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Interim Report

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF **PROFIT OR LOSS**

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

	Notes	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
REVENUE  – Goods  – Rental		6,614 13,773	11,043 13,710
Total revenue Cost of Inventory (Decrease)/Increase in fair value of investment properties	4	20,387 (4,132) (1,497)	24,753 (5,974) 10,584
Other income Other gains and losses Impairment loss on financial assets, net Employee benefits expenses Other operating expenses	4 4	13,916 2,588 (1,369) (7,316) (8,144)	10,985 918 (30) (7,965) (18,596)
Finance costs Share of losses of joint ventures PROFIT BEFORE TAX	5	(11,773) (817)	(11,274)
Income tax expense	7	(1,532)	(3,040)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD  Attributable to:		311	361
Owners of the parent Non-controlling interests		3,120 (2,809)	3,520 (3,159)
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE		311	361
PARENT  - Basic (RMB cents), profit for the period	9	0.31	0.57
– Diluted (RMB cents), profit for the period	9	0.31	0.57

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	311	361
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)  Other comprehensive income/(loss) that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:  Exchange differences on translation of		
foreign operations	8,103	(1,611)
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD, NET OF TAX	8,103	(1,611)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD	8,414	(1,250)
Attributable to: Owners of the Company Non-controlling interests	11,223 (2,809)	1,909 (3,159)
	8,414	(1,250)

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF **FINANCIAL POSITION**

30 June 2022

	Notes	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Property, plant and equipment Investment properties Right-of-use assets Goodwill Other intangible assets Investments in joint ventures Deferred tax assets	10 11	44,033 493,400 1,222 5,210 13,794 4,996 4,972	42,158 488,523 1,632 5,210 15,012 2,813 3,670
Total non-current assets		567,627	559,018
CURRENT ASSETS Inventories Trade and other receivables Amount due from a joint venture Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Cash and cash equivalents Total current assets	12 13 19	59,954 26,402 175,824 3,735 215,221	56,487 12,793 173,984 2,390 232,777
CURRENT LIABILITIES Trade and other payables Contract liabilities Interest-bearing bank borrowings Amount due to ultimate holding company Income tax payable	15	6,020 3,157 77,131 130,100 4	8,464 2,891 73,567 130,100 30
Total current liabilities		216,412	215,052
NET CURRENT ASSETS		264,724	263,379
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		832,351	822,397

No	30 June 2022 ote RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Rental deposits from tenants Interest-bearing bank and other borrowings Loan from the ultimate holding company Deferred tax liabilities	647 7,590 344,000 21,367	605 9,001 344,000 18,458
Total non-current liabilities  Net assets	458,747	372,064 450,333
EQUITY Equity attributable to owners of the parent Share capital 1 Reserves	6 <b>81,257 314,839</b>	81,257 303,616
Non-controlling interests  Total equity	396,096 62,651 458,747	384,873 65,460 450,333

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF **CHANGES IN EQUITY**

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

	Attributable to owners of the parent			Non-			
	Share capital RMB'000	Surplus account* RMB'000	Translation reserve RMB'000	Accumulated losses RMB'000	Sub-total RMB'000	controlling interests RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2021 (audited)	39,942	263,144**	(3,921)	(77,088)**	222,077	66,458	288,535
Profit/(loss) for the period	-	-	-	3,520	3,520	(3,159)	361
Other comprehensive income			(1,611)		(1,611)		(1,611)
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the period			(1,611)	3,520	1,909	(3,159)	(1,250)
Acquisition of a subsidiary	_	_	_	-	_	1,945	1,945
Issue of shares	41,315	118,601			159,916		159,916
At 30 June 2021 (unaudited)	81,257	381,745**	(5,532)	(73,568)**	383,902	65,244	449,146

	Attributable to owners of the parent				Non-		
	Share capital RMB'000	Surplus account* RMB'000	Translation reserve RMB'000	Accumulated losses RMB'000	Sub-total RMB'000	controlling interests RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2022 (audited) Profit/(loss) for the period Other comprehensive loss	81,257 - -	381,720** - 	(9,378)** - 8,103	(68,726)** 3,120	384,873 3,120 8,103	65,460 (2,809) 	450,333 311 8,103
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the period			8,103	3,120	11,223	(2,809)	8,414
At 30 June 2022 (unaudited)	81,257	381,720**	(1,275)**	(65,606)**	396,096	62,651	458,747

<sup>\*</sup> The surplus account represents the difference between the nominal amount of the share capital issued by the Company and the aggregate of the nominal amount of the issued share capital and other reserve of a subsidiary which was acquired by the Company pursuant to a previous group reorganisation in 1997.

<sup>\*\*</sup> These reserve accounts comprise the consolidated other reserves of RMB314,839,000 (31 December 2021: RMB303,616,000) in the interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position.

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF **CASH FLOWS**

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Net cash flow used in operating activities	(2,227)	(57,610)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES Interest received Investment income received Advance of loan receivables Purchases of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, net Capital contributed to joint venture Proceed from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment	470 (3,500) (1,420) (3,000)	12,076 506 (43,000) (8,600) -
Purchase of items of property, plant and equipment	(1,919)	(18,225)
Net cash flow used in investing activities	(9,315)	(57,243)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES Proceeds from loans Proceeds from issue of shares Share issue expenses Increase in an amount of a loan from an intermediate holding company Increase in an amount of a loan from the ultimate holding company Repayment of loan interest to ultimate holding company Repayment of bank borrowings Principal portion of lease payment Interest portion of lease payment Interest paid	- - - (10,793) (495) (870) (24) (956)	9,900 161,129 (1,213) 41,590 30,000 (10,248) (330) (788) (44) (442)
Net cash flows (used in)/from financing activities	(13,138)	229,554
NET (DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	(24,680) 232,777 7,124	114,701 108,156 (1,099)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD	215,221	221,758

# NOTES TO INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

30 June 2022

## 1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The interim condensed consolidated financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2022 has been prepared in accordance with Hong Kong Accounting Standard 34 ("HKAS 34") *Interim Financial Reporting*. The interim condensed consolidated financial information does not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

### 2. CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES AND DISCLOSURES

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated financial information are consistent with those applied in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021, except for the adoption of the following revised Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standards ("HKFRSs") for the first time for the current period's financial information.

