.

To avoid any similar delay in notification in the future and to fine tune the Group's internal control procedures, the Company will (i) continuously review and oversee the legal and regulatory compliance procedures and internal controls of the Group to ensure that all existing and further transactions of the Company fully comply with the Listing Rules; (ii) provide written guideline on the procedures for similar transactions to all Directors, senior management and relevant personnel of the Company, which would include requiring written calculation of the relevant size tests as to whether public disclosure is required before entering into similar transactions and closely monitoring the transactions entered into from time to time; and (iii) provide further training to the Directors, the senior management and the relevant personnel of the Company to help them better understand any new requirements of the GEM Listing Rules and identify any potential notifiable transactions of the Group on a timely basis.

At the request of the Stock Exchange, the Board would like to further provide the following information:

Loans to Up Energy Development Group Limited and Advance of Restructuring Cost *Background*

As at 31 December 2014, Up Energy (Fukang) Coal Washing Ltd., a subsidiary of Up Energy Development Group Limited ("Up Energy", former HKEx Stock Code: 307, together with its subsidiaries, "Up Energy Group"), was a trade debtor of the Group with an outstanding amount of approximately HK\$9.6 million payable to the Group.

As disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31 March 2015 of Up Energy, the Up Energy Group had a net current liabilities status and there was a significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

The Loans

During the period from 22 September 2015 to 11 December 2015, the Company (as lender) entered into a series of loan agreements with Up Energy (as borrower) to lend an aggregate amount of HK\$15,000,000 to Up Energy with loan period of one year and interest rate of 17% respectively.

The Advance on Restructuring Cost

On 19 September 2016, the Supreme Court of Bermuda ruled that joint provisional liquidators will be appointed by the Bermudan court order on a soft touch basis to supervise the restructuring of Up Energy, and thereafter the debt restructuring process of Up Energy commenced.

During the debt restructuring process, due to the Group's knowledge and experience in the coal mining business, Kaisun Consulting Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, was engaged as coordinator for certain creditors of Up Energy and introducer of financing of Up Energy. The engagement was an engagement under the Group's corporate services business segment, subject to certain conditions, the Group's service fee under the engagement was ranged from HK\$5 million to HK\$50 million.

In order to facilitate the debt restructuring process of Up Energy, during the period from October 2016 to December 2019, the Group advanced restructuring cost of approximately HK\$24.3 million, which in the management's view was incidental to the engagement.

Reasons for and benefits of the loans to Up Energy and the advance on restructuring costs

As disclosed in the annual report for the year ended 31 March 2015 of Up Energy, as at 31 March 2015, Up Energy Group had total assets amounted to approximately HK\$20 billion and net assets amount to approximately HK\$10 billion. Given the vast amount of assets owned by the Up Energy Group, the management of the relevant times were of the view that the financial difficulties faced by Up Energy were temporary and there was a very high chance that the restructuring would be successful.

The loans to Up Energy and the advance on restructuring costs would facilitate and speed up the debt restructuring process, which in turn would facilitate and speed up the recovery of outstanding amount payable to the Group by Up Energy.

It was the management's view that the risks associated with the loans to Up Energy and the advance on restructuring costs was low as the amount of loans and advance were insignificant when compared to the assets owned by the Up Energy Group.

Current Status

On 5 January 2022, the shares of Up Energy were delisted from the Stock Exchange. As at the date of this report, the liquidation of Up Energy is still in progress. Despite being fully impaired, the management of the Group is still optimistic on the recovery of the outstanding balances of trade receivables, loans to Up Energy and the advanced restructuring cost (together "amounts due from Up Energy"). Upon recovery of amounts due from Up Energy with related interest receivables, following the completion of the liquidation procedures, it is expected that the liquidity of the Group will be improved. Further updates will be provided as and when appropriate.

On the other hand, the Group actively entered into negotiations with the Group's creditors. During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group entered into a deed of novation with certain creditors of the Group, for which the Group assigned receivables of approximately HK\$29,978,000 of amounts due from Up Energy to certain creditors of the Group to set off the same amount of debts due to the creditors, resulted in a reversal of impairment loss on trade and other receivables of approximately HK\$29,978,000 and a reduction in other payables, interest payable and bonds payable of approximately HK\$10,000,000, HK\$16,778,000 and HK\$3,200,000 respectively.

Biography of Directors and Senior Management

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph, aged 64, is the interim chairman, member of Remuneration Committee and Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee of the Group. He was appointed as an executive director in September 2008. He was issued a Prejudice to Investors' Interests Statement by the Stock Exchange on 10 December 2024. For more details, please refer to the Statement of Disciplinary Action issued by Stock Exchange on 10 December 2024.

Mr. Chan has over 30 years of experience in commercial and investment banking, and asset management. From 1994 to now, Mr. Chan has been a founding partner of Oriental Patron Financial Group where he is also executive director of Oriental Patron Asia Limited and a non-executive director of Oriental Patron Securities Limited. From 19 February 2013 to 4 March 2016, he is the non-executive director and from 4 March 2016 to 14 November 2024, he is the independent non-executive director, member of each of Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee and Nomination Committee of North Asia Strategic Holdings Limited (Stock Code: 8080), a company listed on the GEM of the Stock Exchange. On social services, Mr. Chan is Chairman of Silk Road Economic Development Research Centre, Honorary Chairman of Hong Kong Energy, Mining and Commodities Association Limited, Vice Chairman of China Hong Kong Economic Trading International Association and Vice President of Federation of Hong Kong Hubei Association and Honorary Advisor of Xinjiang Association of Hong Kong.

He holds licenses respectively of Type 1 (dealing in securities), Type 6 (advising on corporate finance), and Type 9 (asset management) under the Securities and Futures Ordinance (cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong).

Mr. Yang Yongcheng, aged 55, is an interim executive director. He was appointed as an executive director in February 2009, and compliance officer with effect from 31 December 2016. He graduated from the Yikezhao League School of Finance (伊盟財經學校) in Inner Mongolia of the PRC and the China Central Radio & TV University, majoring in financial accounting. He holds an EMBA from the Zhongnan University of Economics and Law. He was issued a Prejudice to Investors' Interests Statement by the Stock Exchange on 10 December 2024. For more details, please refer to the Statement of Disciplinary Action issued by Stock Exchange on 10 December 2024.

Mr. Yang has been involved in senior positions for corporate management for a long period of time, has profound knowledge of the human and economic development environment in the Mengxi region of Inner Mongolia of the PRC, and possesses extensive experience in corporate investment, product and market development as well as operation of minerals enterprises.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

All the executive directors of the Company are respectively responsible for various aspects of the business and operation of the Group. All executive directors are regarded as members of the senior management team of the Group.

Directors' Report

The board ("Board") of directors ("Directors") of the Company is pleased to submit its report together with the audited consolidated financial statements ("Financial Statements") of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively as "the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2024.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND SEGMENT ANALYSIS OF OPERATIONS

The principal activity of the Company is investment holding. The activities of the subsidiaries are set out in note 38 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

An analysis of the Group's performance for the year ended 31 December 2024 by segments is set out in note 43 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

RESULTS AND APPROPRIATIONS

The results of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2024 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss on page 72.

The Directors do not recommend the payment of a dividend in respect of the year ended 31 December 2024.

BUSINESS REVIEW

A review of the business of the Group for the year 2024 and a discussion on the Group's future business development and the principal risks and uncertainties facing the Group are provided in the Interim Chairman's Statement, Management Discussion and Analysis from pages 5 to 27. In addition, the financial risk management objectives and policies of the Group can be found in note 6 of the Consolidated Financial Statements. An analysis of the Group's performance during the year 2024 using financial key performance indicators is provided in the Financial Summary on page 4.

The Group has complied with the relevant laws and regulations that have significant impact on the operations of the Group.

The Group recognizes that our employees, customers and business partners are the keys to our sustainable development. The Group is committed to establishing a close and caring relationship with our employees, providing guality services to our customers and enhancing cooperation with our business partners.

In addition, details regarding the Group's performance by reference to environmental and social-related key performance indicators and policies, as well as relationships with its employees, customers and suppliers during this financial year, required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.91 of the Listing Rules. For more information, please refer to the environmental, social and governance report to be issued by the Group. This report will be available for viewing and downloading from the websites of the Group and Hong Kong Stock Exchange after its publication.

RESERVES

Movements in the reserves of the Group during the year ended 31 December 2024 are set out in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and consolidated statement of changes in equity of the Group.

Directors' Report

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Details of the movements in property, plant and equipment of the Group are set out in note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

SHARE CAPITAL

Particulars of the share capital of the Company are set out in note 34 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

Distributable reserves of the Company as at 31 December 2024 amounted to HK\$Nil (2023: HK\$Nil). Under Section 34 of the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the reserves are available for distribution to shareholders subject to the provisions of the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles") and no distribution shall be paid to shareholders of the Company ("Shareholders") out of the reserves unless the Company shall be able to pay its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business of the Group.

DIVIDEND POLICY

Our dividend policy is to recommend dividend distribution to shareholders, where circumstances permits, at a payout ratio of 20% of eligible profits for the year, with the remainder of the profits retained as capital for future use.

The recommendation of the payment of any dividend is subject to the absolute discretion of the Board, and any declaration of final dividend will be subject to the approval of the Shareholders. In proposing any dividend payout, the Board shall also take into account the following factors:

- the Group's operations, earnings, financial condition, cash requirements and availability,
- capital expenditure and future development requirements,
- any restrictions under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the articles of association of the Company ("Articles of Association") and the Shareholders, and
- other factors it may deem relevant at such time.

The Dividend Policy will be reviewed from time to time, however, it is not guaranteed that dividend will be proposed within any period of time.

FIVE YEARS FINANCIAL SUMMARY

A summary of the published results and the assets and liabilities of the Group for each of the last five financial years is set out on page 4.

PERMITTED INDEMNITY PROVISION

A permitted indemnity provision for the benefit of the Directors is currently in force throughout the financial year.

The Company has taken out and maintained directors' liability insurance throughout the year, which provides approximate cover for the Directors of the Group.

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

During the year ended 31 December 2024, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries has purchased or sold any of its listed securities.

PENSION SCHEME

According to the legislation of Hong Kong relating to the Mandatory Provident Fund ("MPF"), with effect from 1 December 2000, the Group is required to participate in the MPF scheme operated by approved trustees in Hong Kong and to make contributions for its eligible employees. The contributions borne by the Group are calculated at 5% of the salaries and wages (monthly contributions is limited to HK\$1,500 for each eligible employee) as calculated under the MPF legislation.

SHARED-BASED COMPENSATION SCHEME

The Company operates Share Award Scheme 2016 for the purpose of assisting in recruiting, retaining and motivating key staff members. Eligible participants of the schemes include the Company's directors (including independent non-executive directors) and other employees of the Group.

Share Award Scheme 2016

The Company adopted the Share Award Scheme 2016 on 14 June 2016 ("Share Award Scheme 2016"). Subject to any early termination as may be determined by the Board by a resolution of the Board, Share Award Scheme 2016 shall be valid and effective for a term of 5 years commencing from the date of the Scheme. The Board shall not make any further award of Awarded Shares which will result in the total number of issued Shares awarded by the Board under Share Award Scheme 2016 exceeding 10% of the total number of issued Shares from time to time.

No shares were purchased by the trustee of the Share Award Scheme 2016 for years ended 31 December 2024 and 2023. During the year ended 31 December 2019, the trustee of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, purchased on the Stock Exchange a total of 12,440,000 shares for total consideration of approximately HK\$2,976,000. During the year ended 31 December 2018, the trustee of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, pursuant to the terms of the rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme 2016, purchased on the Stock Exchange a total of 1,170,000 shares for total consideration of approximately HK\$395,000. Hence, the total no. of shares in the Share Award Scheme as at 31 December 2024 was 13,610,000, represented approximately 2.33% of the issued capital of the Group.

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Details of grantees in the Share Award Scheme 2016 are set out below:

		Number of Awarded		Closing price of shares on the
Grantee	Date of Award	Shares	Vesting Date	grant date
17 Selected Employees	2 June 2017	11,305,200	On or before 26 June 2017	HK\$0.42
Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph (Executive Director)	22 March 2018	3,081,000	22 March 2018	HK\$0.325
Mr. Yang Yongcheng (Executive Director)	22 March 2018	1,000,000	22 March 2018	HK\$0.325

No share was awarded to any director or employee of the Company under the Share Award Scheme during the year.

As at the date of this report, the Share Award Scheme 2016 is expired. It is planned that a new Share Award Scheme using the shares currently held by the trustee of Share Award Scheme 2016 as the pool of shares to be awarded will be adopted. Further announcements will be made by the Company as and when appropriate.

On 14 July 2023, a new share award scheme ("Share Award Scheme 2023") was adopted (the principal terms of which are set out in the Company's circular dated 21 June 2023), the Company is in the process of transferring the shares in the Share Award Scheme 2016 to the Share Award Scheme 2023.

There are no cancelled and lapsed share awards under the Share Award Scheme 2016 and the Share Award Scheme 2023 during the year ended 31 December 2024.

The Company has not granted any share award to any person under both Share Award Scheme 2016 and Share Award 2023 during the year ended 31 December 2024.

The number of Awards Shares available for grant under Scheme mandate of the Share Award Scheme 2023 as at the end of reporting period was 44,046,605 Award Shares (assuming no other Scheme options and awards are granted), representing approximately 7.55% of the Company's total number of issued Shares as at the date of this report.

As there were no share awards granted under the Share Award Scheme 2023 during the year ended 31 December 2024, prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024 and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Remuneration Committee has not reviewed and approved any material matters relating to the Share Award Scheme 2023.

A summary of the Principal terms of the Share Award Scheme 2023 are as follows:

Purpose

The purpose of the Share Award Scheme 2023 is to recognise the contribution or future contribution of eligible participants for their contribution to the Group, and provide the eligible participants with an opportunity to obtain a proprietary interest in the Company, to provide incentives to the eligible participants to continue contributing to the Company, and enable the Company to attract, recruit, and motivate high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Company.

Who may join

Eligible participants ("Eligible Participants") under the Share Award Scheme 2023 include (i) employee participants, the director(s) and employee(s) (whether full-time or part-time but excludes a former employee of the Group unless such former employee otherwise qualifies as an Eligible Participant) of any member of the Group (including persons who are granted award under the Share Award Scheme 2023 as inducement to enter into employment contracts with any member of the Group) (the "Employee Participants"); and (ii) related entity participants, directors and employees (whether full time or part time but excludes any former employee unless such former employee otherwise qualifies as an Eligible Participant) of the holding companies, fellow subsidiaries or associated companies of the Company ("Related Entity Participants").

Maximum entitlement of each participants

No Awards may be granted to any person such that the total number of Shares issued and to be issued upon Awards and other scheme options and awards granted and to be granted to that person in any 12-month period exceeds 1% of any relevant class of the Company's issued share capital from time to time (the "1% Individual Limit"). Any further grant of Awards in excess of the 1% Individual Limit is subject to Shareholders' approval in a general meeting with such grantee and his/her associates abstaining from voting.

Where any grant of Share Awards to a substantial Shareholder (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules), a director of Chief executive of the Company, or any of their respective associates, would result in the securities issued and to be issued upon exercise of all Awards already granted and to be granted excluding any Awards lapsed in accordance with the Scheme Rules to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the relevant class of securities in issue, such further grant of Awards is subject to Shareholders' approval in a general meeting with such grantee and his/her associates and all core connected persons (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) of the Company abstaining from voting.

Offer and grant of Share Award

Subject to the terms of the Share Award Scheme 2023, the Board shall be entitled at any time within 10 years from the adoption date of the Share Award Scheme 2023 to offer the grant of a Award to any Eligible Participant as the Board may in its absolute discretion select to subscribe at the subscription price for such number of Shares as the Board may (subject to the terms of the Share Award Scheme 2023) determine.

Offer period

An offer of the grant of an Award shall remain open for acceptance by the Eligible Participant concerned for a period of 30 days from the grant date provided that no such grant of an Award may be accepted after the expiry of the effective period of the Share Award Scheme 2023 or after the Share Award Scheme 2023 has been

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terminated. An Award shall be deemed to have been granted and accepted by the Eligible Participant and to have taken effect when the acceptance comprising acceptance of the offer of the Award duly signed by the grantee on or before the date upon which an offer of an Award must be accepted by the relevant Eligible Participant, being a date no later than 30 days after the offer date.

Vesting Period

The minimum vesting period in respect of any Awarded Shares is twelve (12) months, and the Board or the Remuneration Committee or the Committee (if authorised by the Board) shall have the authority to determine a shorter vesting period in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Scheme Rules.

Term of the Share Award Scheme

The Share Award Scheme 2023 shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years from 14 July 2023, i.e. until 13 July 2033.

As at 31 December 2024, the Share Award Scheme 2016 was expired. The remaining life of the Share Award Scheme 2023 is 8.53 years.

For details of the Share Award Scheme 2023, please refer to the circular of the Company date 21 June 2023.

SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The Company has adopted a share option scheme on 14 July 2023 (the "Share Option Scheme") which was approved by the Shareholders of the Company at the extraordinary general meeting held on 14 July 2023.

No share options ("Share Options") were granted, exercised or lapsed under the Share Option Scheme up to 31 December 2024. The number of Share Options available for grant under scheme mandate of the Share Option Scheme as at the end of the reporting period was 44,046,605 Share Options (assuming no other scheme options and awards are granter) representing approximately 7.55% of the Company's total number of issued Shares as at the date of this report. As at 31 December 2024, the Group did not have any outstanding Share Options granted under the Share Option Scheme.

As there were no share options granted under the Share Option Scheme during the year ended 31 December 2024, prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024 and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Remuneration Committee has not reviewed and approved any material matters relating to the Share Option Scheme.

A Summary of principal terms of the Share Option Scheme 2023 are as follows:

Purpose

The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to recognise the contribution or future contribution of the directors and full-time or part-time employees or any members of the Group ("Eligible Participants") for their contribution to the Group, and provide the Eligible Participants with an opportunity to obtain a proprietary interest in the Company, to provide incentives to the Eligible Participants to continue contributing to the Company, and enable the Company to attract, recruit, and motivate high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Company.

Who may join

Eligible participants ("Eligible Participants") under the Share Option Scheme include (i) employee participants, the director(s) and employee(s) (whether full-time or part-time but excludes a former employee of the Group unless such former employee otherwise qualifies as an Eligible Participant) of any member of the Group (including persons who are granted award under the Share Option Scheme as inducement to enter into employment contracts with any member of the Group) (the "Employee Participants"); and (ii) related entity participants, directors and employees (whether full time or part time but excludes any former employee unless such former employee otherwise qualifies as an Eligible Participant) of the holding companies, fellow subsidiaries or associated companies of the Company ("Related Entity Participants").

Maximum entitlement of each participants

No share options may be granted to any person such that the total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of Share Options and other scheme options and awards granted and to be granted to that person in any 12-month period exceeds 1% of any relevant class of the Company's issued share capital from time to time (the "1% Individual Limit"). Any further grant of share options in excess of the 1% Individual Limit is subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting with such grantee and his/her associates abstaining from voting.

Where any grant of share options to a substantial shareholder (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or any of their respective associates, would result in the securities issued and to be issued upon exercise of all share options already granted and to be granted (excluding Share Options lapsed in accordance with the scheme rules) to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the relevant class of securities in issue, such further grant of Share Options is subject to Shareholders' approval in a general meeting with such grantee and his/her associates and all core connected persons (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) of the Company abstaining from voting.

Offer and grant of Share Options

Subject to the terms of the Share Option Scheme, the Board shall be entitled at any time within 10 years from the adoption date of the Share Option Scheme to offer the grant of a share option to any Eligible Participant as the Board may in its absolute discretion select to subscribe at the subscription price for such number of shares as the Board may (subject to the terms of the Share Option Scheme) determine.

Offer Period

An offer of the grant of an Share Option shall remain open for acceptance by the Eligible Participant concerned for a period of 30 days from the grant date provided that no such grant of a share option may be accepted after the expiry of the effective period of the Share Option Scheme or after the Share Option Scheme has been terminated. A share option shall be deemed to have been granted and accepted by the Eligible Participant and to have taken effect when the acceptance comprising acceptance of the offer of the share option duly signed by the grantee on or before the date upon which an offer of a share option must be accepted by the relevant Eligible Participant, being a date no later than 30 days after the offer date.

Vesting Period

The exercise of any share option may be subject to a vesting period to be determined by the Board in its absolute discretion. In any event, the vesting period for a share option under the Share Option Scheme shall not be less than 12 months, except that the share options granted to Eligible Participants may be less than 12 months under the following specific circumstances.

- (a) grants of make-whole share options to Eligible participants who newly joined the Group to replace the share options or awards they forfeited when leaving the previous employer;
- (b) grants of share options with specific and objective performance-based vesting conditions provided in the rules of the Share Option Scheme;
- (c) grants that are made in batches during a year for administrative or compliance reasons (which may include share options that should have been granted earlier but had to wait for a subsequent batch. In such cases, the vesting periods may be shorter to reflect the time from which a share option would have been granted);
- (d) grants of share options with a mixed or accelerated vesting schedule such as where the share option may vest evenly over a period of twelve (12) months; and
- (e) grants of share options with a total vesting and holding period of more than twelve (12) months.

Exercise Price

The exercise price shall be a price determined by the Board and notified to a Eligible participant and shall be at least the higher of:

- (a) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the grant date, which must be a business day; and
- (b) the average closing price of the Shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the five(5) business days immediately preceding the grant date.

Term of the Share Option Scheme

The Share Option Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years from 14 July 2023, i.e. until 13 July 2033. As at 31 December 2024, the remaining life of the Share Option Scheme is 8.53 years.

For details of the Share Option Scheme, please refer to the Company's circular dated 21 June 2023.

DIRECTORS

The Directors during the year 2024 were:

Executive Directors: Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph (*Chairman*) Mr. Yang Yongcheng (*Compliance Officer*)

Independent Non-Executive Directors:

Mr. Liew Swee Yean *(resigned on 20 December 2024)* Dr. Wong Yun Kuen *(resigned on 27 September 2024)* Mr. Wu Zheng *(resigned on 20 December 2024)*

According to Article 87 of the articles of association of the Company (the "Articles"), one-third of the directors for the time being (or, if the number of directors is not three (3) or a multiple of three (3), the number nearest to but not less than one-third), shall retire at each annual general meeting of the Company ("AGM") by rotation, provided that every director shall be subject to retirement by rotation at least once every three (3) years. The retiring directors shall then be eligible for re-election at the AGM.

In accordance with Article 87 of the Articles, Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph will retire from offices by rotation at the forthcoming AGM, and being eligible, offer himself for re-election at the forthcoming AGM.

DIRECTORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the year ended 31 December 2024, none of the directors has a service contract with the Company which is not determinable within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

Details of the directors' emoluments are set out in note 15 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

It is proposed that the Board be authorised to fix the directors' remuneration at the forthcoming AGM. Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024 and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, The remuneration, including any bonus payments, housing allowance and share award, to be paid to the directors, are recommended by the remuneration committee of the Board ("Remuneration Committee") with reference to the directors' duties, responsibilities and performance and the results of the Group. As at the date of this report, the Board consists of only two members, shall there be no additional directors joining the Board, each of the director will not be involved in determining his own remuneration.

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN CONTRACTS, TRANSACTIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS

There were no transactions, arrangements or contracts of significance in relation to the Group's business to which the Company, its subsidiaries or its holding company was a party and in which a director or an entity connected with him had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisting as at the end of the year or at any time during the year 2024 under review.

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN THE SHARES OF THE COMPANY

The interest of the directors in the Shares of the Company were as follow:

Name of Directors	Capacity	Number of shares as at 31 December 2024	Approximate percentage of the total issued Shares as at 31 December 2024
Chan Nap Kee, Joseph	Beneficial owner	167,263,298 (Note 1)	28.67%
Yang Yongcheng	Beneficial owner	1,675,000 (Note 2)	0.29%
Chen Chun Long	Beneficial owner	6,147,000 <i>(Note 3)</i>	1.05%
Ching Ho Tung, Philip	Beneficial owner	220,000 <i>(Note 3)</i>	0.04%

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2024, none of the directors or chief executive of the Company had any interest or short position in any Shares, underlying Shares and debentures of the Company or any of its associated corporations (as defined in Part XV of the Ordinance) which is required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO (including interests and short positions which they were taken or deemed to have under such provisions of the SFO), or any interests required to be notified to the Company and the register maintained in accordance with Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise required to be notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to Rules 5.46 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules relating to securities transactions by directors.

Notes:

1. After allotment of rights shares on 16 January 2017 and share consolidation of 10 shares into 1 share became effective on 16 February 2017, the total number of shares beneficially owned by Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph ("Mr. Chan") was 159,132,298. Of these, 2,004,000 shares were shares awarded to Mr. Chan as Director on 30 December 2015 under the Share Award Scheme adopted since 10 May 2013. In addition, 2,750,000 shares were purchased by Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph on the market from 29 March to 31 December 2017. Hence total number of shares owned by Mr. Chan was 161,882,298 as at 31 December 2017.

On 22 March 2018, 3,081,000 shares were shares awarded to Mr. Chan as Director under the Share Award Scheme 2016. Hence, the total no. of shares owned by Mr. Chan was 164,963,298. In addition, 1,490,000 shares were purchased by Mr. Chan on the market from 29 June 2018 to 31 December 2018. Hence the total number of shares owned by Mr. Chan was 166,453,298 as at 31 December 2018.

During the year ended 31 December 2019, 810,000 shares were purchased by Mr. Chan on the market. Hence the total number of shares owned by Mr. Chan was 167,263,298 as at 31 December 2024.

- 2. Of these, 400,000 shares were shares awarded to Mr. Yang Yongcheng ("Mr. Yang") as Director on 30 December 2015 under the Share Award Scheme 2013. On 22 March 2018, 1,000,000 shares were shares awarded to Mr. Yang as Director under the Share Award Scheme 2016. In addition, 60,000 shares were purchased by Mr. Yang on the market from 12 November 2018 to 31 December 2018.
- 3. These were shares held by Mr. Chen Chun Long and Mr. Ching Ho Tung as at 19 June 2019 when they were appointed as joint Chief Executive Officers of the Company.

INTEREST OF SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS IN SHARES OF THE COMPANY

As at 31 December 2024, so far as is known to the Directors of the Company, the persons who had an interest in the 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 were as follows:

Long positions in shares and underlying shares:

Name of Shareholders	Capacity and nature of interest	Number of shares as at 31 December 2024	Approximate percentage of the total issued shares as at 31 December 2024
Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph	Beneficial Owner	167,263,298	28.67%
Ms. Yeung Po Yee, Bonita	Interest of spouse <i>(Note 1)</i>	167,263,298	28.67%
Mr. Zhang Xiongfeng	Beneficial Owner	81,950,000	14.05%
Ms. Wu Mingqin	Interest of spouse <i>(Note 2)</i>	81,950,000	14.05%

Notes:

1. These were total number of Shares that Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph ("Mr. Chan") beneficially owned. As the spouse of Mr. Chan, Ms. Yeung Po Yee, Bonita, was taken to be interested in the Shares in which Mr. Chan was interested by virtue of the SFO.

2. These were total number of Shares that Mr. Zhang Xiongfeng ("Mr. Zhang") beneficially owned. As the spouse of Mr. Zhang, Ms. Wu Mingqin, was taken to be interested in the Shares in which Mr. Zhang was interested by virtue of the SFO.

Save as disclosed above, the Directors were not aware of any other person (other than the directors and the chief executives of the Company) who, as at 31 December 2024, had, or was deemed to have, interests or short positions in the Shares or underlying Shares, which would fall to be disclosed to the Company and the Stock Exchange under provisions of Divisions 2 & 3 of Part XV of the SFO.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the year 2024 under review.

MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The percentages of cost of sales and sales for the year 2024 attributable to the Group's major suppliers and customers are as follows:

Cost of sales	
— the largest supplier	56%
— five largest suppliers combined	85%
Sales	
— the largest customer	16%
— five largest customers combined	57%

None of the Directors, their associates or any shareholder (which to the knowledge of the Directors owns more than 5% of the Company's share capital) had an interest in the major suppliers or customers mentioned above.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The Company has complied with most of the code provisions as set out in the Code of Corporate Governance Practices contained in Appendix 15 to the GEM Listing Rules during the year ended 31 December 2024. Details of compliance and deviation are set out in the Corporate Governance Report on pages 43 to 68.

DIRECTORS' INTEREST IN COMPETING BUSINESS

None of the directors or their respective associates (as defined in GEM Listing Rules) had any interests in any business which compete or may compete with the Group or any other conflicts of interest with the Group.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS AND CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

Details of the significant related party transactions entered into by the Group during the year ended 31 December 2024 are set out in Note 44 to the financial statements. To the best knowledge of the Directors, none of these related party transactions constituted connected transactions that need to be disclosed under GEM Listing Rules.

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There is no provision for pre-emptive rights under the Articles and there are no restrictions against such rights under the laws in the Cayman Islands.

SUBSIDIARIES

Particulars of the Company's subsidiaries are set out in note 38 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

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 latest practicable date prior to the issue of this annual report, the Company has maintained a sufficient public float in accordance with the GEM Listing Rules.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

There were no significant events after the year ended 31 December 2024 and up to the date of this report.

AUDITOR

At the Company's last Annual General Meeting, RSM Hong Kong was re-appointed as auditor of the Company.

RSM Hong Kong retires, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment. A resolution for re-appointment of RSM Hong Kong will be put at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

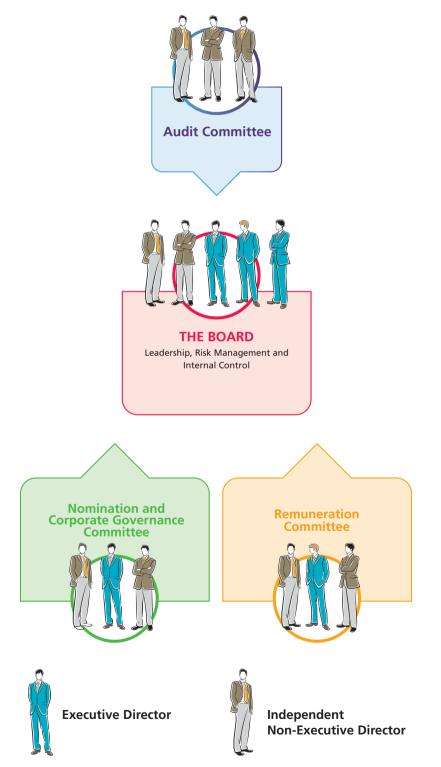
For and on behalf of the Board

Chan Nap Kee, Joseph *Chairman*

Hong Kong, 31 March 2025

OUR GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, Kaisun operated with a clear and effective governance structure as follows:



THE BOARD



Audit Committee

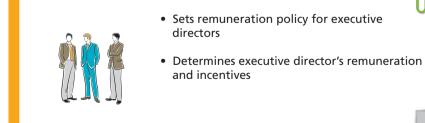


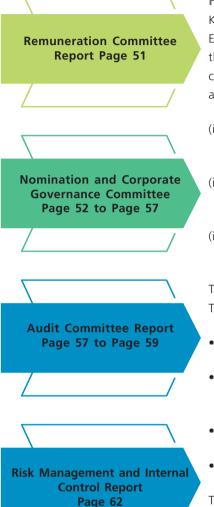
- Oversees financial reporting process
- Reviews internal control and risk management system

Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee



Remuneration Committee





Further information

Kaisun's governance framework serves as a guide for the Board, Joint Chief Executive Officers and management in the performance and fulfillment of their respective obligations to Kaisun and its stakeholders. The key components of Kaisun's governance framework, including guidelines, policies and procedures ensures

- (i) the existence of a capable and qualified Board with diverse backgrounds and skills;
- (ii) the establishment of appropriate roles for the Board and various committees; and
- (iii) a collaborative and constructive relationship between the Board, Joint Chief Executive Officers and the management.

The following constitutes key components of Kaisun's governance framework. They are posted on the Company's website: www.kaisun.hk

- List of Director and their Role and Function
- Terms of References of the various corporate governance related Board Committees
- Articles of Association
- Memorandum of Association.

The Board also regularly assesses and enhances its governance framework, practices and principles in light of regulatory regimes as well as Company needs.

Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary deficiency in this critical governance function.

The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to fill the vacancies of independent non-executive directors and ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

Appointment of Joint chief executive officers (CEOs)

As part of the Group's long term management succession plan which promote our professional and younger members of the Company that facilitates better business development of the Company, and to implement the aspect of good corporate governance of the Company where the role Chairman and Chief Executive Officer should be separated and should not be performed by the same individual, Mr. Chen Chun Long and Mr. Ching Ho Tung, Philip were appointed as joint Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of the Company with effect from 19 June 2019. The Company is better prepared for future strategic growth of the Group with above changes.

Following the appointment of above joint Chief Executive Officers, Mr. Joseph Chan Nap Kee relinquished as Chief Executive Officer, and remains as Chairman and Executive Director of the Company.

For details on appointment of Joint CEOs, please refer to the Company's announcement dated 18 June 2019.

Role and Function of the Board

Being collectively responsible for long-term success of the Group, the Board provides leadership and direction for the business of the Group and establishes a risk management and internal control system for proper management of the Group. The daily operational matters of the Group are delegated by the Board to Joint Chief Executive Officers and the management.

Independent Non-Executive Directors with a diverse background

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Board is structured to ensure it is of a high caliber and has a balance of skills, experience and diversity of perspectives desirable for effective leadership of the Group. Following their departures, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary deficiency in this critical governance function. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to fill the vacancies of independent non-executive directors and ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, three Independent Non-executive Directors drawn from diverse and complementary backgrounds spanning mining, accounting and corporate finance. They bring valuable experience and insight in the following areas of experience and expertise, driving the corporate strategy and growth of the Group:



Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function.

The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

HOW THE BOARD, JOINT CEOS AND MANAGEMENT WORKS TOGETHER

Through respecting each other's role, the Board, Joint CEOs and management are supportive of the development and maintenance of a healthy corporate governance culture.

For the day-to-day operation of the business, the Board relies on Joint CEOs and management. The Board monitors what Joint CEOs and management are doing. In terms of strategy formulation, the Board works closely with Joint CEOs and management in thinking through the Group's direction and long-term plans, as well as the various opportunities and risks associated therewith and that are facing the Group generally.

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, with wide range of experiences, specific expertise, and fresh objective perspectives, the Independent Non-Executive Directors provide independent challenge and review. As members of the various Board committees, they also undertake governance work with a particular focus as noted under the respective terms of reference of the various Board committees. Following their departures, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

PURPOSE, VALUES AND STRATEGY

The Company has the purpose of excelling its two business units, namely Kaisun Energy Group and Kaisun Business Solutions. The Company strategically expands its business in Mainland China and hopefully along Belt and Road countries. The core value of the Company is to provide the best products and services to its customers and to enhancing shareholder value.

To achieve the above, the Board promotes a dedicated culture in the Group's daily operations, and cultivated a competent and committed team.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Composition of the Board

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Board comprised five directors, including two executive directors, namely Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph and Mr. Yang Yongcheng and three independent non-executive directors, namely Mr. Liew Swee Yean, Dr. Wong Yun Kuen and Mr. Wu Zheng. Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph is the Chairman of the Board. Mr. Yang Yongcheng is the Compliance Officer.

One of the independent non-executive directors has appropriate professional qualification, or accounting qualifications and related financial management expertise.

Each of the independent non-executive directors has entered into a service contract with the Company for a term of one year, which may be extended for such period as agreed in writing between the director concerned and the Company.

There is no financial, business, family or other material or relevant relationship among the directors.

Following their departures, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

Independent Non-Executive Directors

Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

Chairman and Joint Chief Executive Officers

As part of the Group's long term management succession plan which promote our professional and young members of the Company that facilitates better business development of the Company, and to implement the aspect of good corporate governance of the Company where the role of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer should be separated and should not be performed by the same individual. Hence, Mr. Chen Chun Long and Mr. Ching Ho Tung, Philip were appointed as joint Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of the Company with effect from 19 June 2019. The Company is better prepared for future strategic growth of the Group with above changes. Following the appointment of above joint Chief Executive Officers, Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph relinquished as Chief Executive Officer, and remains as Chairman and Executive Director of the Company.

For details on appointment of Joint CEOs, please refer to the Company's announcement dated 18 June 2019.

Board Meetings

4 Board meetings were held during the year ended 31 December 2024. The Board meetings involved the active participation of the directors either in person or by telephone or through other electronic means of communication.

Attendance of each of the directors at Board meetings during the year ended 31 December 2024 is set out as follows:

Number of Board Meetings	4	
Executive Directors:		
Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph <i>(Chairman)</i>	4/4	100%
Mr. Yang Yongcheng	4/4	100%
Independent Non-Executive Directors:		
Mr. Liew Swee Yean (resigned on 20 December 2024)*	3/3	100%
Dr. Wong Yun Kuen (resigned on 27 September 2024)*	2/2	100%
Mr. Wu Zheng (resigned on 20 December 2024)*	3/3	100%
Average attendance rate	100%	1

* Only the meeting during his tenure is counted

Annual General Meeting

All Directors attended the Annual General Meeting held on 28 June 2024.

Company Secretary

All Directors have access to the advice and services from the Company Secretary, Mr. Pang Yick Him confirmed that he has taken no less than 15 hours of the relevant professional training for the year ended 31 December 2024 in compliance with Rule 5.15 of the GEM Listing Rules.

BOARD COMMITTEES

The Board has established the following three committees with written terms of reference (available on the Company's corporate website www.kaisun.hk under "Investor Relations" section with heading of "Corporate Governance), which are in line with the Corporate Governance ("CG Code"):

- Remuneration Committee
- Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee
- Audit Committee

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, all the committees comprise a majority of Independent Non-executive Directors. All Committees are chaired by Independent Non-executive Directors. Following their departures, there are no members and chairman on the Audit Committee, no chairman on the Remuneration Committee, and no chairman on the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee.

REMUNERATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Composition of the Remuneration Committee

Committee Chairman	Dr. Wong Yun Kuen* (resigned on 27 September 2024)
Members	Mr. Wu Zheng* <i>(resigned on 20 December 2024)</i> Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph [◆]

- * Independent Non-executive Director
- Executive Director

Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, there are no chairman on the Remuneration Committee.

Role and Function of the Remuneration Committee

The primary duties of the Remuneration Committee is to determine, with delegated responsibility, the remuneration packages of individual executive directors and senior management.

Remuneration Policy

The formulation of the Group's remuneration strategy and policy is based on the principles of equity and market competitiveness so as to drive staff to work towards the mission of the Group and to retain talents. As a long-term incentive plan and with the aim at motivating directors and employees in the continued pursuit of the Company's goal and objectives, the Company may award Company's shares purchased or shares allotted and issued by the Company to the directors/employees of the Company as award.

Remuneration Committee Meetings

The Remuneration Committee held one meetings during the year ended 31 December 2024. During the meeting, the Remuneration Committee had reviewed and approved, if any, the increment in salary, bonus payment and share award for the executive directors and the senior management by way of resolutions passed by all committee members. However, the executive directors did not participate in determining their own remuneration.

Attendance of each of the directors at the Remuneration Committee meetings for the year ended 31 December 2024 is set out as follows:

Number of Remuneration Committee Meetings	1	I
Dr. Wong Yun Kuen <i>(Committee Chairman)</i>		
(resigned on 27 September 2024)*	1/1	100%
Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph	1/1	100%
Mr. Wu Zheng (resigned on 20 December 2024)*	1/1	100%
Average attendance rate	100)%

* Only the meeting during his tenure is counted

NOMINATION AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Composition of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee ("NC")

Committee Chairman	Mr. Wu Zheng* (resigned on 20 December 2024)
Members	Mr. Liew Swee Yean* <i>(resigned on 20 December 2024)</i> Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph [◆]

* Independent Non-executive Director

Executive Director

Following Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, there are no chairman on the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee.

Role and Function of NC

The primary duties of the NC is to make recommendations to the Board on appointment or reappointment of Directors, and to develop and review Group's policies and practices on corporate governance and to make recommendations to the Board.

NOMINATION POLICY

The Board adopted a nomination policy that the Nomination Committee will evaluate, select and recommend candidate(s) for directorship(s) to the Board by giving due consideration to the criteria, including but not limited to Board diversity, qualifications, experience, independence, reputation for integrity and potential contributions that the individual(s) can bring to the Board before making recommendation to the Board. The Nomination Committee may consult any source it deems appropriate in identifying or selecting suitable candidates, such as referrals from existing Directors, advertising, recommendations from a third party agency firm, and may evaluate the suitability of the candidate(s) by interviews, background checks etc.

BOARD DIVERSITY

The Company recognises and embraces the benefits of having a diverse Board. A Board Diversity Policy has been adopted by the Board. In reviewing Board composition, NC will consider the benefits of all aspects of diversity including, but not limited to, skills, regional and industry experience, background, race, age, culture and gender, so as to maintain an appropriate range and balance of skills, experience and background on the Board. An analysis of the Board's current composition is set out in the accompanying charts.

In identifying suitable candidates, the Nomination Committee will consider candidates on merit against objective criteria and with due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board.

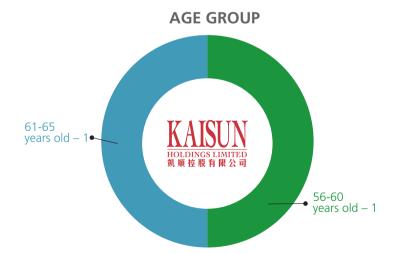




Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Nomination Committee considers the Board not to be diverse in respect of the aforesaid evaluation criteria and the current Board consists of members with single gender. The NC will continue to ensure that diversity is taken into consideration when assessing Board composition.

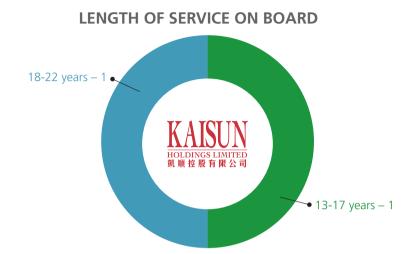
Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Board comprises five Directors. Three of the Directors are independent non-executive Directors and independent of management, thereby promoting critical review and control of the management process. Although the Board currently consists of male members only, the Company appreciates the importance of gender diversity and believes that gender diversity will be a representing manifestation of Board diversity among all other measurable objectives. The Board targets to appoint at least one female members by the end of May 2025 to achieve gender diversity at Board level. The nomination policy of the Company can then ensure that there will be a pipeline of potential successors to the Board which continues the gender diversity in the Board. For more details on the challenges of filling the vacancies of independent non-executive directors, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

As at 31 December 2024, the gender ratio of the Group's workforce was approximately 69% male to 31% female due to coal mining industry traditionally has less female participants. The Company's hiring is meritbased and non-discriminatory. The Board is satisfied that the Company has achieved gender diversity in its workforce.





With regard to the Directors' skills, regional and industry experience as well as background, please refer to their biographical details set out in the Biography of Directors and Senior Management section on page 28.



The Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee also responsible for overseeing the corporate governance functions, which include, but are not limited to:

- developing and reviewing the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance;
- reviewing and monitoring the training and continuous professional development of the Directors and senior management;
- reviewing and monitoring the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements;
- developing, reviewing and monitoring the code of conduct and compliance manual (if any) applicable to employees and the Directors; and
- reviewing the Company's compliance with the CG Code and disclosure in the Corporate Governance Report.

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee has reviewed and performed the above corporate governance functions.