Amendments to HKFRS 3
Amendments to HKAS 16

Amendments to HKAS 37

Annual Improvements to HKFRSs
2018–2020

Reference to the Conceptual Framework Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use

Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract Amendments to HKFRS 1, HKFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying HKFRS 16, and HKAS 41 The nature and impact of the revised HKFRSs are described below:

- (a) Amendments to HKFRS 3 replace a reference to the previous Framework for the Preparation and Presentation of Financial Statements with a reference to the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting issued in June 2018 without significantly changing its requirements. The amendments also add to HKFRS 3 an exception to its recognition principle for an entity to refer to the Conceptual Framework to determine what constitutes an asset or a liability. The exception specifies that, for liabilities and contingent liabilities that would be within the scope of HKAS 37 or HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 if they were incurred separately rather than assumed in a business combination, an entity applying HKFRS 3 should refer to HKAS 37 or HK(IFRIC)-Int 21 respectively instead of the Conceptual Framework. Furthermore, the amendments clarify that contingent assets do not qualify for recognition at the acquisition date. The Group has applied the amendments prospectively to business combinations that occurred on or after 1 January 2022. As there were no contingent assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities within the scope of the amendments arising in the business combination that occurred during the period, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position and performance of the Group.
- (b) Amendments to HKAS 16 prohibit an entity from deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognises the proceeds from selling any such items, and the cost of those items, in profit or loss. The Group has applied the amendments retrospectively to items of property, plant and equipment made available for use on or after 1 January 2021. Since there was no sale of items produced while making property, plant and equipment available for use on or after 1 January 2021, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.

- (c) Amendments to HKAS 37 clarify that for the purpose of assessing whether a contract is onerous under HKAS 37, the cost of fulfilling the contract comprises the costs that relate directly to the contract. Costs that relate directly to a contract include both the incremental costs of fulfilling that contract (e.g., direct labour and materials) and an allocation of other costs that relate directly to fulfilling that contract (e.g., an allocation of the depreciation charge for an item of property, plant and equipment used in fulfilling the contract as well as contract management and supervision costs). General and administrative costs do not relate directly to a contract and are excluded unless they are explicitly chargeable to the counterparty under the contract. The Group has applied the amendments prospectively to contracts for which it has not yet fulfilled all its obligations at 1 January 2022 and no onerous contracts were identified. Therefore, the amendments did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.
- (d) Annual Improvements to HKFRSs 2018–2020 sets out amendments to HKFRS 1, HKFRS 9, Illustrative Examples accompanying HKFRS 16, and HKAS 41. Details of the amendments that are applicable to the Group are as follows:
  - HKFRS 9 Financial Instruments: clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability. These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the other's behalf. The Group has applied the amendment prospectively to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after 1 January 2022. As there was no modification of the Group's financial liabilities during the period, the amendment did not have any impact on the financial position or performance of the Group.
  - HKFRS 16 Leases: removes the illustration of payments from the lessor relating to leasehold improvements in Illustrative Example 13 accompanying HKFRS 16. This removes potential confusion regarding the treatment of lease incentives when applying HKFRS 16.

### 3. SEGMENT INFORMATION

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

- (a) Leasing of properties: this segment mainly leases residential, industrial and commercial premises to generate rental income;
- (b) Production and sale of education equipment: this segment is engaged in the research and development, production and sale of education equipment together with relevant learning and tutorial systems;
- (c) Loan financing: this segment provides loan financing services to individuals or corporate customers. The Group possesses a money lender licence and its moneylending business is mainly carried out in Hong Kong;
- (d) Consulting service: this segment provides construction project supervision, project cost consulting services and bidding consulting services in the Mainland China; and
- (e) Real estate development: this segment provides real estate development services in Mainland China.

Management monitors the results of the Group's operating segments separately for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment. Segment performance is evaluated based on reportable segment profit/loss, which is a measure of adjusted profit/loss before tax. The adjusted profit/loss before tax is measured consistently with the Group's profit before tax except that fair value changes of investment properties, certain other income, certain other gains and losses, certain employee benefit expenses, finance costs, as well as certain other operating expenses are excluded from such measurement.

Segment assets exclude cash and cash equivalents, financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, other financial assets, tax recoverable, certain property, plant and equipment, certain other receivables of the corporate office and assets classified as held for sale.

Segment liabilities exclude certain other payables and accrued charges of the corporate offices as these liabilities are managed on a group basis.

Segment revenue and results
For the six months ended 30 June 2022 (Unaudited)

	Segment revenue RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Segment results RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Leasing of properties Production and sale of education equipment Consulting service Loan financing Real estate development	13,773 6,614 - - -	9,618 (5,636) (1,762) (14) (2)
Segment total	20,387	2,204
Increase in fair value of investment properties Unallocated income Unallocated expenses		(1,497) 13,658 (12,522)
Profit before tax		1,843

# For the six months ended 30 June 2021 (Unaudited)

	Segment revenue RMB'000 (Unaudited)	Segment results RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Leasing of properties Production and sale of education equipment Consulting service Loan financing	13,710 11,043 – –	11,295 (5,727) (3,209) (9)
Segment total	24,753	2,350
Increase in fair value of investment properties Unallocated income Unallocated expenses		10,584 11,073 (20,606)
Profit before tax		3,401

# **Segment assets and liabilities**

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

	Segmen	t assets	Segment	liabilities
	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
Leasing of properties Production and sale of	684,491	665,203	497,048	494,098
education equipment Consulting service Loan financing	75,523 13,302 –	70,926 8,558 –	56,404 982 13	55,243 2,874 12
Real estate development	40,149	40,149	600	900
Segment total	813,465	784,836	555,047	553,127
Unallocated: Cash and cash equivalents	215,221	232,777	_	_
Others	20,077	19,836	34,969	33,989
Total	1,048,763	1,037,449	590,016	587,116

# **Geographical information**

# (a) Revenue from external customers

		For the six months ended 30 June	
		2022 RMB'000	2021 RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
	M. I. J. G.	40 774	22.400
	Mainland China	18,771	23,199
	Hong Kong	1,616	1,554
		20,387	24,753
(b)	Non-current assets		
		30 June	31 December
		2022	2021
		RMB'000	RMB'000
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
	Mainland China	406,942	405,849
	Hong Kong	155,713	149,499
		562,655	555,348

The non-current asset information above is based on the locations of the assets and excludes financial instruments and deferred tax assets.

#### REVENUE, OTHER INCOME, OTHER GAINS AND LOSSES 4.

### Revenue

An analysis of revenue from contracts with customers is as follows:

## For the six months ended 30 June

	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers Sale of education equipment Revenue from other sources Gross rental income from investment property	6,614	11,043
operating leases with fixed payments	13,773	13,710
	20,387	24,753

# **Revenue from contracts with customers**

# Disaggregated revenue information For the period ended 30 June 2022

Segments	Sale of education equipment RMB'000
<b>Geographical markets</b> Mainland China	6,614
<b>Timing of revenue recognition</b> Goods transferred at a point in time	6,614

For the period ended 30 June 2021

Segments	Sale of education equipment RMB'000
<b>Geographical markets</b> Mainland China	11,043
<b>Timing of revenue recognition</b> Goods transferred at a point in time	11,043

Set out below is the reconciliation of the revenue from contracts with customers to the amounts disclosed in the segment information:

# For the period ended 30 June 2022

Segments	Sale of education equipment RMB'000
Revenue from contracts with customers External customers	6,614
For the period ended 30 June 2021	
Segments	Sale of education equipment RMB'000
Revenue from contracts with customers External customers	11,043

# (b) Performance obligations

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

### Sale of education equipment

The performance obligation of the sale of education equipment is satisfied upon delivery of goods and payment in advance is generally required. Some contracts provide customers with a right of return and volume rebates which give rise to variable consideration subject to constraint. As at 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021, the variable consideration was assessed to be minimal.

### Consulting service

The performance obligation of consulting service is satisfied upon winning the bid in accordance with the service contract.

An analysis of other income is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Bank interest income	386	178
Investment income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss Investment income from other financial	470	75
assets	_	431
Interest from entrusted loans	12,555	10,192
Government grant	411	85
Others	94	24
	13,916	10,985

# Other gains and losses

An analysis of other gains and losses is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net foreign exchange gain (Loss)/Gain from change in fair value of financial assets at fair value through	2,772	830
profit or loss, net	(184)	88
	2,588	918

#### **FINANCE COSTS** 5.

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Interest expenses on:		
Loan from the ultimate holding company	10,793	10,248
Bank loans	956	442
Lease liabilities	24	44
Amount due to an intermediate holding		
company	-	540
	11,773	11,274

#### 6. **PROFIT BEFORE TAX**

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

For the si	k months	ended	30 June
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	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	733	735
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	410	593
Amortisation of intangible assets	1,218	1,217
Impairment loss on financial assets, net	1,369	30
Investment income from financial assets at fair		
value through profit or loss	(470)	(75)
Investment income from other financial assets	_	(431)
Government grant	(411)	(85)
Net foreign exchange gain	(2,772)	(830)
Loss/(Gain) from change in fair value of financial		
assets at fair value through profit or loss, net	184	(88)
Cost of inventories sold	4,132	5,974

#### 7. **INCOME TAX EXPENSE**

### **Hong Kong**

Hong Kong profits tax has been provided at the rate of 16.5% on the estimated assessable profits arising in Hong Kong for the six months ended 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021.

### **Mainland China**

Under the Law of Mainland China on Entity Income Tax (the "EIT Law") and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate for high-tech enterprises in Mainland China was 15%, and the tax rate for other Mainland China subsidiaries was 25% for the six months ended 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021

### For the six months ended 30 June

	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Current tax – Hong Kong Underprovision in prior years	-	30
Current tax – Mainland China Overprovision in prior years	(8)	(303)
Deferred	1,540	3,313
Total tax charge for the period	1,532	3,040

#### 8 **DIVIDENDS**

No dividend was paid or proposed for ordinary shareholders of the Company during the six months ended 30 June 2022 and 30 June 2021, nor has any dividend been proposed since the end of the reporting period (30 June 2021: Nil).

#### 9. **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The calculation of the basic earnings per share attributable to equity holders of the parent is based on the following data:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2021 RMB'000 (Unaudited) (Restated)
Earnings		
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders		
of the parent	3,120	3,520
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	For the six montl	
	2022 (Unaudited)	2021 (Unaudited)
Number of shares Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period	998,553,360	618,548,331
	For the six month	hs ended 30 June
	2022	2021
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited) (Restated)
<b>Earnings per shares</b> Basic and diluted earnings per share attributable		
to ordinary equity holders of the parent	RMB0.31 cents	RMB0.57 cents

### 10. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

During the six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group purchased items of property, plant and equipment at a total cost of RMB1,919,000 (six months ended 30 June 2021: RMB21,251,000) and the amount of disposal of items of property, plant and equipment was RMB98,000 disposed (six months ended 30 June 2021: none).