Attendance of each of the directors at the Nomination and Corporate Governance meetings for the year ended 31 December 2024 is set out as follows:

Number of Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee Meeting		1
Mr. Wu Zheng (Committee Chairman) (resigned on 20 December 2024)*	1/1	100%
Mr. Liew Swee Yean (resigned on 20 December 2024)*	1/1	100%
Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph	1/1	100%
Average attendance rate	10	0%

* Only the meeting during his tenure is counted

MECHANISM REGARDING INDEPENDENT VIEWS TO THE BOARD

The Board has implemented different ways to ensure independent views and input are available to the Board. The implementation and effectiveness of such mechanism was reviewed on an annual basis. The Board considers that such mechanism has been implemented properly and effectively.

The mechanism is disclosed below:

(i) Composition

The Board ensures the appointment of at least three independent non-executive Directors and at least one-third of its members being independent non-executive Directors (or such higher threshold as may be required by the Listing Rules from time to time), with at least one independent non-executive Director possessing appropriate professional qualifications, or accounting or related financial management expertise. Further, independent non-executive Directors will be appointed to Board Committees as required under the GEM Listing Rules and as far as practicable to ensure independent views are available.

(ii) Independence Assessment

The Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee strictly adheres to the nomination policy with regard to the nomination and appointment of independent non-executive Directors, and is mandated to assess annually the independence of independent non-executive Directors to ensure that they can continually exercise independent judgement.

(iii) Board Decision Making

The Directors (including independent non-executive Directors), upon reasonable request, may seek independent professional advice at the Company's expense, to assist the performance of their duties.

If a substantial shareholder or a Director has a conflict of interest in a matter to be considered by the Board which the Board has determined to be material, the matter would be dealt with by a physical Board meeting rather than a written resolution.

A Director who has a material interest in a contract, transaction or arrangement shall not vote or be counted in the quorum on any Board resolution approving the same.

(iv) Board Evaluation

The Board assesses and reviews the time contributed by every independent non-executive Director and their attendance to meetings of the Board and the board committees so as to ensure that every independent non-executive Director has devoted sufficient time to the Board to discharge his/her responsibilities as a Director of the Company.

Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function.

AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

For the year ended 31 December 2024, the fee paid or payable to external auditors in respect of audit services amounted to HK\$2.9 million. No fee was paid or payable to external auditors in respect of non-audit services during the year.

PREPARATION OF ACCOUNTS

The Directors are responsible for overseeing the preparation of the annual accounts which give a true and fair view of the Group's state of affairs, results and cash flows for the year 2024 under review. In preparing the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024, the directors have approved adoption of all the applicable standards and interpretations of International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs").

The interim and annual results of the Company are announced in a timely manner after the end of the relevant periods.

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Composition of the Audit Committee ("AC")

Committee Chairman	Mr. Liew Swee Yean* (resigned on 20 December 2024)
Members	Dr. Wong Yun Kuen* (resigned on 27 September 2024)
	Mr. Wu Zheng* <i>(resigned on 20 December 2024)</i>

* Independent Non-executive Director

Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, there are no members and chairman on the Audit Committee.

Role and Function of the AC

The primary duties of the AC are to review and supervise the financial reporting process and internal control system (including environmental, social and governance ("ESG") risks) of the Group and build an important bridge between the Board and the Company's auditors on those matters within the scope of the Group's audit. It also reviews the effectiveness of the external and internal audit and conducts risk evaluation.

The AC is provided with sufficient resources to discharge its responsibilities and is supported by the Finance Department of the Company. The AC is accountable to the Board.

Audit Committee Meetings

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the AC had held 2 meetings to review and supervise the financial reporting process and the AC had reviewed the interim and annual results, internal controls and risk management systems. The AC was of the opinion that the preparation of such results complied with the applicable accounting standards and requirements and that adequate disclosures have been made. The AC also carried out and discharged its other duties as set out in the CG Code.

Attendance of each of the independent non-executive directors at the AC meetings during the year ended 31 December 2024 was set out as follows:

Number of Audit Committee Meetings 2	
Mr. Liew Swee Yean (Committee Chairman) (resigned on 20 December	
2024)* 2/2	100%
Dr. Wong Yun Kuen <i>(resigned on 27 September 2024)*</i> 2/2	100%
Mr. Wu Zheng <i>(resigned on 20 December 2024)*</i> 2/2	100%
Average attendance rate 100%	

* Only the meeting during his tenure is counted

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the AC had undertaken the following duties:

- made recommendations to the Board on the appointment, reappointment or removal of the external auditors (the "Auditors") and approved the audit fees and terms of engagement of the Auditors, or any questions of resignation or dismissal of the Auditors;
- (ii) reviewed the interim and annual financial statements prior to recommending them to the Board for approval;
- (iii) reviewed the Auditors' management letter and the management's response thereto, and to ensure that recommendations made by the Auditors are carried out;
- (iv) reviewed the operation and effectiveness of the Company's financial control, internal control and risk management systems;
- (v) reviewed the appropriateness of reporting and accounting policies and disclosure practices; and
- (vi) reviewed the work of the Internal Audit Department, ensuring coordination between the Internal Audit Department and the Auditors, and reviewing and monitoring the effectiveness of the internal audit function.

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Board, through the AC, reviewed the effectiveness of the Group's system of internal control over financial, operational and compliance issues, broad-based risk management processes, and physical and information systems security. To formalize the annual review of internal control system, the AC made reference to the globally recognised framework with modifications to include some controls which are specific to the Group's operation. The AC concluded that, in general, the Group has set up a sound control environment and installed necessary control mechanisms to monitor and correct non-compliance.

Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, there is no Audit Committee as at the date of this report, the annual results and the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2024 are reviewed by the Board of Directors.

CONSTITUTIONAL DOCUMENTS

A special resolution has been passed at the annual general meeting of the Company held on 30 June 2023 to adopt the Articles of Association in order to comply with the GEM Listing Rules.

Pursuant to Rule 17.102 of the GEM Listing Rules, the Company has published the Articles of Association on the respective websites of the Stock Exchange and the Company.

CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

Based on principles of transparency and independence, the Board of Directors and management are committed to principles of good corporate governance consistent with enhancement of shareholder value.

The Company has complied with the Code Provisions of the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix C1 of the GEM Listing Rules (the "CG Code") throughout the year ended 31 December 2024 except the following deviation.

Dr. Wong Yun Kuen ("Dr. Wong") resigned as an independent non-executive director, a member of the audit committee (the "Audit Committee") of the Company and the chairman of remuneration committee (the "Remuneration Committee") of the Company with effect from 27 September 2024 due to his health issue. Mr. Liew Swee Yean ("Mr. Liew") resigned as an independent non-executive Director, the chairman of the Audit Committee and a member of each of the Remuneration Committee and nomination and corporate governance committee (the "Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee") of the Company and Mr. Wu Zheng ("Mr. Wu") resigned as an independent non-executive Director, the Remuneration Committee, the chairman of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee, and a member of the Audit Committee with effect from 20 December 2024, due to their concerns over the operation viability of the Group after the imposition of the Prejudice to Investors' Interests Statement on the only two executive directors of the Company by the Stock Exchange on 10 December 2024.

Immediately after their resignations and as at the date of this report,

(1) there are no independent non-executive Directors on the Board which falls below the minimum number as required under Rule 5.05(1) of the GEM Listing Rules;

- (2) there are no independent non-executive Directors on the Board which representing less than one-third of the Board as required under Rule 5.05A of the GEM Listing Rules;
- (3) there are no independent non-executive Directors have appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise as required under Rule 5.05(2) and 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules and terms of reference of the Audit Committee;
- (4) there are no members and chairman on the Audit Committee which does not fulfil the requirements of establishing an audit committee that (i) comprising non-executive directors only; (ii) comprising a minimum of three members; (iii) comprising a majority of independent non-executive directors; and (iv) chaired by an independent non-executive director as required under Rule 5.28 of the GEM Listing Rules and the terms of reference of the Audit Committee;
- (5) there are no chairman and the only member is the executive director on the Remuneration Committee which does not fulfil the requirements of establishing a remuneration committee that (i) comprising a minimum of three members; (ii) comprising a majority of independent non-executive directors; and (iii) chaired by an independent non-executive director as required under Rule 5.34 of the GEM Listing Rules and the terms of reference of the Remuneration Committee; and
- (6) there are no chairman and the only member is the executive director on the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee which does not fulfil the requirements of establishing a nomination committee that (i) comprising a minimum of three members; (ii) comprising a majority of independent non-executive directors; and (iii) chaired by an independent non-executive director as required under Rule 5.36A of the GEM Listing Rules and the terms of reference of the Nomination and Corporate Governance Committee.

Besides, reference is made to the announcement of the Company dated 31 December 2024 and 6 February 2025, as of the date of this report, the Company is unable to comply with the board diversity requirement under Rule 17.104 of the GEM Listing Rules, which prohibits a single-gender board. According to Rule 17.104 of the GEM Listing Rules, listed issuers with single-gender boards are required to appoint at least one director of a different gender by 31 December 2024. The Stock Exchange has explicitly stated that a single-gender board will not meet the diversity requirements under this Rule. Failure to appoint a director of a different gender by the specified deadline will breach Rule 17.104 of the GEM Listing Rules.

The Board is fully committed to complying with Rule 17.104 of the GEM Listing Rules and recognises the importance of gender diversity on the board. The Board has made significant efforts to identify a suitable female candidate, demonstrating our dedication to diversity. Despite extensive efforts over the past years to identify a suitable candidate for the female director role, the Company has faced the following challenges in making an appointment.

Despite the Company's best efforts to recruit a female director internally, and accepted applications of female candidates via public job advertisements as mentioned in previous announcements, the challenges we face remain unresolved. Although the Company continuously tried to recruit female director through public job advertisements, no more resumes has been received by the Company since the publication of the last supplemental announcements dated 6 February 2025. As for internal recruitment, the Company continued to discuss with several female employees on their feasibility of being a director of the Company, however, all of them still expressed concerns over the complexity of the operation and financial difficulties of the Group and hence rejected the invitation to join the Board. The difficulties in identifying suitable candidates with the necessary knowledge and experience in the coal mine industry, coupled with the imposition of the Prejudice to Investors' Interests Statement on the only two executive directors by the Stock Exchange on 10 December 2024, have made the recruitment process extremely difficult. As a result, the Company has still not appointed a suitable female director.

The Company and the remaining board members which are supposed to be on their way out are still working to fulfill Rules 5.05(1), 5.05(2), 5.05A, 5.28, 5.34, 5.36A and 17.104 of the GEM Listing Rules. The reason of not able to replace board members executives and independent non-executives as well as to enable a diversity of board representation is due to the uncertainty of not having a permanent executive board at this juncture in the case of independent non-executive directors, men and women. And the taking up of legacy of managing a highly specialized business as in coal mining in a rather remote vicinity in Xinjiang in the case of executive directors.

As a result, the Company requires additional time to identify and appoint a female candidate to the Board. The selected individual is expected to serve as an Independent Non-Executive Director, a role that is integral to the Board's decision-making process. This role is crucial as it brings a unique perspective and expertise to the Board, enhancing our corporate governance. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit a female director via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group.

The Company will continue to seek and collect candidates resumes by the end of April, followed by background checks and interviews in May, with the appointment to be completed by the end of May to ensure the Company's compliance with Rules 5.05(1), 5.05(2), 5.05A, 5.28, 5.34, 5.36A and 17.104 of the GEM Listing Rules.

While the existing Board consider that they are acting on an interim basis to sit on the Board to deal with audit issues and debt repayment issues both onshore in Xinjiang and Hong Kong. They are as eager as regulators to diverse the board genders of locating replacement executive Directors and independent Directors. At this current juncture, the Company wishes our stakeholders, including regulators, shareholders and employees, would understand the current difficulties we are facing and bear with us that the above administrative are our priority. We are making every effort to expedite this process as soon as possible.

Furthermore, there is no Audit Committee as at the date of this report, the annual results and the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2024 are reviewed by the board of directors.

CODE OF CONDUCT REGARDING SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS BY DIRECTORS

The Company has adopted a code of conduct regarding securities transactions by Directors of the Company on terms no less exacting than the required standard of dealings as set out in Rules 5.48 to 5.67 of the GEM Listing Rules throughout the year 2024. The Company has also made specific enquiry of all directors and the Company was not aware of any non-compliance with the required standard of dealings and its code of conduct regarding securities transactions by directors.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL REPORT

The Board has overall responsibility for the risk management and internal control systems (including ESG risks) of the Company and for reviewing their effectiveness. The risk management and internal control systems (including ESG risks) of the Company are designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Company has an Internal Audit Function, and Risk Management and Internal Control System (including ESG risks) are reviewed throughout the year 2024 and any findings in this regard will be reported to the Audit Committee. Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function. To maintain operational continuity during this transition period, matters relating to internal audit, risk management and internal controls are being reported directly to the two remaining Executive Directors for review and oversight. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

REVIEW OF RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL EFFECTIVENESS

The Board had conducted an annual review of the effectiveness of the Group's risk management and internal control systems (including ESG risks) for the year ended 31 December 2024, covering the material financial, operational and compliance controls, and considered that the Group's risk management and internal control systems (including ESG risks) are effective and adequate. Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Audit Committee had also annually reviewed the adequacy of resources, gualifications, experience and training programs of the Group's internal audit staff and accounting and financial reporting staff and because most of our accounting staff have professional gualifications with audit and financial experience as well, the Audit Committee considered that the staffing is adequate and the staffs are competent to carry out their roles and responsibilities. Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function. To maintain operational continuity during this transition period, matters relating to internal audit, risk management and internal controls are being reported directly to the two remaining Executive Directors for review and oversight. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

WHISTLE-BLOWING POLICY

The Company has put in place whistleblowing policy which applies to all the directors and employees of the Group and any parties who deal with the Group. The policy is designed to provide the employees and any external parties with confidential whistleblowing channels to report to the Group the actual or suspected illegal activities and misconducts in corporate financial reporting, internal control or other areas.

Whistle-blowers are able to contact the Board directly through the contact method provided on the Company's website. The identity of the whistle-blower and all the concerns or irregularities raised will be treated with confidence and every effort will be made to ensure that confidentiality is maintained throughout the process.

Prior to Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Audit Committee, which is responsible for oversight and monitoring of the whistle-blowing policy and mechanism, will make decisions on further actions (if needed).

The Company is also committed to ensuring the protection of the whistle-blower against detrimental or unfair treatment. Following Dr. Wong Yun Kuen's resignation on 27 September 2024, and Mr. Liew Swee Yean's and Mr. Wu Zheng's resignation on 20 December 2024, the Company currently has no serving Independent Non-Executive Directors, resulting in a temporary gap in this critical governance function. To maintain operational continuity during this transition period, matters relating to whistle-blowing are being reported directly to the two remaining Executive Directors for review and oversight. The Company will continue to make efforts to recruit directors via various means including public job advertisements, solicit internal employees as well as looking for referrals for candidates from senior management of the Group to ensure the Company's compliance with the GEM Listing Rules. For more details, please refer to the section headed "CODE ON CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES".

ANTI-CORRUPTION POLICY

The Group does not tolerate any corruption, bribery, extortion, fraud or money laundering during the course of its business activities. As such, it has formulated an anti-corruption policy (the "Anti-Corruption Policy") which prohibits all forms of corruption practice by making reference to the relevant laws and regulations. The Anti-Corruption Policy forms an integral part of the Group's corporate governance framework, which sets out the specific behavioural guidelines that the employees of the Group must follow to combat corruption. The Anti-Corruption Policy is reviewed and updated on a regular basis to align with the applicable laws and regulations as well as the industry best practices. All the employees are informed and expected to act with integrity, impartiality and honesty.

We encourage and provide directors and senior management with professional training sessions and seminars covering corporate governance, business development and strategy and anti-corruption to enrich and strengthen their professional and business knowledge.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE SHAREHOLDERS

The Board has adopted a shareholder communication policy which is subject to annual review to ensure its implementation and effectiveness. Such policy aims at ensuring shareholders can have equal and timely access to information about the Company in order to enable the Shareholders to exercise their rights in an informed manner and to allow them to engage actively with the Company.

A summary of the Company's shareholder communication policy is as follows:

Information will be communicated to the Shareholders through the Company's financial reports, circulars and announcements, AGMs and other general meetings that may be convened, as well as all the disclosures submitted to the Stock Exchange for publication.

As a channel to further promote effective communication, the Company maintains a website at as a communication platform with Shareholders, where Company's announcements and press releases, business developments and operations, financial information, corporate governance report and other information are posted.

Shareholders' meeting is one of the channels for shareholders to communicate their views on various matters affecting the Company. The Company endeavours to maintain an on-going dialogue with Shareholders and in particular, through annual general meetings and other general meetings. Shareholders may make enquiries to the Company directly by raising questions at general meetings. Board members, in particular, the chairmen of Board committees or their delegates, appropriate management executives and external auditor will use all reasonable efforts to attend annual general meetings and to answer Shareholders' questions.

Furthermore, Shareholders are given sufficient notice of Shareholders' meetings, detailed procedures for conducting a poll was stated in circular to Shareholders accompanying the notice of the annual general meeting.

In order for the Company to solicit and understand the views of Shareholders, Shareholders may make enquiries to the Company through the contact method provided by the Company's website.

The Company reviewed the implementation and effectiveness of the shareholder communication policy has been properly implemented and during the year and considered that the policy is effective.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

The general meetings of the Company provided an opportunity for communication between Shareholders and the Board. An annual general meeting of the Company shall be held in each year and at the place as may be determined by the Board. Each general meeting, other than an annual general meeting, shall be called an extraordinary general meeting ("EGM").

RIGHT TO CONVENE EGM AND PROCEDURES

Pursuant to Article 58 of the Articles of Association, the Board may, whenever it thinks fit, convene an EGM. Anyone or more member(s) holding at the date of the deposit of the requisition 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 at all times have the right, by written requisition sent to the Company's principal place of business as set out in the manner below, to require an EGM to be called by the Board for the transaction of any business specified in such requisition, and such meeting shall be held within two months after the deposit of such requisition.

Such requisition shall be made in writing to the Board or the Company Secretary at the following:

Principal place of business and headquarters in Hong Kong

Address:	Room 1304, 13/F.,
	Car Po Commercial Building,
	18–20 Lyndhurst Terrace,
	Central, Hong Kong
Email:	admin@kaisun.hk
Attention:	Company Secretary

Registered office of the Company Address[.] Cricket Square Hutchins Drive P.O. Box 2681

Attention:

Grand Cavman KY1-1111 Company Secretary

If within 21 days of such deposit, the Board fails to proceed duly to convene such EGM, the requisitionist(s) himself (themselves) may do so in the same manner, and all reasonable expenses incurred by the requisitionist(s) as a result of the failure of the Board shall be reimbursed to them by the Company.

For matters in relation to the Board, Shareholders can contact the Company at the following: by post to principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong at Room 1304, 13/F., Car Po Commercial Building, 18-20 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central, Hong Kong or by email to admin@kaisun.hk.

RIGHT TO PUT ENOUIRIES TO THE BOARD

Shareholders have the right to put enquiries to the Board. All such enquiries shall be in writing and sent by post to the principal place of business of the Company in Hong Kong for the attention of the Company Secretary. Shareholders may also make enquiries with the Board at the general meetings of the Company.

RIGHT TO PUT FORWARD PROPOSALS AT GENERAL MEETINGS

There are no provisions allowing Shareholders to propose new resolutions at the general meetings under the Companies Law (as revised) of the Cayman Islands, as amended, modified and supplemental from time to time. However, pursuant to the Articles of Association, Shareholders who wish to move a resolution may by means of requisitions convene an EGM following the procedures set out above.

INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Board recognises the importance of maintaining on-going communication with Shareholders. The Company has adopted a Shareholders' communication policy and promotes communications with Shareholders through several communication channels including publication of notices, circulars and announcements of key developments, and quarterly, interim and annual reports as prescribed under the GEM Listing Rules which can also be accessed via the "Investor Relations" of the Company's website.

The aims of the Company are to improve its transparency, gain more understanding and confidence in relation to the Group's business developments and acquire more market recognition and support from Shareholders.

Shareholders are encouraged to attend all general meetings of the Company. The notices of the extraordinary general meetings and annual general meeting of the Company were circulated to all Shareholders in accordance with the requirements of the GEM Listing Rules and the Articles of Association. It is a standard practice to have the non-executive Directors available to answer questions relating to their roles, tenure, and the committees of the Board. The results of voting by poll are published on the GEM website and the Company's website after the meetings.

Any comments and suggestions to the Board can be addressed to the Hong Kong office or the Company Secretary by mail to Room 1304, 13/F., Car Po Commercial Building, 18–20 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central, Hong Kong or email at admin@kaisun.hk.

CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR DIRECTORS, SENIOR MANAGEMENT AND STAFF

The Directors, senior management and staff are regularly briefed on the amendments to or updates on the relevant laws, rules and regulations. In addition, the Company has been encouraging the Directors, senior management and staff to enroll in a wide range of professional development courses and seminars organised by professional bodies in Hong Kong so that they can continuously update and further improve their relevant knowledge and skills.

The current Directors received the following trainings during the year ended 31 December 2024:

Attending seminar(s)/ programme(s)/conference(s) and/or reading materials relevant to the business or directors' duties

Mr. Chan Nap Kee, Joseph *(Chairman)* Mr. Yang Yongcheng

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing the financial statements of the Group.

The statement by the Auditors of the Company about their reporting responsibilities is set out on page 70 of this report.

AUDIT MODIFICATION

As described under the section headed "Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion" of the "Independent Auditor's Report", the Group had defaulted in repayment of its bonds payable with a principal amount of HK\$46,800,000 and the accrued interest of approximately HK\$11,750,000 as at 31 December 2024, and as of that date, the Group had net current liabilities and net liabilities of approximately HK\$249,505,000 and HK\$17,949,000 respectively. These events or conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

For further details of the abovementioned disclaimer of opinion, please refer to the "Independent Auditor's Report" set out on page 69 to page 71 of this annual report.