### 11. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

The investment properties of the Group are located in Hong Kong and Mainland China. The valuations for investment properties have been arrived at on a basis of valuations carried out at the end of the reporting period by Asia-Pacific Consulting and Appraise Limited (30 June 2021: Asia-Pacific Consulting and Appraise Limited) by adopting the income capitalisation method.

For the six months ended 30 June 2022, an unrealised loss on investment properties revaluation of RMB1,497,000 (six months ended 30 June 2021: an unrealised gain on investment properties revaluation of RMB10,584,000) has been recognised in profit or loss.

# 12. INVENTORIES

	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Leasehold land (Note (a))	40,149	40,149
Raw materials	11,438	12,342
Finished goods	8,552	4,181
	60,139	56,672
Less: impairment loss on inventories	(185)	(185)
	59,954	56,487
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Note:

<sup>(</sup>a) The leasehold land was obtained by the acquisition of a subsidiary, which was recognised as an asset acquisition instead of a business combination.

# 13. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
Trade receivables Less: Allowance for credit losses	4,482 (1,041)	5,020 (1,280)
Deposits, prepayments and other receivables Less: Allowance for credit losses Interest receivable Advance payment of income tax Value-added tax recoverable	3,441 5,870 (447) 13,309 2,423 1,806	3,740 6,613 (500) - - 2,940
	26,402	12,793

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

	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
Within 1 month 1 to 2 months Over 3 months	146 1,787 1,508	1,238 259 2,243
	3,441	3,740

# 14. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
Cash and bank balances Time deposits	215,221 	219,724 13,053 232,777

# 15. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
Trade payables Accrued charges Other payables Other taxes payable	1,175 2,957 984 904	957 4,405 1,385 1,717
	6,020	8,464

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

	30 June 2022 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2021 RMB'000 (Audited)
Within 1 month 1 to 2 months 2 to 3 months Over 3 months	67 32 - 1,076	70 33 1 853

# 16. SHARE CAPITAL

# **Shares**

The number of authorised capital is 20,000,000,000. The par value per share is HK\$0.1.

	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Issued and fully paid 998,553,360		
(2021: 998,553,360) ordinary shares	81,257	81,257

A summary of movements in the Company's share capital is as follows:

	Number of	
	shares in issue	Share capital
		RMB'000
At 1 January 2020, 31 December 2020 and		
1 January 2021 (Audited)	499,276,680	39,942
Rights issue (Note)	499,276,680	41,315
At 31 December 2021 and 30 June 2022		
(Unaudited)	998,553,360	81,257

Note: A rights issue of one rights share for every existing share held by members on the register of members on 11 May 2021 was made, at an issue price of approximately RMB0.32 (HK\$0.39) per rights share, resulting in the issue of 499,276,680 shares for a total cash consideration, before expenses, of RMB161,539,154.

# 17. COMMITMENTS

The Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	30 June 2022 RMB'000	31 December 2021 RMB'000
Contracted, but not provided for: Acquisition of subsidiary (Note) Leasehold land and buildings Capital contributions payable to Joint Ventures	28,900 28,900	1,982,300 310 31,900 2,014,510

Note: On 17 March 2021, Yangfan (Holdings) Group Limited (the Purchaser, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company) and CQDHG (the Vendor) entered into the Sale and Purchase Agreement, pursuant to which the Purchaser has conditionally agreed to acquire, and the Vendor has conditionally agreed to sell, the Target Equity Interest, being approximately 81.91% of the equity interest in the Qingdao Rural Construction Financial Leasing Company Limited (the Target Company), at a consideration of approximately RMB1,982.3 million (approximately HK\$2,378.7 million). The Consideration shall be satisfied as follows: (i) approximately RMB128.8 million (approximately HK\$154.5 million) shall be payable by the Purchaser (or its designated corporation) to the Vendor (or its nominee(s)) in cash upon Completion; and (ii) approximately RMB1,853.5 million (approximately HK\$2,224.2 million) shall be payable by the issue of the Consideration CB by the Company to the Vendor (or its nominee(s)) upon Completion. As at 30 June 2022, this transaction was terminated by mutual consent of the parties.

### 18. PLEDGE OF ASSETS

- (a) As at 30 June 2022, the Group pledged certain of its investment properties with a market value of RMB138,200,000 (31 December 2021: RMB132,323,000) to a bank in Hong Kong to secure banking facility granted to the Group to obtain a mortgage financing from a bank in Hong Kong of approximately RMB75,246,000 (31 December 2021: RMB71,729,000). As at 30 June 2022, the Group had no unutilised banking facilities (31 December 2021: none).
- (b) As at 30 June 2022, the Group pledged certain of its property, plant and equipment with book value of RMB26,971,000 (31 December 2021: RMB25,445,000) to a bank in Mainland China to obtain a mortgage financing from a bank in Mainland China of RMB8.580.000 (31 December 2021: RMB9.074.000).

# 19. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

Short-term benefits

# (a) Compensation of key management personnel

The remuneration of the directors during the period was as follows:

(b) In addition to the transactions detailed elsewhere in these financial statements, the Group had the following transactions with related parties during the year:

# For the six months ended 30 June

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		2022	2021
/	Votes	RMB'000	RMB'000
Joint ventures: Interest income from entrusted loans	(ii)	12,555	10,192
The ultimate holding company: Interest expense on loans Interest expense on loans	(i) (ii)	8,261 2,532	8,261 1,987
An intermediate holding company: Rental Income Interest expense on loans	(iii)	114	115 540

# (c) Balance with related parties:

		For the six months ended 30 June		
		2022	2021	
	Notes	RMB'000	RMB'000	
Amounts due from related parties				
Amount due from a joint venture	(ii)	177,600	174,100	
Impairment losses, net	(ii)	1,776	116	
		175,824	173,984	
Amounts due to related parties Current portion Amount due to the ultimate holding				
company	(ii)	130,100	130,100	
Non-current portion Amount due to the ultimate holding company	(i)	344,000	344,000	
сопрапу	(1)	344,000	344,000	

#### Notes:

(i) As at 30 June 2022, a RMB-denominated loan from the ultimate holding company of RMB344,000,000 with the maturity date of 31 December 2024 (31 December 2021: RMB344,000,000) took effect. The loan is unsecured and bears interest at a fixed rate of 4.75% per annum. The Company has recognised an interest expense on the loan amounting to RMB8,261,000 for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (six months ended 30 June 2021: RMB8,261,000). (ii) On 7 May 2020, Qingdao Qifeng Technology Services Co., Ltd.\* ("Qifeng", an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company), Qingdao Urban Rural Construction Microcredit Loan Co. Ltd.\* ("QURC Micro-credit Loan Company") and Huizhou Jiuyu Real Estate Company Limited\* ("Huizhou Jiuyu", a joint venture of the Group) entered into an entrusted loan arrangement, pursuant to which QURC Micro-credit Loan Company, acting as the lending agent, will release a loan in the principal amount of RMB195,100,000, which will be funded by Qifeng, to Huizhou Jiuyu, with a loan term of 2 years in accordance with the terms of the entrusted loan contract. As at 30 June 2022, the RMB-denominated loan was provided to Huizhou Jiuyu of RMB177,600,000 (31 December 2021: RMB174,100,000) and bears interest at a fixed rate of 15% per annum. The Company has recognised interest income from the loan amounting to RMB12,555,000 (30 June 2021: RMB10,192,000) for six months ended 30 June 2022, and the outstanding balance of interest receivable due to Huizhou Jiuyu was RMB13,309,000 (31 December 2021: nil) as at 30 June 2022. Pursuant to the Entrusted Loan Contract, the loan is guaranteed by the leasehold land and buildings owned by Huizhou Jiuyu and an interest in Huizhou Yanlong Land Company Limited\* ("Huizhou Yanlong", the parent company of Huizhou Jiuyu) owned by Huizhou Meile Land Company Limited.

As at 30 June 2022, the expected credit losses which amounted to RMB1,776,000 (31 December 2021: RMB116,000) were estimated by applying a loss rate approach with reference to the historical loss record of the Group and are adjusted to reflect the current condition as appropriate. The loss rate applied at 30 June 2022 was 1% (31 December 2021: 0.07%).

Qingdao City Construction Investment (Group) Limited\* ("QCCIG"), the ultimate controlling shareholder of the Company, entered into the loan agreement with Qifeng on the same day, pursuant to which QCCIG has agreed to provide, upon Qifeng's request, an unsecured loan of RMB182,000,000 to Qifeng. Such loan will be available for drawdown by Qifeng in accordance with Qifeng's actual needs within two years from the first drawdown under the loan agreement at an interest rate of 3.85% per annum. The Group intends to use the loan provided by QCCIG to fund the entrusted loan to be made to Huizhou Jiuyu. As at 30 June 2022, a RMB-denominated loan from the ultimate holding company of RMB130,100,000 was unsecured and bears interest at a fixed rate of 3.85% per annum (as at 31 December 2021: RMB130,100,000). The Company has recognised an interest expense on the loan amounting to RMB2,532,000 for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (six months ended 30 June 2021: RMB1,987,000).

(iii) The Group has leased one of its commercial properties in Hong Kong under an operating lease agreement to an intermediate holding company, China Qingdao Development (Holdings) Group Company Limited. The initial lease period is from 1 June 2019 to 31 May 2021, and was renewed to extend the maturity date to 31 May 2022. The Group has recognised rental income of RMB114,000 for six months ended 30 June 2022 (six months ended 30 June 2021; RMB115.000), and the outstanding balances due to the intermediate holding company of RMB20,000 and RMB19,000, which are included in rental deposits from tenants and trade and other payables in the consolidated statement of financial position as at the end of the reporting period respectively, are unsecured, interest-free and have no fixed terms of repayment.

# 20. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial instruments reasonably approximate to fair values

Management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, financial assets included in other receivables, loan and interest receivables. trade payables and financial liabilities included in other payables approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.

The Group's management is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments. At each reporting date, management analyses the movements in the values of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation. The valuation process and results are discussed with the audit committee twice a year for interim and annual financial reporting.

The fair values of the financial assets and liabilities are included at the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

The fair values of the interest-bearing bank borrowings, a loan from and an amount due to the ultimate holding company and amount due to an intermediate holding company have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities. The changes in fair value as a result of the Group's own non-performance risk for the interestbearing bank borrowings, a loan from and an amount due to the ultimate holding company and an amount due to an intermediate holding company as at 30 June 2022 were assessed to be insignificant.

The Group invests in wealth management products issued by banks in Mainland China. The Group has estimated the fair value of these unlisted investments by using a discounted cash flow valuation model based on the market interest rates of instruments with similar terms and risks

The Group also invests in an unlisted investment issued by a financial institution in Hong Kong, the fair value of which was determined with reference to the quoted price provided by the issuing financial institution.

### Fair value hierarchy

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial instruments:

# Assets measured at fair value As at 30 June 2022

	Fair valu Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) RMB'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) RMB'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) RMB'000	Total RMB′000
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		3,735	-	3,735

### As at 31 December 2021

	Fair valu Quoted	ue measuremen	t using	
	prices in active	Significant observable	Significant unobservable	
	markets	inputs	inputs	
	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Financial asset at fair value through profit or loss		2,390		2,390

### Liabilities measured at fair value

During the six months ended 30 June 2022, there were no transfers of fair value measurement between Level 1 and Level 2 and no transfers into or out of Level 3 (six months ended 30 June 2021: Nil).