MANAGEMENT'S VIEW ON THE DISCLAIMER OF OPINION

The management of the Company has given careful consideration to the Disclaimer of Opinion (the "Disclaimer") and has had ongoing discussion with RSM Hong Kong when preparing the Group's consolidated financial statements.

The Disclaimer

In respect of the Disclaimer, management of the Company plans to undertake a number of measures (for details please refer to the below section "Action Plan of the Group to Address the Disclaimer") to improve the Group's future operating results, cash flows, liquidity and financial position to enable the Group to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due for the foreseeable future. The management of the Company is of the view that after taking consideration of the Group's financial forecast and measures to be taken, the Group will have sufficient working capital to operate as a going concern for at least 12 months from the end of reporting period, therefore the Group's consolidated financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis.

However, the Company's auditor is of the view that they were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence as to the validity of the going concern basis, as the validity of the going concern basis depends the outcome of measures to be taken, which is subject multiple uncertainties due to future conditions and circumstances, including (i) whether the improvement of future operating results and cash flows would be realised; and (ii) whether the agreements with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts would be reached.

The Disclaimer was due to the absence of sufficient appropriate audit evidence on outcome of future events, there are no difference in view between the management of the Company and the auditor.

The management of the Company acknowledged and agreed with the disclaimer of opinion RSM Hong Kong issued based on their professional and independent assessment.

ACTION PLAN OF THE GROUP TO ADDRESS THE DISCLAIMER AND REMOVAL OF DISCLAIMER

The directors of the Company have given consideration to the future liquidity and performance of the Group and its available sources of finance to continue as going concern. In the opinion of the directors, the Group will have sufficient working capital to finance its operations and to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due in the foreseeable future, based on the cash flow projections of the Group covering the next twelve months from 31 December 2024 prepared by the management of the Company; and after taking into consideration the following:

- (i) having regard to the growth of business as reflected by the increased revenue of the Group, the directors believe that the Group will be able to generate sufficient cash flows from operations; and
- the positive results of the ongoing negotiations with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts, including but not limited to the matured bond payables of HK\$46,800,000 and the accrued interest of approximately HK\$11,750,000.

The management considered that the proposed measures mentioned above, if successful, could improve the Group's liquidity and therefore could help to address the Disclaimer. However, as the management's assessment of the Group's ability to continue as a going concern for the purposes of preparing the Group's consolidated financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2024 has to take into consideration of the future conditions and circumstances and could only be made at the end of the relevant reporting period, the management is unable to ascertain at this moment whether the Disclaimer can be removed in the next financial year purely based on the Company's measures above.

AUDIT COMMITTEE'S VIEW ON THE DISCLAIMER OF OPINION

As the result of the resignation of Mr. Liew Swee Yean, Dr. Wong Yun Kuen and Mr. Wu Zheng, the audit committee of the Company does not have any members as at the date of this report. Thus, the audit committee of the Company is unable to form a view on the Disclaimer.

Independent Auditor's Report



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TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF KAISUN HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

DISCLAIMER OF OPINION

We were engaged to audit the consolidated financial statements of Kaisun Holdings Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group") set out on pages 72 to 158, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, and consolidated statement of profit or loss, consolidated statement of profit or loss and other 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.

We do not express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements of the Group. Because of the significance of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of our report, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on these consolidated financial statements. In all other respects, in our opinion the consolidated financial statements have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

BASIS FOR DISCLAIMER OF OPINION

Material uncertainties relating to going concern

As detailed in note 2 to the consolidated financial statements of the Group, the Group has defaulted in repayment of its bonds payable with a principal amount of HK\$46,800,000 and the accrued interest of approximately HK\$11,750,000 as at 31 December 2024, and as at 31 December 2024, the Group had net current liabilities and net liabilities of approximately HK\$249,505,000 and HK\$17,949,000 respectively. These events and conditions indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

BASIS FOR DISCLAIMER OF OPINION (Continued)

Material uncertainties relating to going concern (Continued)

The management of the Company is planning to undertake a number of measures to improve the Group's future operating results, cash flows, liquidity and financial position to enable the Group to meet its liabilities as and when they fall due for the foreseeable future which are set out in note 2 to the consolidated financial statements of the Group. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, the validity of which depends on the outcome of these measures, which are subject to multiple uncertainties, including: (i) the successful improvement of future operating results and cash flows; and (ii) the positive results of the ongoing negotiations with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts, including but not limited to the defaulted bonds payable with a principal amount of HK\$46,800,000 and the accrued interest of approximately HK\$11,750,000 mentioned above. However, we were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to satisfy ourselves that (i) the improvement of future operating results and cash flows would be realised; and (ii) the agreements with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts would be realised; and (ii) the agreements with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts would be realised; and (ii) the agreements with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts would be realised; and (ii) the agreements with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts would be reached, including the default bonds payable mentioned above.

Should the Group be unable to continue as a going concern, adjustments would have to be made to write down the carrying value of the Group's assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities which might arise, and to reclassify non-current assets and non-current liabilities as current assets and current liabilities respectively. The effect of these adjustments has not been reflected in the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

In view of the significance of and the potential interaction of the multiple uncertainties described above and their possible cumulative effects on the consolidated financial statements, we disclaim our opinion in respect of the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRS Accounting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board 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 assists the directors in discharging their responsibilities for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Independent Auditor's Report

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

Our responsibility is to conduct an audit of the Group's consolidated financial statements in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing ("HKSAs") issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("HKICPA") and to issue an auditor's report. This report is made solely to you, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our 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. However, because of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of our report, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on these consolidated financial statements.

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.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Mr. Wong Poh Weng.

RSM Hong Kong *Certified Public Accountants*

31 March 2025

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Revenue	8	1,112,283	298,941
Cost of goods sold and services		(976,713)	(219,637)
Gross profit		135,570	79,304
Investment and other income	9	3,715	24,599
Other gains and losses	10	(22,668)	(23,291)
Administrative and other operating expenses		(80,747)	(90,764)
Profit/(loss) from operations		35,870	(10,152)
Finance costs	11	(21,449)	(21,579)
Profit/(loss) before tax		14,421	(31,731)
Income tax (expense)/credit	12	(3,028)	3,750
Profit/(loss) for the year	13	11,393	(27,981)
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		8,878	(31,890)
Non-controlling interests		2,515	3,909
		11,393	(27,981)
Earnings/(loss) nor share (sants)			
Earnings/(loss) per share (cents) Basic	17	1.53	(5.51)
Diluted	17	N/A	N1/A
Diluted	17	<u> </u>	N/A

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the year ended 31 December 2024

Note	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Profit/(loss) for the year	11,393	(27,981)
Other comprehensive income		
Item that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:		
Fair value loss on equity instruments at fair value through other		
comprehensive income ("FVTOCI")	—	(900)
Item that may be reclassified to profit or loss:		
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	1,836	(2,956)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	1,836	(3,856)
Total comprehensive income for the year	13,229	(31,837)
Attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	11,621	(35,332)
Non-controlling interests	1,608	3,495
	13,229	(31,837)

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

At 31 December 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	18	83,643	43,012
Right-of-use assets	19	162	10,636
Intangible assets	20	242,391	260,845
Financial assets at FVTOCI	21	—	—
Deferred tax assets	33	9,236	8,522
Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant and equipment		8,016	—
		343,448	323,015
Current assets			
Inventories	23	5,869	3,783
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")	22	11,399	14,601
Trade and bills receivables	24	76,188	74,157
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables	25	208,696	75,502
Deposits in a licensed corporation	-	24,619	25,182
Bank and cash balances	26	70,776	9,907
		397,547	203,132
Current liabilities			
Trade payables	27	13,638	11,255
Other payables and accruals	28	433,841	279,049
Contract liabilities	29	128,950	53,996
Bonds payable	30	46,800	46,800
Other financial liabilities	31	15,671	30,337
Lease liabilities	32	125	186
Current tax liabilities	52	8,027	2,127
		647,052	423,750
			425,750
Net current liabilities		(249,505)	(220,618)
		(249,505)	(220,018)
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Total assets less current liabilities		93,943	102,397

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

At 31 December 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Non-current liabilities			
Other financial liabilities	31	—	11,726
Other payables and accruals	28	92,750	99,439
Lease liabilities	32	31	156
Deferred tax liabilities	33	19,111	22,254
		111,892	133,575
NET LIABILITIES		(17,949)	(31,178)
			()
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	34	58,342	58,342
Reserves	36	(97,337)	(108,958)
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		(38,995)	(50,616)
Non-controlling interests		21,046	19,438
CAPITAL DEFICIENCY		(17,949)	(31,178)
		(17,949)	(31,170)

Approved by the Board of Directors on 31 March 2025 and are signed on its behalf by:

CHAN Nap Kee, Joseph

YANG Yongcheng

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Attributable to owners of the Company								
	Share capital	Shares held under share award scheme	Share premium	Foreign currency translation reserve	Financial assets at FVTOCI reserve	Accumulated losses	Total	Non- controlling interests	Total capital deficiency
		(note 37(a))	(note 36(b)(i))	(note 36(b)(ii))	(note 36(b)(iii))				
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2023	57,657	(3,371)	1,361,095	(978)	(6,300)	(1,425,071)	(16,968)	16,127	(841)
Total comprehensive income for the year Deemed acquisition of	_	_	_	(2,542)	(900)	(31,890)	(35,332)	3,495	(31,837)
non-controlling interest <i>(note)</i> Issue of remuneration shares	_	_	_	_	_	184	184	(184)	_
(note 34)	685		815				1,500		1,500
Changes in equity for the year	685		815	(2,542)	(900)	(31,706)	(33,648)	3,311	(30,337)
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024	58,342	(3,371)	1,361,910	(3,520)	(7,200)	(1,456,777)	(50,616)	19,438	(31,178)
Total comprehensive income for the year				2,743		8,878	11,621	1,608	13,229
Changes in equity for the year				2,743		8,878	11,621	1,608	13,229
At 31 December 2024	58,342	(3,371)	1,361,910	(777)	(7,200)	(1,447,899)	(38,995)	21,046	(17,949)

Note: During the year ended 31 December 2023, the Group contributed HK\$780,000 into 山東凱萊能源物流有限公司("Kailai") while no further contribution was made by the non-controlling shareholder. Accordingly, the equity interest of the non-controlling shareholder was diluted from 20.18% to 20.05%, which constituted a deemed acquisition of non-controlling interest. The difference of HK\$184,000 between the net asset value of Kailai owned by the non-controlling shareholder before and after the deemed acquisition was transferred from non-controlling interest to accumulated losses.

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
	Note		111(\$ 000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit/(loss) before tax		14,421	(31,731)
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment		3,826	3,297
Depreciation on right-of-use assets		577	1,214
Amortisation of intangible assets		10,111	10,287
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		1	27
Fair value loss on financial assets at FVTPL		4,327	1,279
Fair value (gain)/loss on financial liabilities at FVTPL		(26,392)	6,469
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables		21,548	5,982
Impairment loss on financial assets at FVTOCI		_	9,500
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment		13,036	_
Impairment loss on right-of-use assets		9,767	286
Finance costs		21,449	21,579
Investment income		(1,197)	(459)
Issue of shares for settlement of profession fees			1,500
Operating profit before working capital changes		71,474	29,230
(Increase)/decrease in inventories		(2,257)	21
Increase in trade and bills receivables		(13,557)	(25,495)
Increase in deposits, prepayments and other receivables		(151,332)	(6)
Decrease in deposits in a licensed corporation		538	984
Increase/(decrease) in trade payables		2,812	(11,273)
Increase in other payables and accruals		142,319	10,536
Increase in contract liabilities		78,380	10,935
Cash generated from operations		128,377	14,932
Purchases of financial assets at FVTPL		(1,126)	(1,518)
Income tax paid		(1,120)	(1,518)
Interest on borrowings	39(a)	(152)	(187)
Interest on lease liabilities	39(a)	(34)	(45)
Net cash generated from operating activities		127,065	13,180

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received Dividend income from equity investments Purchases of property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposals of property, plant and equipment Deposits paid for acquisition of property, plant and equipment		797 400 (59,216) 12 (8,190)	207 252 (8,524) —
Net cash used in investing activities		(66,197)	(8,065)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Principal elements of lease payments Repayment of bank loan	39(b) 39(a)	(186) 	(733)
Net cash used in financing activities		(186)	(814)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		60,682	4,301
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes		187	(2,217)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 1 JANUARY		9,907	7,823
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER		70,776	9,907
ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Bank and cash balances		70,776	9,907

For the year ended 31 December 2024

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Kaisun Holdings Limited ("the Company") was incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability. The address of its registered office is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. Box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands. The address of its principal place of business is Room 1304, 13/F., Car Po Commercial Building, 18–20 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central, Hong Kong. The Company's shares are listed on the GEM of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange").

The Company is an investment holding company. The principal activities of its subsidiaries are set out in note 38 to the consolidated financial statements.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND GOING CONCERN

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with all applicable International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS Accounting Standards") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the "IASB"). IFRS Accounting Standards comprise International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"); International Accounting Standards ("IAS"); and Interpretations. These consolidated financial statements also comply with the applicable disclosure provisions of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the GEM of the Stock Exchange ("GEM Listing Rules") and with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622).

The IASB has issued certain new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards that are first effective or available for early adoption for the current accounting period of the Group. Note 3 provides information on any changes in accounting policies resulting from initial application of these developments to the extent that they are relevant to the Group for the current and prior accounting periods reflected in these consolidated financial statements.

Going concern basis

As at 31 December 2024, the Group had net current liabilities and net liabilities of approximately HK\$249,505,000 and HK\$17,949,000 respectively.

As disclosed in note 30 to the consolidated financial statements, the Group had defaulted in repayment of its bonds payable with a principal amount of HK\$46,800,000 and the accrued interest of approximately HK\$11,750,000 as at 31 December 2024.

These events or conditions indicate the existence of a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the Group may be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

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2. BASIS OF PREPARATION AND GOING CONCERN (Continued)

Going concern basis (Continued)

The directors of the Company have given consideration to the future liquidity and performance of the Group and its available sources of finance to continue as going concern. In the opinion of the directors, the Group will have sufficient working capital to finance its operations and to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due in the foreseeable future, based on the cash flow projections of the Group covering the next twelve months from 31 December 2024 prepared by the management of the Company; and after taking into consideration the following:

- (i) having regard to the continued growth of the normal business activities of the Group including the business of fire extinguishing works in Xinjiang mine, the directors believe that the Group will be able to generate sufficient cash flows from operations; and
- (ii) the expected positive results of the ongoing negotiations with the Group's creditors on the extension of repayment of debts, including but not limited to the bond payables of HK\$46,800,000 and the accrued interest of approximately HK\$11,750,000 as disclosed in note 30 to the consolidated financial statements.

Accordingly, the directors of the Company are of the opinion that it is appropriate to prepare the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis. Should the Group be unable to continue as a going concern, adjustments would have to be made to the consolidated financial statements to adjust the value of the Group's assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities which might arise and to reclassify non-current assets and liabilities as current assets and liabilities, respectively.

3. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED IFRS ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

(a) Application of new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards

The Group has applied the following amendments to IFRS Accounting Standards issued by the IASB for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the annual period beginning on or after 1 January 2024 for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to IAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current
Amendments to IAS 1	Non-current Liabilities with Covenants
Amendments to IFRS 16	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
Hong Kong Interpretation 5	Presentation of Financial Statements — Classification
("HK Int 5") (Revised)	by the Borrower of a Term Loan that Contains a
	Repayment on Demand Clause
Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7	Supplier Finance Arrangements

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3. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED IFRS ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (Continued)

(a) Application of new and revised IFRS Accounting Standards (Continued) Adoption of Amendments to IAS 1 "Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current" and Amendments to IAS 1 "Non-current Liabilities with Covenants" (collectively the "IAS 1 Amendments")

As a result of the adoption of the IAS 1 Amendments, the Group changed its accounting policy for the classification of borrowings as below:

"Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless, at the end of the reporting period, the Group has a right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

Covenants that the Group is required to comply with, on or before the end of the reporting period, are considered in classifying loan arrangements with covenants as current or non-current. Covenants that the Group is required to comply with after the reporting period do not affect the classification."

This new policy did not result in a change in the classification of the Group's borrowings. The Group did not make retrospective adjustments as a result of adopting IAS 1 Amendments.

Except for the above, other amendments and interpretation listed above did not have any material impact on the amounts recognised in prior periods and are not expected to significantly affect the current or future periods.

(b) Revised IFRS Accounting Standards in issue but not yet effective

Up to the date of issue of these consolidated financial statements, the IASB has issued a number of new standards and amendments to standards and interpretation, which are not effective for the year ended 31 December 2024 and which have not been adopted in these consolidated financial statements. The Group has not early applied the following which may be relevant to the Group:

	Effective for accounting periods beginning on or after
Amondments to IAS 21 and IERS 1 — Lack of Exchangeability	1 January 2025
Amendments to IAS 21 and IFRS 1 — Lack of Exchangeability Amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7 — Classification and Measurement of	1 January 2025 1 January 2026
Financial Instruments	T January 2020
Annual Improvements to IFRS Accounting Standards — Volume 11	1 January 2026
IFRS 18 — Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements	1 January 2027
Amendments to HK Int 5 — Presentation of Financial Statements — Classification by	/ 1 January 2027
the Borrower of a Term Loan that Contains a Repayment on Demand Clause	
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 $-$ Sale or Contribution of Assets between an	To be determined
Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	by the IASB

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3. ADOPTION OF NEW AND REVISED IFRS ACCOUNTING STANDARDS (Continued)

(b) Revised IFRS Accounting Standards in issue but not yet effective (Continued) The directors of the Company are in the process of making an assessment of what the impacts of these new standards, amendments to standards and interpretation are expected to be in the period of initial application. So far it has concluded that the adoption of them is unlikely to have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements except for the new and amendments to IFRS Accounting Standards mentioned below.

IFRS 18 "Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements"

IFRS 18 will replace IAS 1 "Presentation of financial statements", introducing new requirements that will help to achieve comparability of the financial performance of similar entities and provide more relevant information and transparency to users. Even though IFRS 18 will not impact the recognition or measurement of items in the consolidated financial statements, IFRS 18 introduces significant changes to the presentation of financial statements, with a focus on information about financial performance present in the statement of profit or loss, which will affect how the Group present and disclose financial performance in the financial statements. The key changes introduced in IFRS 18 relate to (i) the structure of the statement of profit or loss, (ii) required disclosures for management-defined performance measures (which are referred to alternative or non-GAAP performance measures), and (iii) enhanced requirements for aggregation and disaggregation of information.

The directors of the Company are currently assessing the impact of applying IFRS 18 on the presentation and the disclosures of the consolidated financial statements.

Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments — Amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7

The IASB issued targeted amendments to IFRS 9 and IFRS 7 to respond to recent questions arising in practice, and to include new requirements not only for financial institutions but also for corporate entities. These amendments:

- clarify the date of recognition and derecognition of some financial assets and liabilities, with a new exception for some financial liabilities settled through an electronic cash transfer system;
- clarify and add further guidance for assessing whether a financial asset meets the solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) criterion;
- add new disclosures for certain instruments with contractual terms that can change cash flows (such as some financial instruments with features linked to the achievement of environment, social and governance targets); and
- update the disclosures for equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI).

The application of the amendments is not expected to have significant impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, unless mentioned otherwise in the accounting policies below (e.g. certain financial instruments that are measured at fair value).

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the consolidated financial statements are disclosed in note 5.

The material accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries made up to 31 December. Subsidiaries are entities over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when it is exposed, 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. The Group has power over an entity when the Group has existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities, i.e. activities that significantly affect the entity's returns.

When assessing control, the Group considers its potential voting rights as well as potential voting rights held by other parties. A potential voting right is considered only if the holder has the practical ability to exercise that right.

Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are de-consolidated from the date the control ceases.

The gain or loss on the disposal of a subsidiary that results in a loss of control represents the difference between (i) the fair value of the consideration of the sale plus the fair value of any investment retained in that subsidiary and (ii) the Company's share of the net assets of that subsidiary plus any remaining goodwill and any accumulated foreign currency translation reserve relating to that subsidiary.

Intragroup transactions, balances and unrealised profits are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(a) Consolidation (Continued)

Non-controlling interests represent the equity in subsidiaries not attributable, directly or indirectly, to the Company. Non-controlling interests are presented in the consolidated statement of financial position and consolidated statement of changes in equity within equity. Non-controlling interests are presented in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as an allocation of profit or loss and total comprehensive income for the year between the non-controlling shareholders and owners of the Company.

Profit or loss and each component of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling shareholders even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

Changes in the Company's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions (i.e. transactions with owners in their capacity as owners). The carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to the owners of the Company.

(b) Separate financial statements

In the Company's statement of financial position, an investment in a subsidiary is stated at cost less impairment loss, unless the investment is classified as held for sale (or included in a disposal group that is classified as held for sale). Cost includes direct attributable costs of investments. The results of subsidiaries are accounted for by the Company on the basis of dividend received or receivable.

Impairment testing of the investments in subsidiaries is required upon receiving a dividend from these investments if the dividend exceeds the total comprehensive income of the subsidiary in the period the dividend is declared or if the carrying amount of the investment in the separate financial statements exceeds the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements of the investee's net assets including goodwill.

(c) Foreign currency translation

(i) 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 Hong Kong dollars ("HK\$"), which is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(c) Foreign currency translation (Continued)

(ii) Transactions and balances in each entity's financial statements

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency on initial recognition using the exchange rates prevailing on the transaction dates. Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the end of each reporting period. Gains and losses resulting from this translation policy are recognised in profit or loss.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the foreign exchange rates ruling at the transaction dates. The transaction date is the date on which the company initially recognises such non-monetary assets or liabilities. Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in foreign currencies are translated using the exchange rates at the dates when the fair values are determined.