# Liabilities for which fair values are disclosed As at 30 June 2022

	Fair valu Quoted prices in active markets (Level 1) RMB'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) RMB'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Interest-bearing bank borrowings Loan from the ultimate holding company		83,826 474,100		83,826 474,100
		557,926		557,926

### As at 31 December 2021

	Fair val Quoted			
	prices in active markets (Level 1) RMB'000	Significant observable inputs (Level 2) RMB'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Interest-bearing bank				
borrowings Loan from the ultimate holding company		80,803	-	80,803
		474,100		474,100
		554,903		554,903

# 21. APPROVAL OF THE INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The interim financial information was approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors on 30 August 2022.

#### **INTERIM DIVIDEND**

The Board has resolved not to declare the payment of an interim dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (the "Period") (30 June 2021: Nil).

## MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Group is principally engaged in the business of leasing of investment properties, production and sale of digital Chinese calligraphy education equipment and relevant learning and tutorial systems, provision of consulting services, provision of loan financing and property development.

## **Leasing of Properties**

During the Period, the Group managed to achieve a stable return and recorded a rental income of approximately RMB13.8 million (2021: RMB13.7 million) from the leasing of investment properties located in the People's Republic of China (the "PRC") and Hong Kong.

## Production and Sale of Digital Chinese Calligraphy Education Equipment

During the Period, the revenue generated from the production and sale of digital Chinese calligraphy education equipment and related learning and tutorial systems amounted to approximately RMB6.6 million (2021: RMB11.0 million), representing a decrease of approximately 40.0%.

A resurgence of COVID-19 cases in various cities and provinces in the PRC and lockdowns that followed affected business performance of this segment during the Period. The installation works for our digital Chinese calligraphy education equipment in classrooms were delayed and the production and sales promotion activities initially scheduled for this business segment were disrupted because of the ravage of COVID-19 pandemic, which resulted in a deterioration in the performance of this segment.

The Directors believed that the revenue of this segment would be rebounded in the traditional peak sales season, especially when China's economy can continue to recover under stringent and effective anti-epidemic measures.

# **Provision of Consulting Services**

During the Period, the provision of consulting services segment did not generate any revenue (2021: Nil). The consulting services mainly included consulting services provided to property developers engaged in the construction works in new districts in the PRC. Although the real estate industry in general has been in a tough business environment in the Period, the Directors remain optimistic about the significant business opportunities in this business segment in the long run.

## **Provision of Loan Financing**

During the Period, the Group's loan financing business did not generate any revenue (2021: Nil). The Group did not grant any new loans during the Period as business activities had been slowing down due to the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Group continues to maintain sound credit control policy when advancing loans to its customers. The Group holds the principle that prudent measures are particularly important and essential. The Group will continue to develop this business by employing prudent credit control procedures and strategies to maintain a balance between the business growth and the risk management.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

## **Revenue and Results**

During the Period, the Group recorded a consolidated revenue of approximately RMB20.4 million (2021: RMB24.8 million), representing a decrease of approximately 17.7% as compared with the corresponding period last year.

Cost of inventory sold for the Period was approximately RMB4.1 million (2021: RMB6.0 million), representing a decrease of approximately 31.7% as compared with the corresponding period last year.

Other income for the Period was approximately RMB13.9 million (2021: RMB11.0 million), representing an increase of approximately 26.4%. The increase was mainly attributable to the interest income of approximately RMB2.4 million from the provision of entrusted loan.

Employee benefit expenses for the Period were approximately RMB7.3 million (2021: RMB8.0 million), representing a slightly decrease of approximately RMB0.7 million as compared with the corresponding period last year. The decrease was mainly due to the decrease in commission for the marketing staff from production and sale of digital Chinese calligraphy education equipment and related learning and tutorial systems segment.

Finance costs for the Period were approximately RMB11.8 million (2021: RMB11.3 million). Finance costs included interest payable for the unsecured loans provided by the ultimate holding company of the Company and interest payable for the secured loans provided by a bank.

The profit for the Period attributable to owners of the Company was approximately RMB3.1 million (2021: RMB3.5 million) and the earnings per share was RMB0.31 cent (2021: RMB0.57 cent). Such slightly decrease was mainly attributable to the decrease in fair value of investment properties and the impairment loss on financial assets, which was partially offset by (i) the decrease in legal and professional fees paid or payable; and (ii) the increase in other interest income in provision of entrusted loan.

### Liquidity

As at 30 June 2022, the total assets of the Company amounted to approximately RMB1,046.8 million (31 December 2021: RMB1,037.4 million), whereas the total liabilities of the Group amounted to approximately RMB590.0 million (31 December 2021: RMB587.1 million).

Accordingly, the net assets of the Company as at 30 June 2022 was RMB458.7 million (31 December 2021: RMB450.3 million).

The gearing ratio of the Company, being total liabilities to total assets, was 56.3% as at 30 June 2022 (31 December 2021: 56.6%). The Directors believe that the Group has adequate cash resources to meet its commitments and current working capital requirements.

## **Capital Structure**

The number of issued ordinary shares of the Company ("Shares") as at 30 June 2022 was 998,553,360 Shares (31 December 2021: 998,553,360 Shares).

The capital structure of the Group consists of debts, which includes bank borrowings, net of bank balances and cash and equity attributable to owners of the parent, comprising share capital and reserves.

## **Pledge of Assets**

As at 30 June 2022, the Group pledged certain of its investment properties with a market value of RMB138.2 million (31 December 2021: RMB132.3 million) to a bank in Hong Kong to secure mortgage financing facilities granted to the Group. As at 30 June 2022, the Group also pledged its construction in progress with a cost of RMB27.0 million (31 December 2021: RMB25.4 million) to a bank in the PRC to secure mortgage financing facilities granted to the Group.

As at 30 June 2022, the Group had no unutilised banking facilities (31 December 2021: Nil).