When a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognised in other comprehensive income, any exchange component of that gain or loss is recognised in other comprehensive income. When a gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognised in profit or loss, any exchange component of that gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss.

(iii) Translation on consolidation

The results and financial position of all foreign operations (none of which has the currency of hyperinflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the Company's presentation currency are translated into the Company's presentation currency as follows:

- Assets and liabilities for each statement of financial position presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that statement of financial position;
- Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates for the period (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the exchange rates on the transaction dates); and
- All resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve.

On consolidation, exchange differences arising from the translation of monetary items that form part of the net investment in foreign entities are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve. When a foreign operation is sold, such exchange differences are reclassified to consolidated profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(d) Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, or for administrative purposes (other than construction in progress as described below). Property, plant and equipment are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost, less subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses, if any.

When the Group makes payments for ownership interests of properties which includes both leasehold land and building elements, the entire consideration is allocated between the leasehold land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values at initial recognition. To the extent the allocation of the relevant payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land is presented as "right-of-use assets" in the consolidated statement of financial position. When the consideration cannot be allocated reliably between non-lease building element and undivided interest in the underlying leasehold land, the entire properties are classified as property, plant and equipment.

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. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised in profit or loss during the period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is calculated at rates sufficient to write off their cost less their residual values over the estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis. The principal annual rates are as follows:

Railway logistic platform	10%
Buildings	2%-4.5%
Leasehold improvements	20%-30%
Plant and machinery	9%-20%
Office equipment	15%-25%
Furniture and fixtures	10%-20%
Motor vehicles	10%-30%

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

Construction in progress represents buildings under construction and plant and equipment pending installation and is stated at cost less impairment losses. Depreciation begins when the relevant assets are available for use.

The gain or loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment is the difference between the net sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the relevant asset, and is recognised in profit or loss.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(e) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. Control is conveyed where the customer has both the right to direct the use of the identified asset and to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from that use.

(i) The Group as a lessee

Where the contract contains lease component(s) and non-lease component(s), the Group has elected not to separate non-lease components and accounts for each lease component and any associated non-lease components as a single lease component for all leases.

At the lease commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability, except for short-term leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. When the Group enters into a lease in respect of a low-value asset, the Group decides whether to capitalise the lease on a lease-by-lease basis. The lease payments associated with those leases which are not capitalised are recognised as an expense on a systematic basis over the lease term.

Where the lease is capitalised, the lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments payable over the lease term, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, using a relevant incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the lease liability. After initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost and interest expense is calculated using the effective interest method.

Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability and hence are charged to profit or loss in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

To determine the incremental borrowing rate, the Group:

- where possible, uses recent third-party financing received by the individual lessee as a starting point, adjusted to reflect changes in financing conditions since third party financing was received, and
- makes adjustments specific to the lease, e.g. term, country, currency and security.

If a readily observable amortising loan rate is available to the individual lessee (through recent financing or market data) which has a similar payment profile to the lease, then the group entities use that rate as a starting point to determine the incremental borrowing rate.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(e) Leases (Continued)

(i) The Group as a lessee (Continued)

The right-of-use asset recognised when a lease is capitalised is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability plus any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, and any initial direct costs incurred. Where applicable, the cost of the right-of-use assets also includes an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, discounted to their present value, less any lease incentives received. The right-of-use asset is subsequently stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Right-of-use assets in which the Group is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the underlying leased assets at the end of the lease term are depreciated from commencement date to the end of the useful life. Otherwise, right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term.

Refundable rental deposits paid are accounted under IFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments and included in the cost of right-of-use assets.

The lease liability is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, or there is a change in the Group's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, or there is a change arising from the reassessment of whether the Group will be reasonably certain to exercise a purchase, extension or termination option. When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The lease liability is also remeasured when there is a change in the scope of a lease or the consideration for a lease that is not originally provided for in the lease contract ("lease modification") that is not accounted for as a separate lease. In this case the lease liability is remeasured based on the revised lease payments and lease term using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

(ii) The Group as a lessor

When the Group acts as a lessor, it determines at lease inception whether each lease is a finance lease or an operating lease. A lease is classified as a finance lease if it transfers substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to the ownership of an underlying assets to the lessee. If this is not the case, the lease is classified as an operating lease.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(f) Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired by the Group are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure on capitalised intangible assets is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific assets to which it relates. All other expenditure is expensed as incurred.

Amortisation is charged to the statement of profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets unless such lives are indefinite. Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are tested for impairment at the end of each reporting period.

(g) Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average basis. The cost of finished goods and work in progress comprises raw materials, direct labour and an appropriate proportion of all production overhead expenditure, and where appropriate, subcontracting charges. 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.

(h) Contract assets and contract liabilities

Contract asset is recognised when the Group recognises revenue before being unconditionally entitled to the consideration under the payment terms set out in the contract. Contract assets are assessed for expected credit losses ("ECL") in accordance with the policy set out in note 4(y) and are reclassified to receivables when the right to the consideration has become unconditional.

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

For a single contract with the customer, either a net contract asset or a net contract liability is presented. For multiple contracts, contract assets and contract liabilities of unrelated contracts are not presented on a net basis.

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

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(i) Construction contracts

A contract with a customer is classified by the Group as a construction contract when the contract relates to manufacture the mining and metallurgical machineries products under the control of the customer and therefore the Group's construction activities create or enhance an asset under the customer's control.

When the outcome of a construction contract can be reasonably measured, revenue from the contract is recognised progressively over time using the cost-to-cost method, i.e. based on the proportion of the actual costs incurred relative to the estimated total costs. The directors consider that this input method is an appropriate measure of the progress towards complete satisfaction of these performance obligations under IFRS 15.

The Group becomes entitled to invoice customers for construction works based on achieving a series of performance-related milestones. When a particular milestone is reached the customer would confirm a relevant statement of work and an invoice would be issued for the related milestone payment. The Group will previously have recognised a contract asset for any work performed. Any amount previously recognised as a contract asset is reclassified to trade receivables at the point at which it is invoiced to the customer. If the milestone payment exceeds the revenue recognised to date under the cost-to-cost method then the Group recognises a contract liability for the difference. There is not considered to be a significant financing component in construction contracts with customers as the period between the recognition of revenue under the cost-to-cost method and the milestone payment is always less than one year.

The likelihood of the Group earning contractual bonuses for early completion or suffering contractual penalties for late completion are taken into account in making these estimates, such that revenue is only recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur.

When the outcome of the contract cannot be reasonably measured, revenue is recognised only to the extent of contract costs incurred that are expected to be recovered.

If at any time the costs to complete the contract are estimated to exceed the remaining amount of the consideration under the contract, then a provision is recognised.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(j) Recognition and derecognition of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position when the Group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at sets or financial assets are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

The Group derecognises a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognises its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the balance sheet when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The legally enforceable right must not be contingent on future events and must be enforceable in the normal course of business and in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy of the company or the counterparty.

(k) Financial assets

All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the marketplace. All recognised financial assets are measured subsequently in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(k) Financial assets (Continued) Debt investments Debt investments held by the Group are classified into one of the following measurement categories:

- amortised cost, if the investment is held for the collection of contractual cash flows which represent solely payments of principal and interest. Interest income from the investment is calculated using the effective interest method.
- FVTOCI recycling, if the contractual cash flows of the investment comprise solely payments of principal and interest and the investment is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both the collection of contractual cash flows and sale. Changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income, except for the recognition in profit or loss of ECL, interest income (calculated using the effective interest method) and foreign exchange gains and losses. When the investment is derecognised, the amount accumulated in other comprehensive income is recycled from equity to profit or loss.
- FVTPL if the investment does not meet the criteria for being measured at amortised cost or FVTOCI (recycling). Changes in the fair value of the investment (including interest) are recognised in profit or loss.

Equity investments

An investment in equity securities is classified as FVTPL unless the equity investment is not held for trading purposes and on initial recognition of the investment the Group makes an election to designate the investment at FVTOCI (non-recycling) such that subsequent changes in fair value are recognised in other comprehensive income. Such elections are made on an instrument-by-instrument basis, but may only be made if the investment meets the definition of equity from the issuer's perspective. Where such an election is made, the amount accumulated in other comprehensive income remains in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) until the investment is disposed of. At the time of disposal, the amount accumulated in the fair value reserve (non-recycling) is transferred to retained earnings. It is not recycled through profit or loss. Dividends from an investment in equity securities, irrespective of whether classified as at FVTPL or FVTOCI, are recognised in profit or loss as other income.

(I) Trade and other receivables

A receivable is recognised when the group has an unconditional right to receive consideration. A right to receive consideration is unconditional if only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due. If revenue has been recognised before the group has an unconditional right to receive consideration, the amount is presented as a contract asset.

Trade receivables are recognised initially at the amount of consideration that is unconditional unless they contain significant financing components, when they are recognised at fair value. The Group holds the trade receivables with the objective of collecting the contractual cash flows and therefore measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method less allowance for credit losses.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(m) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other financial institutions, and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible into known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, having been within three months of maturity at acquisition. Bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the group's cash management are also included as a component of cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of the consolidated cash flow statement. Cash and cash equivalents are assessed for ECL.

(n) Financial liabilities and equity instruments

Financial liabilities and equity instruments are classified according to the substance of the contractual arrangements entered into and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument under IFRS Accounting Standards. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the Group after deducting all of its liabilities. The accounting policies adopted for specific financial liabilities and equity instruments are set out below.

(o) Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred, and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption amount is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a prepayment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless, at the end of the reporting period, the Group has a right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.

Covenants that the Group is required to comply with, on or before the end of the reporting period, are considered in classifying loan arrangements with covenants as current or non-current. Covenants that the Group is required to comply with after the reporting period do not affect the classification at the reporting date.

(p) Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at their fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the effect of discounting would be immaterial, in which case they are stated at cost.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(q) Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidence a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

(r) Revenue and other income

Revenue is recognised when control over a product or service is transferred to the customer, 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.

Revenues from the production and sales of coal, sales of spare parts for mining and metallurgical machineries products and provision of supply chain management services for mineral business are recognised when control of the goods has transferred, being when the goods have been delivery to the customer's specific location (delivery). Following delivery, the customer has full discretion over the manner of distribution and price to sell the goods, has the primary responsibility when on selling the goods and bears the risks of obsolescence and loss in relation to the goods. A receivable is recognised by the Group when the goods are delivered to the customer as this represents the point in time at which the right to consideration becomes unconditional, as only the passage of time is required before payment is due.

Revenue from sales of manufactured mining and metallurgical machineries products is recognised based on the stage of completion of the contract. Payment for installation of machineries is not due from the customer until the installation services are complete and therefore a contract asset is recognised over the period in which the installation services are performed representing the entity's right to consideration for the services performed to date.

Revenue from construction contracts is recognised in accordance with the policy set out in note 4(i) above.

The Group organises eSports events and provides events management services and corporate services. Revenues are recognised over time where the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group as the Group performs. Revenue from such services are recognised based on the stage of completion of the contract. Payment for provision of services are not due from the customers until the services are completed and therefore a contract asset is recognised over the period in which the services are performed representing the entity's right to consideration for the services performed to date. Otherwise revenue were recognised at a point in time.

Revenue from logistics services for mineral business and trust and trustee services are recognised when the services are rendered.

Revenue from operating of railway logistic platform logistics are recognised when the services are rendered.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(r) Revenue and other income (Continued)

Interest income is recognised as it accrues using the effective interest method. For financial assets measured at amortised cost or FVTOCI (recycling) that are not credit-impaired, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset. For credit impaired financial assets, the effective interest rate is applied to the amortised cost (i.e. gross carrying amount net of loss allowance) of the asset.

Dividend income is recognised when the shareholders' rights to receive payment are established.

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. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are earned.

Service income for coal fire extinguishment works is recognised in profit or loss when the rights to receive payment is established.

(s) Employee benefits

(i) Employee leave entitlements

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the end of the reporting period.

Employee entitlements to sick leave and maternity leave are not recognised until the time of leave.

(ii) Pension obligations

The Group contributes to defined contribution retirement schemes which are available to all employees. Contributions to the schemes by the Group and employees are calculated as a percentage of employees' basic salaries. The retirement benefit scheme cost charged to profit or loss represents contributions payable by the Group to the funds.

For LSP obligation, the Group accounts for the employer MPF contributions expected to be offsetted as a deemed employee contribution towards the LSP obligation in term of IAS 19 paragraph 93(a) and it is measured on a net basis. The estimated amount of future benefit is determined after deducting the negative service cost arising from the accrued benefits derived from the Group's MPF contributions that have been vested with employees, which are deemed to be contributions from the relevant employees.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(s) Employee benefits (Continued)

(iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised at the earlier of the dates when the Group can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits, and when the Group recognises restructuring costs and involves the payment of termination benefits.

(t) Share-based payments

The Group issues equity-settled share-based payments to certain directors, employees and consultants.

Equity-settled share-based payments to directors and employees are measured at the fair value (excluding the effect of non-market based vesting conditions) of the equity instruments at the date of grant. The fair value determined at the grant date of the equity-settled share-based payments is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of shares that will eventually vest and adjusted for the effect of non-market based vesting conditions.

Equity-settled share-based payments to consultants are measured at the fair value of the services rendered or, if the fair value of the services rendered cannot be reliably measured, at the fair value of the equity instruments granted. The fair value is measured at the date the Group receives the services and is recognised as an expense.

(u) Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

(v) Government grants

A government grant is recognised when there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to it and that the grant will be received.

Government grants that become receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable.

(w) Taxation

Income tax represents the sum of the current tax and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit recognised in profit or loss because of items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(w) Taxation (Continued)

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary difference to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit and at the time of transaction does not give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised, based on tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. Deferred tax is recognised in profit or loss, except when it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case the deferred tax is also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity.

The measurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for leasing transactions in which the Group recognises the right-of-use assets and the related lease liabilities, the Group first determines whether the tax deductions are attributable to the right-of-use assets or the lease liabilities.

For leasing transactions in which the tax deductions are attributable to the lease liabilities, the Group applies IAS 12 requirements to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities separately. The Group recognises a deferred tax asset related to lease liabilities to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences can be utilised and a deferred tax liability for all taxable temporary differences.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends either to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(w) Taxation (Continued)

In assessing any uncertainty over income tax treatments, the Group considers whether it is probable that the relevant tax authority will accept the uncertain tax treatment used, or proposed to be use by individual group entities in their income tax filings. If it is probable, the current and deferred taxes are determined consistently with the tax treatment in the income tax filings. If it is not probable that the relevant taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the effect of each uncertainty is reflected by using either the most likely amount or the expected value.

(x) Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of non-financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date for indications of impairment and where an asset is impaired, it is written down as an expense through the consolidated statement of profit or loss to its estimated recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or groups of assets. If this is the case, recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Recoverable amount is the higher of value in use and the fair value less costs of disposal of the individual asset or the cash-generating unit.

Value in use is the present value of the estimated future cash flows of the asset/cash-generating unit. Present values are computed using pre-tax discount rates that reflect the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset/cash-generating unit whose impairment is being measured.

Impairment losses for cash-generating units are allocated first against the goodwill of the unit and then pro rata amongst the other assets of the cash-generating unit. Subsequent increases in the recoverable amount caused by changes in estimates are credited to profit or loss to the extent that they reverse the impairment.

(y) Impairment of financial assets

The Group recognises a loss allowance for ECL on investments in debt instruments that are measured at amortised cost or at FVTOCI, trade and other receivables, deposits in a licensed corporation and bank and cash balances. The amount of ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

The Group always recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables. The ECL on these financial assets are estimated using a provision matrix based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date, including time value of money where appropriate.

For all other financial instruments, the Group recognises lifetime ECL when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. However, if the credit risk on the financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group measures the loss allowance for that financial instrument at an amount equal to 12-month ECL.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(y) Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

Lifetime ECL represents the ECL that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. In contrast, 12-month ECL represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date.

Significant increase in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort. Forward-looking information considered includes the future prospects of the industries in which the Group's debtors operate, obtained from economic expert reports, financial analysts, governmental bodies, relevant think-tanks and other similar organisations, as well as consideration of various external sources of actual and forecast economic information that relate to the Group's core operations.

In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition:

- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the financial instrument's external (if available) or internal credit rating;
- significant deterioration in external market indicators of credit risk for a particular financial instrument;
- existing or forecast adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor;
- significant increases in credit risk on other financial instruments of the same debtor; and
- an actual or expected significant adverse change in the regulatory, economic, or technological environment of the debtor that results in a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations.

Irrespective of the outcome of the above assessment, the Group presumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition when contractual payments are more than 30 days past due, unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information that demonstrates otherwise.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(y) Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

Significant increase in credit risk (Continued)

Despite the foregoing, the Group assumes that the credit risk on a financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition if the financial instrument is determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date. A financial instrument is determined to have low credit risk if:

- (i) the financial instrument has a low risk of default,
- (ii) the debtor has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term, and
- (iii) adverse changes in economic and business conditions in the longer term may, but will not necessarily, reduce the ability of the borrower to fulfil its contractual cash flow obligations.

The Group considers a financial asset to have low credit risk when the asset has external credit rating of "investment grade" in accordance with the globally understood definition or if an external rating is not available, the asset has an internal rating of "performing". Performing means that the counterparty has a strong financial position and there is no past due amounts.

The Group regularly monitors the effectiveness of the criteria used to identify whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk and revises them as appropriate to ensure that the criteria are capable of identifying significant increase in credit risk before the amount becomes past due.

Definition of default

The Group considers the following as constituting an event of default for internal credit risk management purposes as historical experience indicates that receivables that meet either of the following criteria are generally not recoverable.

- when there is a breach of financial covenants by the counterparty; or
- information developed internally or obtained from external sources indicates that the debtor is unlikely to pay its creditors, including the Group, in full (without taking into account any collaterals held by the Group).

Irrespective of the above analysis, the Group considers that default has occurred when a financial asset is more than 90 days past due unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information to demonstrate that a more lagging default criterion is more appropriate.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(y) Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

Credit-impaired financial assets

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes observable data about the following events:

- significant financial difficulty of the issuer or the counterparty;
- a breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- the lender(s) of the counterparty, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the counterparty's financial difficulty, having granted to the counterparty a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider;
- it is becoming probable that the counterparty will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties.

Write-off policy

The Group writes off a financial asset when there is information indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, including when the debtor has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings, or in the case of trade receivables, when the amounts are over two years past due, whichever occurs sooner. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the Group's recovery procedures, taking into account legal advice where appropriate. Any recoveries made are recognised in profit or loss.

Measurement and recognition of ECL

The measurement of ECL is a function of the probability of default, loss given default (i.e. the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data adjusted by forward-looking information as described above. As for the exposure at default, for financial assets, this is represented by the assets' gross carrying amount at the reporting date.

For financial assets, the expected credit loss is estimated as the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Group in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

If the Group has measured the loss allowance for a financial instrument at an amount equal to lifetime ECL in the previous reporting period, but determines at the current reporting date that the conditions for lifetime ECL are no longer met, the Group measures the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month ECL at the current reporting date, except for assets for which simplified approach was used.

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4. MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICY INFORMATION (Continued)

(y) Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

Measurement and recognition of ECL (Continued)

The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment to their carrying amount through a loss allowance account, except for investments in debt instruments that are measured at FVTOCI, for which the loss allowance is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the investment revaluation reserve, and does not reduce the carrying amount of the financial asset in the statement of financial position.

(z) Provisions and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised for liabilities of uncertain timing or amount when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation arising as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made. Where the time value of money is material, provisions are stated at the present value of the expenditures expected to settle the obligation. The discount rate used to determine the present value is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as interest expense.

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 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 is remote.

(aa) Events after the reporting period

Events after the reporting period that provide additional information about the Group's position at the end of the reporting period or those that indicate the going concern assumption is not applicable are adjusting events and are reflected in the consolidated financial statements. Events after the reporting period that are not adjusting events are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements when material.

5. CRITICAL JUDGEMENTS AND KEY ESTIMATES

In applying the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 4, the directors are required to make judgements (other than those involving estimations) that have a significant impact on the amounts recognised and to make estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated 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.

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5. CRITICAL JUDGEMENTS AND KEY ESTIMATES (Continued)

Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

In the process of applying the accounting policies, the directors have made the following judgements that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements (apart from those involving estimations, which are dealt with below).

(a) Going concern basis

The directors have prepared the consolidated financial statements on the assumption that the Group will be able to operate as a going concern in the next twelve months from the reporting date, which is a critical judgement that has the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements. The assessment of the going concern assumption involves making a judgement by the directors, at a particular point of time, about the future outcome of events or conditions which are inherently uncertain. The directors consider that the Group has the capability to continue as a going concern and the major events or conditions, which may give rise to business risks, that individually or collectively may cast significant doubt upon the going concern assumption are set out in note 2 to the consolidated financial statements.

(b) Significant increase in credit risk

ECL are measured as an allowance equal to 12-month ECL for stage 1 assets, or lifetime ECL for stage 2 or stage 3 assets. An asset moves to stage 2 when its credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. IFRS 9 does not define what constitutes a significant increase in credit risk. In assessing whether the credit risk of an asset has significantly increased the Group takes into account qualitative and quantitative reasonable and supportable forward looking information.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

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

(a) Impairment of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets

Property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets are stated at costs less accumulated depreciation and impairment, if any. In determining whether an asset is impaired, the Group has to exercise judgment and make estimation, particularly in assessing: (1) whether an event has occurred or any indicators that may affect the asset value; (2) whether the carrying value of an asset can be supported by the recoverable amount, in the case of value in use, the net present value of future cash flows which are estimated based upon the continued use of the asset; and (3) the appropriate key assumptions to be applied in estimating the recoverable amounts including cash flow projections and an appropriate discount rate. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset (including right-of-use assets), the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the assets belongs. Changing the assumptions and estimates, including the discount rates or the growth rate in the cash flow projections, could materially affect the recoverable amounts.

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5. CRITICAL JUDGEMENTS AND KEY ESTIMATES (Continued)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

(a) Impairment of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets (Continued) The carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets as at 31 December 2024 were approximately HK\$83,643,000 (2023: HK\$43,012,000) and HK\$162,000 (2023: HK\$10,636,000) respectively.

(b) Impairment of intangible assets

The Group assesses whether there are any indicators of impairment for intangible assets at the end of each reporting period. Intangible assets are tested for impairment when there are indicators that the carrying amounts may not be recoverable. When value in use calculations are undertaken, the directors must estimate the expected future cash flows from the assets or cash-generating unit and choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The carrying amount of intangible assets at the end of the reporting period was approximately HK\$242,391,000 (2023: HK\$260,845,000).

(c) Impairment of trade and bills receivables

The management of the Group estimates the amount of impairment loss for ECL on trade and bills receivables based on the credit risk of trade and bills receivables. The amount of the impairment loss based on ECL model is measured as the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Group in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition. Where the future cash flows are less than expected, or being revised downward due to changes in facts and circumstances, a material impairment loss may arise.

The Group uses practical expedient in estimating ECL on trade and bills receivables using a provision matrix. The provision rates are based on aging of debtors as groupings of various debtors taking into consideration the Group's historical default rates and forward-looking information that is reasonable and supportable available without undue costs or effort. At every reporting date, the historical observed default rates are reassessed and changes in the forward-looking information are considered.

As at 31 December 2024, the carrying amount of trade and bills receivables was approximately HK\$76,188,000 (net of allowance for doubtful debts of approximately HK\$52,435,000) (2023: HK\$74,157,000 (net of allowance for doubtful debts of HK\$44,281,000)).

(d) Allowance for slow-moving inventories

Allowance for slow-moving inventories is made based on the ageing and estimated net realisable value of inventories. The assessment of the allowance amount involves judgement and estimates. Where the actual outcome in future is different from the original estimate, such difference will impact the carrying value of inventories and allowance charge/write-back in the period in which such estimate has been changed. No allowance for slow-moving inventories was made for the year ended 31 December 2024 (2023: Nil).

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5. CRITICAL JUDGEMENTS AND KEY ESTIMATES (Continued)

Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

(e) Fair value of investments

In the absence of quoted market prices in an active market, the directors estimate the fair value of the Group's investment, details of which are set out in note 21 to the consolidated financial statements, by considering information from a variety of sources, including the latest published financial information, the historical data on market volatility as well as the price and industry and sector performance of each investment.

No carrying amount of the investments as at 31 December 2024 and 2023.

6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: foreign currency risk, price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and interest rate risk. The Group's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's financial performance.

(a) Foreign currency risk

The Group has minimal exposure to foreign currency risk as most of its business transactions, assets and liabilities are principally denominated in HK\$, United States dollars ("US\$") and Renminbi ("RMB"). The Group currently does not have a foreign currency hedging policy in respect of foreign currency transactions, assets and liabilities. The Group monitors its foreign currency exposure closely and will consider hedging significant foreign currency exposure should the need arise.

At 31 December 2024, if the HK\$ had strengthened/weakened 3 per cent (2023: 3 per cent) against RMB with all other variables held constant, consolidated profit after tax for the year would have been approximately HK\$5,322,000 lower/higher (2023: loss after tax for the year of HK\$4,796,000 higher/ lower), arising mainly as a result of the foreign exchange loss/gain on trade and other payables denominated in RMB.

The directors of the Company consider that the foreign currency exposure in respect of US\$ for the years ended 31 December 2024 and 2023 are insignificant to the Group and therefore no sensitivity analysis is presented thereon.

(b) Price risk

The Group is exposed to equity price risk mainly through its investment in equity securities. The management manages this exposure by maintaining a portfolio of investments with different risk and return profiles. The Group's equity price risk is mainly concentrated on equity securities quoted on the Stock Exchange.

The sensitivity analysis below has been determined based on the exposure to equity price risk at the end of the reporting period.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(b) Price risk (Continued)

If equity prices had been 10% (2023: 10%) higher/lower, consolidated profit after tax for the year ended 31 December 2024 would increased/decreased by approximately HK\$1,140,000 (2023: loss after tax for the year decreased/increased by HK\$1,460,000). This is mainly due to the changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

(c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will not meet its obligations under a financial instrument or customer contract, leading to a financial loss. The Group is exposed to credit risk from its operating activities (primarily trade receivables) and from its financing activities, including deposits with banks and financial institutions, foreign exchange transactions and other financial instruments. The Group's exposure to credit risk arising from cash and cash equivalents is limited because the counterparties are banks and financial institutions with high credit-rating assigned by international credit-rating agencies, for which the Group considers to have low credit risk.

Trade receivables

Customer credit risk is managed by each business unit subject to the Group's established policy, procedures and control relating to customer credit risk management. Individual credit evaluations are performed on all customers requiring credit over a certain amount. These evaluations focus on the customer's past history of making payments when due and current ability to pay, and take into account information specific to the customer as well as pertaining to the economic environment in which the customer operates. The credit terms of trade receivables are in accordance with specific payment schedules agreed with various customers. Debtors with balances that past due are requested to settle all outstanding balances before any further credit is granted. Normally, the Group does not obtain collateral from customers.

The Group's concentration of credit risk by geographical locations is mainly in PRC, which accounted for 97% (2023: 98%) of the total trade and bills receivables as at 31 December 2024. The Group has concentration of credit risk as 37% (2023: 40%) of the total trade receivables was due from one of the Group's customers within the coal mining business segment. In order to minimise the credit risk, the management of the Group has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits and credit approvals.

The Group measures loss allowances for trade receivables at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs, which is calculated using a provision matrix. As the Group's historical credit loss experience does not indicate significantly different loss patterns for different customer segments, the loss allowance based on past due status is not further distinguished between the Group's different customer bases.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

- (c) Credit risk (Continued)
 - **Trade receivables** (Continued)

The following table provides information about the Group's exposure to credit risk for accounts receivables arising from different segments of the Group as at 31 December 2024 and 2023.

	2024			
	Expected loss	Gross carrying	Loss	
	rate	amount	allowance	
	%	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Coal mining business segment				
Current (not past due)	1.60%	7,691	123	
0–30 days past due	1.60%	10,190	163	
31–60 days past due	3.04%	658	20	
61–90 days past due	4.54%	1,057	4	
91 days–1 year past due	18.29%	60,307	11,03	
1–2 years past due	49.79%	5,208	2,59	
2–3 years past due	100%	2,701	2,70	
Over 3 years past due	100%	35,339	35,33	
Consulting and media service business				
segment				
0–30 days past due	11.11%	9		
31–60 days past due	8.21%	329	2	
61–90 days past due	16.67%	6		
91 days–1 year past due	49.55%	224	11	
1–2 years past due	100%	23	2	
Corporate and investment business				
segment				
2–3 years past due	100%	15	1	
Over 3 years past due	100%	239	23	
		123,996	52,43	

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

- (c) Credit risk (Continued)
 - Trade receivables (Continued)

		2023	
	Expected loss	Gross carrying	Los
	rate	amount	allowance
	%	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Coal mining business segment			
Current (not past due)	1.14%	14,019	160
0–30 days past due	1.15%	32,719	375
31–60 days past due	2.41%	5,109	123
61–90 days past due	3.65%	1,207	44
91 days–1 year past due	15.32%	23,806	3,646
1–2 years past due	37.27%	1,956	729
2–3 years past due	100%	2,560	2,560
Over 3 years past due	100%	36,302	36,302
Consulting and media service business			
segment			
0–30 days past due	15.52%	464	7.
61–90 days past due	15.79%	19	-
91 days–1 year past due	75.00%	4	-
1–2 years past due	100%	9	
Corporate and investment business			
segment			
Current (not past due)	10.00%	10	
1–2 years past due	100%	15	1
2–3 years past due	100%	120	12
Over 3 years past due	100%	119	11
		118,438	44,28

Expected loss rates are based on actual loss experience over the past 9 years (2023: 8 years). These rates are adjusted to reflect differences between economic conditions during the period over which the historical data has been collected, current conditions and the Group's view of economic conditions over the expected lives of the receivables.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(c) Credit risk (Continued) Trade receivables (Continued)

Movement in the loss allowance account for trade receivables during the year is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
At 1 January Net remeasurement of loss allowance Written off Exchange differences	44,281 9,057 (99) (804)	43,235 1,534
At 31 December	52,435	44,281

During the year, the increase in loss allowance of approximately HK\$9,057,000 is mainly attributed to the increase in gross amount of trade receivables past due over 91 days by approximately HK\$39,165,000.

Financial assets at FVTOCI and amortised cost

All of the Group's investments at FVTOCI and amortised cost are considered to have low credit risk, except for the trade deposits and other receivables, and the loss allowance recognised during the period was therefore limited to 12-month expected losses. Other instruments are considered to be low credit risk when they have a low risk of default and the issuer has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term.

Financial assets at amortised cost include deposits in a licensed corporation, trade deposits placed with suppliers, utilities and other deposits, transportation fee receivables and other receivables.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(c) Credit risk (Continued)

Financial assets at FVTOCI and amortised cost (*Continued*) Movement in the loss allowance for financial assets at amortised cost during the year is as follows:

		Trade				
	Deposits	deposits	Utilities and			
	in a licensed	placed with	other	Transportation	Other	
	corporation	suppliers	deposits	fee receivables	receivables	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2023	353	59,148	4	17,080	87,328	163,913
Net remeasurement of loss				,		,
allowance	(91)	(1,500)	2	_	6,037	4,448
Exchange difference			(1)	(459)	(486)	(946)
At 31 December 2023 and						
1 January 2024	262	57,648	5	16,621	92,879	167,415
Net remeasurement of loss						
allowance	27	-	9	-	12,455	12,491
Written off	—	—	_	—	(6,306)	(6,306)
Exchange difference			(1)	(545)	(828)	(1,374)
At 31 December 2024	289	57,648	13	16,076	98,200	172,226

Financial assets at FVTOCI includes unlisted debt securities. The loss allowance for debt investment at FVTOCI is recognised in profit or loss and reduces the fair value loss otherwise recognised in other comprehensive income.

Movement in the loss allowance for financial assets at FVTOCI during the year is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
At 1 January Impairment losses recognized for the year	9,500 	
At 31 December	9,500	9,500

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(d) Liquidity risk

Individual operating entities within the Group are responsible for their own cash management, including the raising of loans to cover expected cash demands, subject to approval by the Directors of the Company when the borrowing exceed certain predetermined level of authority.

The Group's policy is to regularly monitor current and expected liquidity requirements to ensure that it maintains sufficient reserves of cash to meet its liquidity requirements in the short and longer term.

The maturity analysis based on contractual undiscounted cash flows of the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities is as follows:

		Total contractual		Between	Between	
	Carrying	undiscounted	Less than	1 and	2 and	Over
	amount	cash outflow	1 year	2 years	5 years	5 years
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31 December 2024						
Trade payables	13,638	13,638	13,638	_	_	_
Other payables and accruals	526,591	613,400	446,766	15,144	45,431	106,059
Bonds payable	46,800	46,800	46,800	-	-	_
Lease liabilities	156	173	136	37	-	-
At 31 December 2023						
Trade payables	11,255	11,255	11,255	_	_	_
Other payables and accruals	378,488	480,659	292,715	15,657	46,972	125,315
Bonds payable	46,800	46,800	46,800	_	_	_
Lease liabilities	342	393	220	136	37	_

(e) Interest rate risk

The Group's exposure to interest rate risk arises from its bank deposits and borrowings. The Group's bank deposits bear interests at variable rates varied with the then prevailing market condition. The Group's borrowings bear interests at fixed interest rates and therefore are subject to fair value interest rate risks.

At 31 December 2024, if interest rates had been 50 basis points higher/lower, with all other variables held constant, consolidated profit after tax for the year would have been approximately HK\$272,000 higher/lower (2023: loss after tax for the year of HK\$28,000 lower/higher), arising mainly as a result of higher/lower interest income on bank deposits.

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6. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

(f) Categories of financial instruments at 31 December

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Financial assets		
Financial assets measured at FVTOCI	—	—
Financial assets at FVTPL:		
Mandatorily measured at FVTPL		
Held for trading	11,399	14,601
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	378,442	167,126
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	587,029	436,543
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	15,671	42,063

(g) Fair values

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets and financial liabilities as reflected in the consolidated statement of financial position approximate their respective fair values.

7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The following disclosures of fair value measurements use a fair value hierarchy that categorises into three levels the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value:

- Level 1 inputs: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Group can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs: inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 inputs: unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The Group's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of any of the three levels as of the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer.

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

(a) Disclosures of level in fair value hierarchy at 31 December:

	Fair value measur	ements using:	Total
Description	Level 1	Level 3	2024
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Recurring fair value measurements:			
Financial assets			
Financial assets at FVTPL			
Listed equity securities	11,399		11,399
Financial assets at FVTOCI			
Unlisted securities	_	_	_
offisted securities			
Total	11,399	_	11,399
Recurring fair value measurements:			
Financial liabilities			
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	871	14,800	15,671
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	Fair value measure	-	Total
Description	Level 1	Level 3	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Recurring fair value measurements:			
Financial assets			
Financial assets at FVTPL			
Listed equity securities	14,601		14,601
	<u> </u>		
Financial assets at FVTOCI			
Unlisted securities	_	_	_
	14,601	_	14,601
Total	14,001		
Total			
Total Recurring fair value measurements:			
	14,001		<u>`</u>
Recurring fair value measurements:		42,063	42,063

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

(b) Reconciliation of assets measured at fair value based on level 3:

Description	Financial assets at FVTOCI — unlisted securities HK\$'000	Financial liabilities at FVTPL HK\$'000	2024 Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2024 Total gains or losses recognised	-	42,063	42,063
in profit or loss [#]	_	(26,392)	(26,392)
Transfer out of level 3		(871)	(871)
At 31 December 2024		14,800	14,800

	Financial assets		
	at FVTOCI	Financial	
	— unlisted	liabilities at	2023
Description	securities	FVTPL	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2023 Total gains or losses recognised	10,400	35,594	45,994
in profit or loss [#]	(9,500)	6,469	(3,031)
in other comprehensive income	(900)		(900)
At 31 December 2023		42,063	42,063

Include in other gains and losses

During the year, financial liabilities at FVTPL amounting to HK\$871,000 (2023: HK\$Nil) were transferred from measurement based on level 3 to level 1 as a result of the lapsed of option in the forward sell financial assets at FVTPL.

The total gains or losses recognised in other comprehensive income are presented in fair value changes of equity investments at FVTOCI in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

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7. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

(c) Disclosure of valuation process used by the Group and valuation techniques and inputs used in fair value measurements at 31 December 2024:

The Group's financial controller is responsible for the fair value measurements of assets and liabilities required for financial reporting purposes, including level 3 fair value measurements. The financial controller reports directly to the Board of Directors for these fair value measurements. Discussions of valuation processes and results are held between the financial controller and the Board of Directors at least twice a year.

For level 3 fair value measurements, the Group will normally engage external valuation experts with the recognised professional qualifications and recent experience to perform the valuations.

Fair value Effect on fair value for Valuation Unobservable increase of Description technique inputs inputs 2024 2023 Range HK\$'000 HK\$'000 Assets/ Assets/ (Liabilities) (Liabilities) Decrease Private equity investments Discounted cash Weighted average 16% (2023: 16%) classified as financial assets at flows cost of capital **FVTOCI** Long-term revenue 0% Increase growth rate (2023: 2%) Long-term pre-tax 0% Increase (2023: (17%)operating margin (17.68%))Discount for lack of 20.4% Decrease marketability (2023: 20.6%) Financial liabilities at FVTPL Binomial option Risk-free rate 4.01% Decrease (14,800)(42,063) pricing model (2023: 3.91%and black-4.47%) scholes option pricing model Dividend yield 0% Increase (2023: 0%) 29.68% Decrease Volatility (2023: 76.61%)

Level 3 fair value measurements

During the two years, there were no changes in the valuation techniques used.

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8. **REVENUE**

Disaggregation of revenue

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

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Revenue from contracts with customers within the scope of IFRS 15		
Disaggregated by major products or service lines		
Sales of goods:		
- Production and sales of coal	1,001,765	79,175
 Provision of supply chain management services for 		
mineral business	72,045	165,539
- Mining and metallurgical machineries products	18,807	31,765
	1,092,617	276,479
Provision of services:		
— Logistics services for mineral business	8,412	12,928
— Trust and trustee services	2,215	2,709
— Event management services	5,040	3,493
— Operating of railway logistic platform	3,151	2,576
— Others	848	756
	1,112,283	298,941

Disaggregation of revenue (Continued)

The Group derives revenue from the transfer of goods and services over time and at a point in time in the following major product lines and geographical regions:

			Provision of supply chain management	f supply igement	Mining and	and												
	Production and sales of coal	and sales oal	services for mineral business		metallurgical machineries products	gical products	Logistics services for mineral business	rvices for usiness	Trust and trustee services	trustee es	Event management services		Operating of railway logistic platform	f railway atform	Others	10	Total	
For the year ended 31 December	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Primary geographical markets																		
— Hong Kong	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	2,215	2,709	5,040	3,493	I	I	595	533	7,850	6,735
PRC except Hong Kong	1,001,765	79,175	72,045	165,539	18,807	30,505	8,412	12,928	T	I	T	I	I	I	I	I	1,101,029	288,147
- Vietnam	T	I	I	I	T	1,260	T	I	T	I	T	I	I	I	I	I	I	1,260
- Others	I	I	I	1	T	I	T	I	I	I	I	I	3,151	2,576	253	223	3,404	2,799
Revenue from external customers	1,001,765	79,175	72,045	165,539	18,807	31,765	8,412	12,928	2,215	2,709	5,040	3,493	3,151	2,576	848	756	1,112,283	298,941
Timing of revenue recognition																1		
Products transferred at a point in time Products and services transferred over	1,001,765	79,175	72,045	165,539	18,807	31,765	8,412	12,928	1,851	2,345	1,824	3,063	I		475	162	1,105,179	294,977
time		I	I	Ι	T	I		Ι	364	364	3,216	430	3,151	2,576	373	594	7,104	3,964
Total	1,001,765	79,175	72,045	165,539	18,807	31,765	8,412	12,928	2,215	2,709	5,040	3,493	3,151	2,576	848	756	1,112,283	298,941

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9. INVESTMENT AND OTHER INCOME

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interest income on bank deposits	797	207
Dividend income from equity investments	400	252
Government grants <i>(note a)</i>	239	604
Rental income	963	465
Service income for coal fire extinguishment works	—	22,787
Sundry income	1,316	284
	3,715	24,599

Note a: During the year, the Group received various subsidies received from the PRC government which amounted to HK\$239,000 (equivalent to approximately RMB220,000) (2023: HK\$604,000 (equivalent to approximately RMB546,000)) respectively.

10. OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Fair value loss on financial assets at FVTPL	(4,327)	(1,279)
Fair value gain/(loss) on financial liabilities at FVTPL	26,392	(6,469)
Net foreign exchange (loss)/gains	(381)	252
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables	(21,548)	(5,982)
Impairment loss on right-of-use assets	(9,767)	(286)
Impairment loss on financial assets at FVTOCI	—	(9,500)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(1)	(27)
Impairment loss on property, plant and equipment	(13,036)	—
	(22,668)	(23,291)

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11. FINANCE COSTS

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Interests on bonds payable	4,680	5,070
Interest expenses on lease liabilities (note 19)	34	45
Interests on bank and other borrowings	4,321	3,441
Imputed interest expenses on payables for mining rights	12,414	13,023
	21,449	21,579

12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE/(CREDIT)

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Current tax — Hong Kong		
Provision for the year	8	1
Over-provision in prior years	(1,464)	(810)
	(1,456)	(809)
Current tax — PRC		
Provision for the year	7,347	—
Under-provision in prior years		31
	5,891	(778)
Current tax — Mongolia		
Provision for the year	316	261
	6,207	(517)
Deferred tax (note 33)	(3,179)	(3,233)
	3,028	(3,750)

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12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE/(CREDIT) (Continued)

Hong Kong and Mongolia Profits Tax is calculated at 16.5% and 10% respectively on the estimated assessable profit for both years.

Under the Law of the PRC Enterprise Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, has been provided at a rate of 25% for both years.

Tax charge on profits assessable elsewhere have been calculated at the rates of tax prevailing in the countries in which the Group operates, based on existing legislation, interpretation and practices in respect thereof.

The reconciliation between the income tax credit and the product of profit/(loss) before tax multiplied by the Hong Kong Profits Tax rate is as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Profit/(loss) before tax	14,421	(31,731)
Tax at the domestic income tax rate of 16.5% (2023:16.5%) Tax effect of income that is not taxable Tax effect of expenses that are not deductible Tax effect of tax loss not recognised Tax effect of utilisation of tax losses not previously recognised Tax effect of temporary differences not recognised	2,379 (5,102) 19,968 6,502 (16,828) (2,629)	(5,236) (1,421) 17,800 3,690 (16,151) (2,345)
Effect of different tax rates of subsidiaries operating in other jurisdictions Over-provision in prior years Income tax expense/(credit)	202 (1,464) 3,028	692 (779) (3,750)

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13. PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR

The Group's profit/(loss) for the year is stated after charging/(crediting) the following:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
		• • • •
Auditor's remuneration		
— Audit services	2,900	2,900
Cost of inventories sold	849,654	205,006
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	3,826	3,297
Amortisation of intangible assets		
(included in administrative and other operating expenses)	10,111	10,287
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	1	27
Fair value loss on financial assets at FVTPL	4,327	1,279
Fair value (gain)/loss on financial liabilities at FVTPL	(26,392)	6,469
Impairment loss on trade and other receivables	21,548	5,982
Impairment loss on financial assets at FVTOCI	—	9,500
Impairment losses on property, plant and equipment	13,036	—
Impairment losses on right-of-use assets	9,767	286
Net exchange loss/(gain)	381	(252)

14. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSE

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$′000
Employee benefits expense: — Salaries, bonuses and allowances — Retirement benefit scheme contributions	30,546 312	22,855 311
	30,858	23,166

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14. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS EXPENSE (Continued)

Five highest paid individuals

The five highest paid individuals in the Group during the year included two (2023: one) directors and one (2023: one) chief executive officer whom emoluments are reflected in the analysis presented in note 15(a). The emoluments of the remaining two (2023: three) individuals are set out below:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Basic salaries, bonuses, allowances and benefits in kind Retirement benefits scheme contributions	1,740 36	2,674 54
	1,776	2,728

The emoluments fell within the following bands:

	2024	2023
HK\$Nil to HK\$1,000,000	2	3

During the year, no emoluments were paid by the Group to any of the directors or the five highest paid individuals as an inducement to join or upon joining the Group or as compensation for loss of office (2023: HK\$Nil).