## **Foreign Exchange Exposure**

The Group's financial statements are presented in Renminbi. The Group carried out its business transactions mainly in Hong Kong dollars, Renminbi and United States dollars. The Group does not have any hedging arrangement on foreign exchange but will continue to closely monitor its foreign exchange exposure in Hong Kong.

## **Capital Commitments**

The Group's capital commitments including acquisition of subsidiary amounted to nil as at 30 June 2022 (as at 31 December 2021: approximately RMB1,982.3 million).

The Group's capital commitments including capital contributions payable to joint ventures amounted to RMB28.9 million as at 30 June 2022 (as at 31 December 2021: approximately RMB31.9 million).

## **Contingent Liabilities**

As at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the Group did not have any material contingent liabilities.

## **Employees and Remuneration Policy**

The Group aims to provide employees with a stimulating and harmonious working environment. The Group also encourages life-long learning and offers trainings to its employees to enhance their performance and provide support to their personal development. As at 30 June 2022, the Group employed a total of 126 full time employees (31 December 2021: 129). Employees and Directors are remunerated based on their performance and experience, current industry practices and prevailing market conditions and in accordance with the existing labour laws. In addition to basic salaries, the employees and Directors are rewarded with performance-related bonuses and other staff welfare benefits

#### **PROSPECTS**

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic continued to be felt across the global economy in the first half of 2022. Midway through the year, there are signs that negative operating factors in the macro environment are stabilising. However, the Board considered that the general outlook of the business environment will remain challenging in the second half of the year. The Group is expected to encounter regulatory requirements to waive certain rental to release the financial burden of its tenants in the PRC to ease their financial burdens brought by the lockdown measures for the year 2022. As at the date of this report, based on the information currently available, it is expected that approximately RMB1 million of rental amount will be waived in the second half of 2022. The Company will make further announcement(s) upon receipt of the waiver request from the relevant authorities.

To overcome the challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and the tough business environment, the Group will adhere to prudent financial management and stringent cost control and will continue to explore good business and investment opportunities to drive our business growth. The Group believes the pandemic will ultimately stabilize and should not have a significant impact on the Group's operations in the long term.

We thank our employees for their hard work and perseverance, and the members of the Board for their guidance. Most of all, we thank all our stakeholders, customers, and business partners for their continued support, patronage, and trust.

Looking ahead, the Group will seek to overcome all the unfavourable challenges and endeavour its best to achieve stable and promising results with concerted efforts from all its staff and full support from its ultimate controlling shareholder, Qingdao City Construction Investment (Group) Limited\* (青島城市建設投資(集團)有限責任公司) ("QCCIG"). The Group will continue to promote the long term sustainable development of its business, with an aim to bringing a stable return to the Company's shareholders ("Shareholders") and maximise Shareholders' wealth.

#### MATERIAL TRANSACTIONS

#### The Provision of Entrusted Loan

On 15 November 2019, Qingdao Holdings (Hong Kong) Limited ("Qingdao (HK)"), a whollyowned subsidiary of the Company, entered into a joint venture agreement (the "Joint Venture Agreement") with China Nuclear Industry Zhongyuan Construction Co., Limited\* (中國核工業中 原建設有限公司) ("China Nuclear Industry") and China Huadong Construction and Engineering Group Limited\* (中國華東建設工程集團有限公司) ("China Huadong") in relation to the formation of a joint venture company (the "Joint Venture Company"). The Joint Venture Company is principally engaged in urban reconstruction and development, construction and management of parks, construction and management of municipal facilities and equity investment and capital deployment in the PRC.

On 10 December 2019, Qingdao (HK), China Nuclear Industry and China Huadong established the Joint Venture Company pursuant to the Joint Venture Agreement. The Joint Venture Company is 51%, 30% and 19% owned by Qingdao (HK), China Nuclear Industry and China Huadong, respectively.

On 25 February 2020, the Joint Venture Company and Huizhou Meile Land Company Limited\* (惠州市美樂置地實業有限公司) ("Meile Land"), an independent third party of the Company, established Huizhou Yanlong Land Company Limited\* (惠州市炎隆置業有限公司) ("Huizhou Yanlong"). Huizhou Yanlong is 49% and 51% owned by the Joint Venture Company and Meile Land, respectively. Huizhou Jiuyu Real Estate Company Limited\*(惠州市九煜置業有限公司) ("Huizhou Jiuyu") is wholly owned by Huizhou Yanlong. Huizhou Jiuyu is expected to acquire the land use rights of the parcel of land which is located at No. 1 Court, Zhongkai Gaoxin District, Huizhou City, Guangdong Province, the PRC (中國廣東省惠州市仲愷高新區1號小區) (the "Land").

To provide Huizhou Jiuyu with part of the funding for the acquisition, development and operating expenses of the Land, Qingdao Qifeng Technology Services Co., Ltd.\* (青島啟峰科技服務有限 公司) ("Qifeng"), Qingdao Urban Rural Construction Mirco-credit Loan Co. Ltd.\* (青島城鄉建 設小額貸款有限公司) ("QURC Micro-credit Loan Company") and Huizhou Jiuyu entered into an entrusted loan arrangement on 7 May 2020 (the "Entrusted Loan Arrangement"). Pursuant to the Entrusted Loan Arrangement, QURC Micro-credit Loan Company, acting as the lending agent, agreed to release a loan in the principal amount of RMB195,100,000 (the "Entrusted Loan"), which will be funded by Qifeng, to Huizhou Jiuyu, subject to the terms and conditions of the entrusted loan contract dated 7 May 2020 entered into among Qifeng, QURC Micro-credit Loan Company and Huizhou Jiuyu (the "Entrusted Loan Contract") and the entrusted loan entrustment contract. QURC Micro-credit Loan Company is a non-banking financial institution approved and regulated by the relevant PRC regulatory authorities and is a connected person of the Company.