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15. BENEFITS AND INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

(a) Directors' and senior management's emoluments

The remuneration of every directors and senior management is set out below:

	person's serv	Emoluments paid or receivable in respect of a person's services as a director and chief executive officer, whether of the Company or its subsidiary undertaking					
	Fees HK\$'000	Salaries HK\$'000	Discretionary bonus HK\$'000	Employer's contribution to a retirement benefit scheme HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000		
For the year ended 31 December 2024							
Executive directors:							
CHAN Nap Kee, Joseph	_	4,174	—	18	4,192		
YANG Yongcheng	-	720	-	18	738		
Independent non-executive directors:							
LIEW Swee Yean <i>(note (i))</i>	147	_	_	_	147		
Dr. WONG Yun Kuen (note (ii))	112	_	_	_	112		
Wu Zheng <i>(note (i))</i>	147	-	-	-	147		
Chief Executive Officers:							
Chen Chun Long	_	2,084	97	18	2,199		
Ching Ho Tung Philips	_	600	50	18	668		
	406	7,578	147	72	8,203		
For the year ended 31 December 2023							
Executive directors:							
CHAN Nap Kee, Joseph	_	3,000	_	18	3,018		
YANG Yongcheng	—	729	—	3	732		
Independent non-executive directors:							
LIEW Swee Yean	151	_	_	_	151		
Dr. WONG Yun Kuen	151	_	_	_	151		
Wu Zheng	151	_	_	_	151		
Chief Executive Officers:							
Chen Chun Long	_	1,119	—	18	1,137		
Ching Ho Tung Philips		600	50	18	668		
	453	5,448	50	57	6,008		
	155	5,.10	50	57	3,300		

Neither the chief executive officers nor any of the directors waived any emoluments during the year (2023: HK\$Nil).

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15. BENEFITS AND INTERESTS OF DIRECTORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT *(Continued)*

- (a) Directors' and senior management's emoluments (Continued) Note:
 - (i) Resigned on 20 December 2024
 - (ii) Resigned on 27 September 2024

(b) Directors' material interests in transactions, arrangements or contracts

No significant transactions, arrangements and contracts in relation to the Group's business to which the Company was a party and in which a director of the Company and the director's connected party had a material interest, whether directly or indirectly, subsisted at the end of the year or at any time during the year.

16. DIVIDEND

No dividend has been paid or declared by the Company for the years ended 31 December 2024 and 2023.

17. EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE

The calculation of the basic earnings/(loss) per share is based on the following:

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Profit/(loss) for the purpose of calculating basic earnings/(loss) per share	8,878	(31,890)
	2024	2023
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic earnings/(loss) per share	578,724,208	578,724,208

No diluted earnings/(loss) per share is presented as the Company did not have any dilutive potential ordinary shares during the years ended 31 December 2023 and 2024.

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18. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Railway logistic platform	Buildings	Leasehold improvements	Plant and machinery	Office equipment	Furniture and fixtures	Motor vehicles	Construction in progress	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Cost									
At 1 January 2023	30,003	6,860	7,381	6,928	1,326	115	4,794	2,827	60,234
Additions			2,665	13	92	3	134	5,617	8,524
Disposals	_	_		(24)		_	(55)		(79)
Transferred	_	_	2,766		_	_		(2,766)	
Exchange differences		(184)	(227)	(186)	(25)	(2)	(130)	(91)	(845)
At 31 December 2023 and									
1 January 2024	30,003	6,676	12,585	6,731	1,393	116	4,743	5,587	67,834
Additions		593	29	451	123	_	5,920	52,100	59,216
Disposals	_	_	_	_	_	_	(259)		(259)
Transferred	_	_	_	_	_	_		_	
Exchange differences		(219)	(413)	(230)	(37)	(3)	(276)	(1,291)	(2,469)
At 31 December 2024	30,003	7,050	12,201	6,952	1,479	113	10,128	56,396	124,322
Accumulated depreciation and	d								
impairment losses									
At 1 January 2023	8,369	6,178	1,488	3,552	1,013	108	1,224	_	21,932
Charge for the year	2,219	82	343	208	76	3	366	_	3,297
Disposals	_	_	_	(23)	_	_	(29)	_	(52)
Exchange differences		(167)	(41)	(92)	(19)	(1)	(35)		(355)
At 31 December 2023 and									
1 January 2024	10,588	6,093	1,790	3,645	1,070	110	1,526	_	24,822
Charge for the year	2,219	105	472	198	108	3	721	_	3,826
Disposals	_	_	_	_	_	_	(246)	_	(246)
Impairment losses	_	_	7,634	2,531	_	2	2,869	_	13,036
Exchange differences		(201)	(230)	(178)	(26)	(3)	(121)		(759)
At 31 December 2024	12,807	5,997	9,666	6,196	1,152	112	4,749		40,679
Carrying amount									
At 31 December 2024	17,196	1,053	2,535	756	327	1	5,379	56,396	83,643
At 31 December 2023	19,415	583	10,795	3,086	323	6	3,217	5,587	43,012

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18. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Continued)

In a view of the operating losses suffered in a subsidiary of the Company, 山東凱萊能源物流有限公司for the year ended 31 December 2024, the management considered that certain property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets as set out in note 18 and 19 to the consolidated financial statements attributable to the coal mining business segment may be impaired as at 31 December 2024. The directors carried out an impairment assessment on property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets of the subsidiary with carrying amounts of HK\$13,036,000 and HK\$9,767,000 respectively as at 31 December 2024 and determined that full impairment of the assets should been recognised in profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2024. The recoverable amount of these property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets has been determined on the basis of their value in use using discounted cash flow method based on financial budgets approved by the directors covering a five-year period. A pre-tax discount rate of 3.6% was adopted in the assessments of their value in use.

19. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

	Leasehold lands HK\$'000	Leased properties HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
At 1 January 2023	11,356	737	12,093
Depreciation	(504)	(710)	(1,214)
Lease modification		362	362
Impairment	_	(286)	(286)
Exchange differences	(301)	(18)	(319)
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024	10,551	85	10,636
Depreciation	(496)	(81)	(577)
Impairment	(9,767)	—	(9,767)
Exchange differences	(126)	(4)	(130)
At 31 December 2024	162		162

Lease liabilities of approximately HK\$156,000 (2023: HK\$342,000) are recognised with related right-of-use assets of HK\$162,000 as at 31 December 2024 (2023: HK\$10,636,000). The lease agreements do not impose any covenants other than the security interests in the leased assets that are held by the lessor. Leased assets may not be used a security for borrowings purposes.

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19. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (Continued)

During the year, impairment losses of right-of-use assets attributed to the coal mining business segment amounted to approximately HK\$9,767,000 was recognized. The assessments by the management are disclosed in note 18 to the consolidated financial statements.

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Depreciation expenses on right-of-use assets	577	1,214
Interest expense on lease liabilities (included in finance costs)	34	45
Expenses relating to short-term lease (included in cost of goods sold		
and administrative expenses)	1,222	2,623

Details of total cash outflow for leases are set out in note 39(b).

For both years, the Group leases various offices and factories for its operations. Lease contracts are entered into for fixed term of 2 to 13 years (2023: 2 to 13 years). Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. 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.

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20. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Mining rights HK\$'000
Cost	
At 1 January 2023	339,095
Exchange differences	(9,116)
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024	329,979
Exchange differences	(10,826)
At 31 December 2024	319,153
Accumulated amortisation and impairment losses	
At 1 January 2023	60,529
Amortisation for the year	10,287
Exchange differences	(1,682)
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024	69,134
Amortisation for the year	10,111
Exchange differences	(2,483)
At 31 December 2024	76,762
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2024	242,391
At 31 December 2023	260,845

At 31 December 2023 and 2024, the Group's mining rights represent the rights for production and exploitation of a coal mine in Xinjiang, PRC. The major content of the coal mine is long-flame coal. The mining rights are stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses over the estimated useful lives of mining rights.

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21. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTOCI

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Unlisted equity securities in the British Virgin Islands 9% redeemable preference shares		

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets at FVTOCI were denominated in HK\$.

Equity securities which are not held for trading and which the Group has irrevocably elected at initial recognition to recognise in this category. These are strategic investments and the Group considers this classification to be more relevant.

22. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FVTPL

	2024	2023
	НК\$'000	HK\$'000
Equity securities, at fair value		
Listed in Hong Kong	11,399	14,601

The carrying amounts of the above financial assets are classified as follows:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Held for trading	11,399	14,601

The carrying amounts of the above financial assets are mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss in accordance with IFRS 9.

The investments included above represent investments in listed equity securities that offer the Group the opportunity for return through dividend income and fair value gains. They have no fixed maturity or coupon rate.

The fair values of listed securities are based on current bid prices.

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23. INVENTORIES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Raw materials, consumable goods and spare parts	169	1,455
Work in progress	314	366
Finished goods	5,386	1,962
	5,869	3,783

24. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

	2024	2023
	НК\$′000	HK\$'000
Trade receivables	123,996	118,438
Allowance for doubtful debts	(52,435)	(44,281)
	71,561	74,157
Bills receivables	4,627	—
	76,188	74,157

The credit terms of trade receivables are in accordance with specific payment schedules agreed with various customers.

An ageing analysis of trade receivables, based on the invoice date is as follows:

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
0–30 days	20,670	44,304
31-60 days	2,510	9,779
61–90 days	331	2,842
91–365 days	58,340	21,704
Over 1 year	42,145	39,809
	123,996	118,438

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24. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (Continued)

The carrying amounts of the Group's trade and bills receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
HK\$	429	420
RMB	74,012	73,001
US\$	1,747	736
	76,188	74,157

25. DEPOSITS, PREPAYMENTS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2024 HK\$′000	2023 HK\$′000
Utilities and other deposits	1,310	577
Prepayments	1,837	17,622
Other receivables	205,549	57,303
	208,696	75,502

The carrying amounts of the Group's deposits, prepayments and other receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
HK\$	940	647
RMB	207,496	74,407
US\$	260	443
Others	—	5
	208,696	75,502

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26. BANK AND CASH BALANCES

As at 31 December 2024, the bank and cash balances of the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC denominated in RMB amounted to approximately HK\$65,593,000 (2023: HK\$6,175,000). Conversion of RMB into foreign currencies is subject to the PRC's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations.

27. TRADE PAYABLES

An ageing analysis of trade payables, based on the date of receipt of goods, is as follows:

	2024	2023
	НК\$'000	HK\$'000
0–30 days	6,023	2,309
31–60 days	873	1,494
61–90 days	853	2,159
91–180 days	5,380	4,519
181–365 days	-	771
Over 365 days	509	3
	13,638	11,255

The carrying amounts of the Group's trade payables are denominated in RMB.

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28. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	2024	2023
	НК\$′000	HK\$'000
Accruals	18,727	20,101
Other payables (note (i))	352,661	204,008
Amounts due to directors (note (ii))	59,026	51,845
Payables for mining rights (note (iii))	96,177	102,534
	526,591	378,488
	2024	2023
	НК\$'000	HK\$'000
Analysed as:		
Current liabilities	433,841	279,049
Non-current liabilities	92,750	99,439
	526,591	378,488

Notes:

- (i) Included in other payables, are balances due to a chief executive officer with principal amounts of HK\$14,212,000 (equivalent to RMB13,355,000) (2023: HK\$14,694,000 (equivalent to RMB13,355,000)), which are unsecured, bearing interest rates of ranging from 12% per annum to 24% per annum to 24% per annum (2023: ranging from 12% per annum to 24% per annum) and repayable on the respective maturity dates in 2025.
- (ii) The amounts due to directors are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.
- (iii) The payables for mining rights represent the unpaid balances of the considerations for purchasing mining rights. According to the relevant purchase agreement, considerations are paid by 15 instalments from 2022 to 2036. The carrying amount is determined based on the present value of the future cash flows stated in the relevant purchase agreement using the effective interest rate of 14.46% per annum.

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29. CONTRACT LIABILITIES

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Billings in advance of performance obligations:		
Sales of goods		
- Provision of supply chain management services for		
mineral business	387	834
 Mining and metallurgical machineries products 	—	1,760
— Sales of coal	128,027	51,089
Provision of services		
— Corporate services business	30	10
— Trust and trustee services	303	303
— Rental services	203	—
	128,950	53,996

Contract liabilities represented the advance from customers for sales of goods and provision of services. The payment terms vary and depend on the terms of contracts. These advances are recognised as contract liabilities until the performance obligations are completed.

The increase in contract liabilities as at 31 December 2024 was mainly due to increase in the receipt of advance payment for sales of coal before the relevant performance obligations are fulfilled.

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29. CONTRACT LIABILITIES (Continued)

Movements in contract liabilities:

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Balance at beginning of year	53,996	44,117
Increase in contract liabilities as a result of billing in advance	333	313
Decrease in contract liabilities as a result of recognising revenue during		
the year was included in the contract liabilities at the beginning of		
the period	(52,222)	(1,422)
Increase in contract liabilities as a result of advance payments received		
from customers	128,604	42,297
Decrease in contract liabilities as a result of refund to customers	—	(30,137)
Exchange differences	(1,761)	(1,172)
Balance at end of year	128,950	53,996

30. BONDS PAYABLE

On 24 August 2018, the Company issued the straight bonds, with the principal amount of HK\$50,000,000 (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are unsecured, interest-bearing of 8% per annum and repayable on 23 August 2020.

During the year ended 31 December 2020, a supplementary agreement was entered by the Company and holder of the Bonds in which the repayment date of the Bonds was extended to 23 August 2021 and the interest rate had been increased from 8% per annum to 10% per annum.

The Company failed to repay the Bonds and the accrued interest on maturity which led to an event of default for the Bonds by the Company. The Company commenced negotiations with the holders of the Bonds and a deed of novation (the "First Deed") was entered on 29 June 2022 between the holder of the Bonds and the Company. Pursuant to the First Deed, the holder of the Bonds agreed to waive the claim of principal of HK\$3,200,000 and accrued interest of approximately HK\$16,778,000 so as to exchange the right and title of debts of approximately HK\$19,978,000 owed to the Company by a third party. Accordingly, the principal of the Bonds and accrued interest of HK\$3,200,000 and HK\$16,778,000 respectively were settled by offsetting the other receivables of the Group of HK\$19,978,000 during the year ended 31 December 2022.

On 28 November 2024, a deed of settlement (the "Second Deed") was entered between the holder of the Bonds and the Company. Pursuant to the Second Deed, the holder of the Bonds agreed to cease the accrual of interest in the Bonds effective from 1 January 2025 and fix the overall liability of the Bonds to be the total outstanding principal sum of HK\$46,800,000 plus accrued interest of HK\$11,750,000 up to 31 December 2024; and the Bonds would be repaid by the Company in eleven installments. The first ten installments of HK\$5,000,000 each are due on the last day of each month from December 2024 to September 2025 and the final installment of HK\$8,550,000 is due on 31 October 2025.

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30. BONDS PAYABLE (Continued)

The Company has settled the first installment of the Bonds on 16 January 2025 and failed to repay the second to fourth installment on time that have led to an event of default in accordance with the Second Deed.

The Company continues the negotiations with the holder of the Bonds to extend the repayment date of the Bonds and accrued interest and the negotiations have not yet been concluded as at the date of this report.

31. OTHER FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

	2024	2023
	НК\$′000	HK\$'000
Financial liabilities at FVTPL	15,671	42,063
		,
	2024	2023
	НК\$'000	HK\$'000
Analysed as:		
Current liabilities	15,671	30,337
Non-current liabilities		11,726
	15,671	42,063

On 18 April 2018 and 28 January 2019, the Group entered into agreements with a third party to forward sell financial assets at FVTPL at considerations of approximately HK\$30,000,000 (the "Shares A") and HK\$13,000,000 (the "Shares B") respectively. The completion dates of the transactions to take place on dates falling 2 years from the dates of signing the agreements. The Group also granted options to the third party to sell back the Shares A and the Shares B at prices of HK\$3.41 per share and HK\$2.80 per share by amounts of approximately HK\$33,000,000 and HK\$15,079,000 respectively to the Group on the completion dates of the transactions.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group entered into an extension agreement with the third party to extend the completion date of Shares A for two years to 18 April 2024. Other terms and conditions as set out in the agreement of Shares A remain unchanged. The agreement was expired during the year ended 31 December 2024 and the settlement was in process as at 31 December 2024.

During the year ended 31 December 2023, an agreement was entered by the Group with the third party to extend the completion date of Share B for two years to 27 January 2025. Other terms and conditions as set out in the agreement of Shares B remain unchanged.

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32. LEASE LIABILITIES

	Minimum lea	se payments	Present value of minimun lease payments		
	2024	2023	2024	2023	
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	
Within one year	136	220	125	186	
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	37	173	31	156	
Over 5 years					
	173	393	156	342	
Less: Future finance charges	(17)	(51)	<u>N/A</u>	N/A	
Present value of lease obligations	156	342	156	342	
Less: Amount due for settlement within					
12 months (shown under current					
liabilities)			(125)	(186)	
Amount due for settlement after 12 months			31	156	

The incremental borrowing rates applied to lease liabilities are ranging from 12.96% to 20.82% (2023: 12.96% to 20.82%).

The Group's lease liabilities are denominated in the following currencies:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
HK\$ US\$	115 41	294 48
	156	342

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33. DEFERRED TAX

The following are the deferred tax assets/(liabilities) recognised by the Group.

At 1 January 2023 Credit to profit or loss for the year <i>(note 12)</i>	mining rights HK\$'000 (25,958) 3,022	Financial assets at FVTPL HK\$'000 8,311 211	Total HK\$'000 (17,647) 3,233
Exchange differences	682		682
At 31 December 2023 and 1 January 2024	(22,254)	8,522	(13,732)
Credit to profit or loss for the year (note 12)	2,465	714	3,179
Exchange differences	678		678
At 31 December 2024	(19,111)	9,236	(9,875)

The following is the analysis of the deferred tax balances (after offset) for consolidated statement of financial position purposes:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Deferred tax liabilities Deferred tax assets	(19,111) 9,236	(22,254) 8,522
	(9,875)	(13,732)

At the end of the reporting period, the Group has unused tax losses of approximately HK\$308,188,000 (2023: HK\$316,614,000) available for offset against future profits. No deferred tax asset has been recognised due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. Included in unrecognised tax losses are losses of approximately HK\$3,000, HK\$9,000, HK\$1,632,000, HK\$1,000 and HK\$12,681,000 that will expire in 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 (2023: HK\$3,304,000, HK\$21,825,000, HK\$7,409,000, HK\$2,371,000 that will expire in 2025, 2026, 2027, 2026, 2027 and 2028) respectively. Remaining tax losses may be carried forward indefinitely.

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34. SHARE CAPITAL

	Number of shares '000	Amount HK\$'000
Authorised:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each		
At 1 January 2023, 31 December 2023,		
1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	5,000,000	500,000
Issued and fully paid:		
Ordinary shares of HK\$0.1 each		
At 1 January 2023	576,566	57,657
Issue of remuneration shares (note)	6,850	685
At 31 December 2023, 1 January 2024 and		
31 December 2024	583,416	58,342

Note: On 7 June 2023, the Company issued 6,849,789 shares to a professional party at an issue price of HK\$0.219 per share for settling the outstanding legal advisory services fees of approximately HK\$1,500,000. The premium on the issue of shares amounting to approximately HK\$815,000 was credited to the Company's share premium account.

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maximise the return to the shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance.

The Group sets the amount of capital in proportion to risk. The Group manages the capital structure and makes adjustments to it in the light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the payment of dividends, issue new shares, buy-back shares, raise new debts, redeem existing debts or sell assets to reduce debts.

The Group monitors capital on the basis of the shareholders equity ratio. This ratio is calculated as total share equity divided by total asset. Total share equity comprises share capital, retained profits and other reserves.

The only externally imposed capital requirement for the Group is in order to maintain its listing on the Stock Exchange it has to have a public float of at least 25% of the shares.

The Group receives a report from the share registrars monthly on substantial share interests showing the non-public float and it demonstrates continuing compliance with the 25% limit throughout the year. As at 31 December 2024, 57.28% (2023: 57.28%) of the shares were in public hands.

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35. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVE MOVEMENT OF THE COMPANY

(a) Statement of financial position of the Company

	Note	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Non-current assets Investments in subsidiaries Deferred tax assets		1,000 9,236	1,000 8,522
		10,236	9,522
Current assets Financial assets at FVTPL Deposits, prepayments and other receivables Amounts due from subsidiaries Deposits in a licensed corporation Bank and cash balances		11,399 157 225 24,619 913	14,601 35 288 25,182 681
		37,313	40,787
Current liabilities Other payables and accruals Amounts due to subsidiaries Amounts due to a director Bonds payable Other financial liabilities		22,817 8,127 52,962 46,800 15,671	19,672 8,181 45,632 46,800 30,337
		146,377	150,622
Net current liabilities		(109,064)	(109,835)
Total assets less current liabilities		(98,828)	(100,313)
Non-current liabilities Other financial liabilities			11,726
			11,726
NET LIABILITIES		(98,828)	(112,039)
CAPITAL AND RESERVES Share capital Reserves	35(b)	58,342 (157,170)	58,342 (170,381)
CAPITAL DEFICIENCY		(98,828)	(112,039)

Approved by the Board of Directors on 31 March 2025 and are signed on its behalf by:

CHAN Nap Kee, Joseph

YANG Yongcheng

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35. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESERVE MOVEMENT OF THE COMPANY (*Continued*)

(b) Reserve movement of the Company

		Shares held under share		
	Share	award		
	premium	scheme	Accumulated	
	(note 36(b)(i))	(note 37)	losses	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 1 January 2023	1,361,095	(3,371)	(1,504,010)	(146,286)
Loss for the year	—	—	(24,910)	(24,910)
Issue of remuneration share	815			815
At 31 December 2023 and				
	4.254.040		(4 530 030)	(470.204)
1 January 2024	1,361,910	(3,371)	(1,528,920)	(170,381)
Profit for the year			13,211	13,211
At 31 December 2024	1,361,910	(3,371)	(1,515,709)	(157,170)

36. RESERVES

(a) Group

The amounts of the Group's reserves and movements therein are presented in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income and consolidated statement of changes in equity.

(b) Nature and purpose of reserves

(i) Share premium

Under the Companies Law of the Cayman Islands, the funds in the share premium of the Company are distributable to the shareholders of the Company provided that immediately following the date on which the dividend is proposed to be distributed, the Company will be in a position to pay off its debts as they fall due in the ordinary course of business.

(ii) Foreign currency translation reserve

The foreign currency translation reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statements of foreign operations. The reserve is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policy set out in note 4(c) to the consolidated financial statements.

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36. RESERVES (Continued)

- (b) Nature and purpose of reserves (Continued)
 - (iii) Financial assets at FVTOCI reserve

The financial assets at FVTOCI reserve comprises the cumulative net change in the fair value of financial assets at FVTOCI held at the end of the reporting period and is dealt with in accordance with the accounting policy in note 4(k) to the consolidated financial statements.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

(a) Share award schemes

On 14 June 2016, the Company adopted a share award scheme (the "Share Award Scheme") under which shares of the Company may be awarded to selected employees (including without limitation any directors) of any members of the Group pursuant to the terms of the scheme rules and trust deed of the Share Award Scheme. The purpose of the Share Award Scheme are (i) to recognise the contributions by certain employees of any members of the Group and to provide them with incentives in order to retain them for the continual operation and development of the Group; and (ii) to attract suitable personnel for further development of the Group. The Share Award Scheme became effective on the adoption date and, unless otherwise terminated or amended, shall be valid and effective for a term of 5 years commencing from the date of the Share Award Scheme.

The Share Award Scheme was expired on 13 June 2021. There were approximately 13,610,000 (2023: 13,610,000) shares held under the Share Award Scheme amounting to approximately HK\$3,371,000 (2023: HK\$3,371,000) as at 31 December 2024.

On 14 July 2023, a new share award scheme ("New Share Award Scheme") was adopted by the Company. The Company is in the process of transferring the shares in the Share Award Scheme to the New Share Award Scheme.

The purpose of the New Share Award Scheme is to recognise the contribution or future contribution of the directors and full-time or part-time employees or any members of the Group for their contribution to the Group, and provide the eligible participants with an opportunity to obtain a proprietary interest in the Company, to provide incentives to the eligible participants to continue contributing to the Company, and enable the Company to attract, recruit, and motivate high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Company.

Shares of the Company awarded under the New Share Award Scheme will not result in aggregate exceeding 10% of the issued share capital of the Company in number from time to time. The maximum aggregate shares of the Company awarded under the New Share Award Scheme in the twelve-month period up to and including the date of such award shall not exceed 1% of the issued share capital of the Company.

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37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (Continued)

(a) Share award schemes (Continued)

Subject to the terms of the New Share Award Scheme, the Board shall be entitled at any time within 10 years from the adoption date of the New Share Award Scheme to offer the grant of a awarded shares to any eligible participant as the Board may in its absolute discretion select to subscribe at the subscription price for such number of awarded shares as the Board may determine.

The minimum vesting period in respect of any awarded shares is twelve months, and the Board or the remuneration committee or the committee (if authorised by the Board) shall have the authority to determine a shorter vesting period in accordance with the terms and conditions of the scheme rules.

The New Share Award Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years from 14 July 2023, i.e. until 13 July 2033. For details of the New Share Award Scheme, please refer to the Company's circular dated 21 June 2023.

No awarded shares was granted under the New Share Award Scheme during the years ended 31 December 2024 and 2023.

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37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (Continued)

(b) Share option scheme

On 14 July 2023, the Company adopted a share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme").

The purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to recognise the contribution or future contribution of the directors and full-time or part-time employees or any members of the Group for their contribution to the Group, and provide the eligible participants with an opportunity to obtain a proprietary interest in the Company, to provide incentives to the eligible participants to continue contributing to the Company, and enable the Company to attract, recruit, and motivate high-calibre employees and attract human resources that are valuable to the Company.

No share options may be granted to any person such that the total number of shares issued and to be issued upon exercise of share options and other scheme options and awards granted and to be granted to that person in any 12-month period exceeds 1% of any relevant class of the Company's issued share capital from time to time (the "1% Individual Limit"). Any further grant of share options in excess of the 1% Individual Limit is subject to shareholders' approval in a general meeting with such grantee and his/her associates abstaining from voting.

Where any grant of share options to a substantial shareholder (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) or an independent non-executive director of the Company, or any of their respective associates, would result in the securities issued and to be issued upon exercise of all share options already granted and to be granted (excluding share options lapsed in accordance with the scheme rules) to such person in the 12-month period up to and including the date of such grant representing in aggregate over 0.1% of the relevant class of securities in issue, such further grant of share options is subject to Shareholders' approval in a general meeting with such grantee and his/her associates and all core connected persons (as defined in the GEM Listing Rules) of the Company abstaining from voting.

Subject to the terms of the Share Option Scheme, the Board shall be entitled at any time within 10 years from the adoption date of the Share Option Scheme to offer the grant of a share option to any eligible participant as the Board may in its absolute discretion select to subscribe at the subscription price for such number of shares as the Board may (subject to the terms of the Share Option Scheme) determine.

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37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (Continued)

(b) Share option scheme (Continued)

The exercise of any share option may be subject to a vesting period to be determined by the Board in its absolute discretion. In any event, the vesting period for a share option under the Share Option Scheme shall not be less than 12 months, except that the share options granted to eligible participants may be less than 12 months under the following specific circumstances.

- (a) grants of make-whole share options to eligible participants who newly joined the Group to replace the share options or awards they forfeited when leaving the previous employer;
- (b) grants of share options with specific and objective performance-based vesting conditions provided in the rules of the Share Option Scheme;
- (c) grants that are made in batches during a year for administrative or compliance reasons (which may include share options that should have been granted earlier but had to wait for a subsequent batch. In such cases, the vesting periods may be shorter to reflect the time from which a share option would have been granted);
- (d) grants of share options with a mixed or accelerated vesting schedule such as where the share option may vest evenly over a period of twelve months; and
- (e) grants of share options with a total vesting and holding period of more than twelve months.

The exercise price shall be a price determined by the Board and notified to a eligible participant and shall be at least the higher of:

- (a) the closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheet on the grant date, which must be a business day; and
- (b) the average closing price of the shares as stated in the Stock Exchange's daily quotations sheets for the five business days immediately preceding the grant date.

The Share Option Scheme shall be valid and effective for a period of 10 years from 14 July 2023, i.e. until 13 July 2033. For details of the Share Option Scheme, please refer to the Company's circular dated 21 June 2023.

No share was granted under Share Option Scheme during the years ended 31 December 2024 and 2023.

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38. SUBSIDIARIES

Particulars of subsidiaries as at 31 December 2024 are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and operation/form of legal entity	lssued and fully paid share capital/ registration capital	Proportion of ownership interest			Principal activities	
			Group's Effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by subsidiaries		
Kaisun Energy Group Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
Kaisun Collateral Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
Kaisun Business Solutions Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
Kaisun Energy Management Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
KEG Corporate Services Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Provision of corporate services	
Allied Global Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
West Channel Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
Asia Coast International Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
Gold Victoria Investments Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	100%	_	Investment holding	
Kaisun Business Solution (HK) Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$100 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Provision of consultir services	
Kaisun Energy Managers Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding	
Kaisun Energy Corporation	Anguilla, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding	
World Dynasty Holdings Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding	
Pineapple Media Limited		717,954 Ordinary shares of US\$1 each	100%	_	100%	Investment holding	
Anway Enterprises Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding	
Goodstar Development Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding	

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38. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and operation/form of legal entity	lssued and fully paid share capital/ registration capital		on of ownersh	ip interest	Principal activities
			Group's Effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by subsidiaries	
Wealth Platinum Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding
Kaisun Esports Limited	British Virgin Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding
Kaisun Energy Managers (Cayman Islands) Limited	Cayman Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Not yet commenced business
新疆凱運國際貿易 有限公司	PRC, limited liability company	Registered and paid up capital RMB10,000,000	100%	_	100%	Provision of supply chain management services
深圳凱順鴻欣貿易 有限公司	PRC, limited liability company	Registered and paid up capital RMB500,000	100%	_	100%	Provision of supply chain management services
滕州凱源賓業有限公司	PRC, limited liability company	Registered capital HK\$100,000,000 Paid up capital HK\$32,098,768	88.70%	_	100%	Manufacturing of coal mining related equipment
山東凱萊能源物流 有限公司	PRC, limited liability company	Registered capital HK\$200,000,000 Paid up capital HK\$117,068,530	79.95%	_	79.95%	Provision of supply chain management services
新疆吐魯番星亮礦業 有限公司	PRC, limited liability company	Registered capital RMB100,000,000 Paid up capital RMB42,350,000	79.95%	_	100%	Production and exploitation of coal and coal processing
山東順江能源貿易 有限公司	PRC, limited liability company	Registered capital RMB50,000,000 Paid up capital RMB5,336,000	42.49%	_	53.15%	Not yet commenced business
People's Communication & Consultant Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$2,862,010 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Advertising & public relationship event
Evoloop Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$10,008,941 Ordinary	59.57%	_	59.57%	Organizing E-Sport events

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38. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ registration and operation/form of legal entity	lssued and fully paid share capital/ registration capital	Proportion of ownership interest Group's			Principal activities
			Effective interest	Held by the Company	Held by subsidiaries	
Girlgamer Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$10,000 Ordinary	59.57%	_	100%	Organizing E-Sport events
Kaisun Energy Logistic Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding
Kaisun Energy Equipment Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding
Kaisun Energy Trading Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$10,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Provision of supply chain management
Kaisun Trust & Trustee Services Company Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$3,000,000 Ordinary	100%	20%	100%	Provision of trust and trustee services
Kaisun Consulting Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$3,000,000 Ordinary	100%	—	100%	Provision of consulting services
Kaisun Trust and Corporate Services Limited	Hong Kong, limited liability company	HK\$3,000,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Provision of trust and trustee services
Zodiac Capital Cayman Limited	Cayman Islands, limited liability company	US\$1 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Not yet commenced business
Double Up Group Limited	Samoa, limited liability company	US\$100 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Investment holding
Khos Khulug LLC	Mongolia, limited liability company	MNT200,562,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Construction and operation of a railway logistic platform
Choir Logistic Service LLC	Mongolia, limited liability company	MNT196,676,000 Ordinary	100%	_	100%	Construction and operation of a railway logistic platform

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38. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

The following tables show information of subsidiaries that have non-controlling interests ("NCI") material to the Group. The summarised financial information represents amounts before inter-company eliminations.

	新疆吐魯番星亮礦業有限公司		
	2024	2023	
Principal place of business and country of incorporation	PRC		
% of ownership interests and voting rights held by NCI	20.05%	20.05%	
	НК\$′000	HK\$'000	
At 31 December:			
Non-current assets	330,259	285,903	
Current assets	355,611	114,527	
Non-current liabilities	(92,750)	(99,439)	
Current liabilities	(446,302)	(210,743)	
Net assets	146,818	90,248	
Accumulated NCI	29,437	18,095	
Year ended 31 December:			
Revenue	1,021,810	117,772	
Profit for the year	60,823	20,471	
Total comprehensive income	60,823	20,471	
Profit allocated to NCI	12,195	4,104	
Dividends paid to NCI			
Net cash generated from operating activities	127,610	24,762	
Net cash used in investing activities	(65,520)	(21,561)	
Effect on foreign exchange rate changes	(1,652)	(246)	
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	60,438	2,955	

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38. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	滕州凱源實業有限公司	
	2024	2023
Principal place of business and country of incorporation	PRC	
% of ownership interests and voting rights held by NCI	11.30%	11.30%
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31 December:		
Non-current assets	1,439	961
Current assets	32,429	30,899
Current liabilities	(34,167)	(25,820
Net (liabilities)/assets	(299)	6,040
Accumulated NCI	(34)	683
Year ended 31 December:		
Revenue	18,807	31,764
(Loss)/profit for the year	(6,274)	1,564
Total comprehensive income	(6,274)	1,564
(Loss)/profit allocated to NCI	(709)	177
Dividends paid to NCI		
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities	1,079	(238
Net cash used in investing activities	(824)	(12)
Net cash used in financing activities	—	(627)
Effect on foreign exchange rate changes	(10)	906
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	245	29

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38. SUBSIDIARIES (Continued)

	山東凱萊能源物滋	充有限公司
	2024	2023
Principal place of business and country of incorporation	PRC	
% of ownership interests and voting rights held by NCI	20.05%	20.05%
	НК\$'000	HK\$'000
At 31 December:		
Non-current assets	64,650	90,670
Current assets	18,924	36,617
Current liabilities	(44,575)	(42,308)
Net assets	38,999	84,979
Accumulated NCI	7,819	17,038
Year ended 31 December:		
Revenue	75,930	139,863
Loss for the year	(44,130)	(1,354)
Total comprehensive income	(44,130)	(1,354)
Loss allocated to NCI	(8,848)	(271)
Dividends paid to NCI		
Net cash (used in)/generated from operating activities	(748)	3,862
Net cash used in investing activities	(453)	(2,599)
Net cash generated from financing activities	_	780
Effect on foreign exchange rate changes	(62)	(73)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,263)	1,970

As at 31 December 2024, the bank and cash balances of the Group's subsidiaries in the PRC denominated in RMB amounted to approximately HK\$65,591,000 (2023: HK\$6,173,000). Conversion of RMB into foreign currencies is subject to the PRC's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations.

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39. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(a) 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.

	1 January 2024 HK\$'000	Modification of lease liabilities HK\$'000	Cash flows HK\$'000	Interest expenses HK\$'000	Exchange difference HK\$'000	Fair value loss HK\$'000	31 December 2024 HK\$'000
Lease liabilities	342	_	(220)	34	_	_	156
Bonds payable	46,800	_	_	_	_	_	46,800
Other financial liabilities	42,063		_			(26,392)	15,671
	89,205		(220)	34		(26,392)	62,627
		Modification					
	1 January	of lease	Cash	Interest	Exchange	Fair	31 December
	2023	liabilities	flows	expenses	difference	value loss	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Lease liabilities	782	362	(778)	45	(69)	_	342
Bonds payable	46,800	_	_	_	_	_	46,800
Borrowings	81	_	(83)	2	_	_	_
Other financial liabilities	35,594					6,469	42,063

(b) Total cash outflow for leases

Amounts included in the cash flow statements for leases comprise the following:

362

83,257

	2024 HK\$′000	2023 HK\$'000
Within operating cash flows Within financing cash flows	1,256 186	2,668 733
	1,442	3,401

(861)

47

6,469

(69)

89,205

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39. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (Continued)

(b) Total cash outflow for leases (Continued) These amounts relate to the following:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Lease rental paid	1,442	3,401

40. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At 31 December 2024, the Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities (2023: Nil).

41. COMMITMENTS

Capital commitments contracted for at the end of the reporting period but not yet incurred are as follows:

	2024	2023
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Capital contributions to subsidiaries	200,302	203,219
Capital expenditures for property, plant and equipment	8,789	5,241
Acquisition of equity investments		16,505
	209,091	224,965

42. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The Group as lessee

The Group regularly entered into short-term leases for motor vehicles, staff quarter and office premises. As at 31 December 2024 and 2023, the portfolio of short-term leases is similar to the portfolio of short-term leases to which the short-term lease expense disclosed in note 19.

The Group as lessor

Operating leases relate to leasehold land owned by the Group with lease terms of 1 to 10 years. All operating lease contracts contain market review clauses in the vent that the lessee exercises its options to renew. The lessee does not have an option to purchase the leasehold land at the expiry of the lease period.

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42. OPERATING LEASE ARRANGEMENTS (Continued)

The Group as lessor (Continued)

Minimum lease payments receivable on leases are as follows:

		2024	2023
		HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Within year 1		660	682
In the second year		660	682
In the third year		660	682
In the fourth year		660	682
In the fifth year		447	682
After five years		223	694
Total	_	3,310	4,104

The following table presents the amounts reported in profit or loss:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Lease income on operating leases	963	465

43. SEGMENT INFORMATION

IFRS 8 requires segmental disclosure to be based on the way that the Group's chief operating decision maker regards and manages the Group, with the amounts reported for each reportable segment being the measures reported to the Group's chief operating decision maker for the purpose of assessing segmental performance and making decisions about operating matters.

The Group has three reportable segments namely coal mining business segment, consulting and media service business segment and corporate and investment business segment.

The Group's reportable segments are strategic business units that offer different products and services. They are managed separately because each business requires different technology and marketing strategies.

The accounting policies of the operating segments are the same as those described in note 4 to the consolidated financial statements.

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43. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Information about operating segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities:

	Coal mining business segment HK\$'000	Consulting and media service business segment HK\$'000	Corporate and investment business segment HK\$'000	Total HK\$'000
Year ended 31 December 2024				
Revenue from external customers	1,104,180	8,090	13	1,112,283
Segment profit/(loss)	8,155	(1,428)	4.666	11,393
Interest revenue	179	2	-,000 616	797
Interest expenses	16,744	24	4,681	21,449
Depreciation and amortisation	14,513			14,514
Income tax expense/(credit)	5,198	8	(2,178)	3,028
Other material items of income and expense:			(_,)	5,010
Staff costs	19,690	2,044	9,124	30,858
Other material non-cash items:				
Impairment loss on trade and other				
receivables	21,387	135	26	21,548
Impairment loss on property, plant and				
equipment	13,036	—	—	13,036
Impairment loss on right-of-use assets	9,767	—	—	9,767
Additions to segment non-current assets	67,232	—	—	67,232
As at 31 December 2024				
Segment assets	691,801	2,518	46,676	740,995
Segment liabilities	598,206	2,785	157,953	758,944

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43. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Information about operating segment profit or loss, assets and liabilities: (Continued)

		Consulting and media	Corporate and	
	Coal mining	service	investment	
	business	business	business	
	segment	segment	segment	Total
	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000	HK\$'000
Year ended 31 December 2023				
Revenue from external customers	291,983	6,838	120	298,941
Segment profit/(loss)	11,598	(322)	(39,257)	(27,981)
Interest revenue	6	2	199	207
Interest expenses	16,488	20	5,071	21,579
Depreciation and amortisation	14,721	76	1	14,798
Income tax (credit)/expense	(3,540)	1	(211)	(3,750)
Other material items of income and expense:				
Staff costs	11,876	2,259	9,031	23,166
Other material non-cash items:				
Impairment loss on financial assets at				
FVTOCI		_	9,500	9,500
Impairment loss/(reversal of impairment				
loss) on trade and other receivables	5,958	31	(7)	5,982
Additions to segment non-current assets	8,524	_	—	8,524
As at 31 December 2023				
Segment assets	473,808	3,235	49,090	526,133
Segment liabilities	379,999	3,235	169,043	552,277

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43. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Reconciliations of segment assets and liabilities:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Assets Total assets of reportable segments	740,995	526,133
Assets relating to discontinued operations		14
Consolidated total assets	740,995	526,147
Liabilities		
Total liabilities of reportable segments	758,944	552,277
Liabilities relating to discontinued operations		5,048
Consolidated total liabilities	758,944	557,325

Geographical information:

The Group's information about its non-current assets (excluding financial assets at FVTOCI and deferred tax assets) by location of assets are detailed below:

Non-current assets

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Hong Kong	1	3
Mongolia	17,816	19,473
PRC except Hong Kong	316,395	295,017
Consolidated total	334,212	314,493

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43. SEGMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

Revenue from major customers:

	2024 HK\$'000	2023 HK\$'000
Coal mining business segment		
Customer a <i>(note ii)</i>	175,188	N/A
Customer b <i>(note i)</i>	N/A	79,801
Customer c <i>(note i)</i>	N/A	59,937
Customer d <i>(note i)</i>	N/A	29,227
Customer e	150,549	29,002
Customer f <i>(note ii)</i>	142,470	N/A

- (i) Customer b and customer c and customer d did not contribute over 10% of the total revenue of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2024.
- (ii) Customer a and customer f did not contribute over 10% of the total revenue of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023.

44. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to those related party transactions and balances disclosed elsewhere in the consolidated financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with its related parties during the year.

- (a) For the year ended 31 December 2024, interest expenses of HK\$2,571,000 (2023: HK\$1,915,000) was paid to a chief executive officer of the Group;
- (b) For the year ended 31 December 2024, short-term lease expenses of HK\$360,000 (2023: HK\$360,000) was paid to a related company of the Group, in which a director of the Company is a key management personnel of the related company; and
- (c) The details of the remuneration paid to the key management personnel are set out in note 15 to the consolidated financial statements.