Upon the obtaining of the land use rights of the Land by Huizhou Jiuyu, Huizhou Jiuyu would pledge the land use rights of the Land and its construction-in-progress property project on the Land in favour of QURC Micro-credit Loan Company as security of the Entrusted Loan. Further, Huizhou Jiuyu shall procure (i) Meile Land to pledge its 51% equity interest in Huizhou Yanlong; (ii) Huizhou Yanlong to pledge its 100% equity interest in Huizhou Jiuyu; and (iii) Meile Land to provide the joint and several liability guarantee on the Entrusted Loan, in favour of QURC Microcredit Loan Company as security of the Entrusted Loan. As at the date of this interim report, the land use rights of the Land and its construction-in-progress property project on the Land have been pledged to QURC Micro-credit Loan Company.

On 7 May 2020, QCCIG entered into a loan agreement (the "Loan Agreement") with Qifeng, pursuant to which, QCCIG agreed to provide, upon Qifeng's request, unsecured loan of RMB182,000,000 to Qifeng at an interest rate of 3.85% per annum ("Financial Assistance"). The Group used its internal resources and the Financial Assistance to fund the Entrusted Loan for the years ended 31 December 2020 and 2021 and for the Period.

One of the Group's principal business activities is the provision of loan financing. Due to the difference between the interest rates under the Loan Agreement and the Entrusted Loan Arrangement, the Group will generate positive interest income under the Entrusted Loan Arrangement. The Directors consider that the Entrusted Loan would increase the interest income of the Group and hence, generate positive cash flow for the Group.

In addition, as the Joint Venture Company (a subsidiary of the Company) indirectly owns 49% of the equity interest in Huizhou Jiuvu, the Company expects to benefit from Huizhou Jiuvu on a pro-rata basis based on the performance of Huizhou Jiuyu. It is planned that the Entrusted Loan will be applied by Huizhou Jiuyu for the acquisition, development and operating expenses of the Land and the construction-in-progress property project on the Land. Upon completion of the development of the Land, Huizhou Jiuyu is expected to generate revenue by selling the residential properties on the Land. Qingdao (HK), as an indirect shareholder of Huizhou Jiuyu, will benefit from the property sales of the Land.

The provision of Entrusted Loan and the transactions contemplated thereunder were approved by the independent Shareholders at the special general meeting of the Company held on 30 June 2020.

The drawdown of the Entrusted Loan is conditional upon, among other things, the provision of other documents and information request by the QURC Micro-credit Loan Company as stated in the Entrusted Loan Contract. As at 30 June 2022, the Entrusted Loan in the amount of RMB177,600,000 was drawn down by Huizhou Jiuyu (31 December 2021: RMB174,100,000).

As at 30 June 2022, the expected credit losses which amounted to RMB1,776,000 (31 December 2021: RMB116,000) were estimated by applying a loss rate approach with reference to the historical loss record of the Group and are adjusted to reflect the current condition as appropriate. The loss rate applied at 30 June 2022 was 1% (31 December 2021: 0.07%).

For further details of the Entrusted Loan Arrangement, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 7 May 2020 and 30 June 2020 and the circular of the Company dated 10 June 2020.

## Very Substantial Acquisition, Issue of Convertible Bonds under the Specific Mandate, Rights Issue and Change of Use of Proceeds

On 17 March 2021, Yangfan (Holdings) Group Limited (揚帆(控股)集團有限公司) (a whollyowned subsidiary of the Company) (the "Purchaser") and China Qingdao Development (Holdings) Group Company Limited (華青發展(控股)集團有限公司) (the "Vendor"), being a controlling shareholder and a connected person of the Company, entered into a sale and purchase agreement, pursuant to which the Purchaser conditionally agreed to acquire (the "Acquisition"), and the Vendor conditionally agreed to sell, approximately 81.91% of the equity interest in Qingdao Rural Construction Financial Leasing Company Limited\* (青島城鄉建設融資租賃有限公 司)

The consideration in respect of the Acquisition (the "Consideration") shall be satisfied as follows: (i) approximately HK\$154.5 million shall be payable by the Purchaser (or its designated corporation) to the Vendor (or its nominee(s)) in cash upon completion of the Acquisition; and (ii) approximately HK\$2,224.2 million shall be payable by the issue of the convertible bonds ("Consideration CB") by the Company to the Vendor (or its nominee(s)) upon completion of the Acquisition. The Acquisition constitutes a very substantial acquisition of the Company.

In order to raise sufficient funds to settle part of the consideration and to finance the associated transaction expenses relating to the Acquisition, the Board proposed the offer of new Shares (the "Rights Issue") to Shareholders other than overseas Shareholder(s) in respect of whom the Directors, based on the legal advice provided by the legal advisers in the relevant jurisdictions, consider it necessary or expedient to exclude from the Rights Issue, on account either of the legal restrictions under the law of the relevant place or the requirements of the relevant regulatory body or stock exchange in that place on the basis of one (1) new Share to be allotted in respect of the Rights Issue (the "Rights Share") for every one (1) existing Share. China Qingdao International (Holdings) Company Limited ("CQIH"), a Controlling Shareholder, was wholly owned by the Vendor. Accordingly, the Vendor is an associate of CQIH and a connected person of the Company. The Acquisition is therefore a connected transaction of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Listing Rules"). Since one or more of the applicable percentage ratios in respect of the Acquisition exceeds 5%, the Acquisition is subject to the reporting, announcement, circular and independent Shareholders' approval requirements under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. The Rights Issue is also subject to Independent Shareholders' approval. At the special general meeting of the Company held on 13 April 2021, resolutions for approval of the Acquisition and the Rights Issue were passed by the independent Shareholders. The Company has completed the Rights Issue and issued 499,276,680 new Shares at the subscription price of HK\$0.39 per Rights Share on the basis of one Rights Share for every one existing Share of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2021.

As the Purchaser and the Vendor cannot agree on the consideration adjustment which reflects the current market value of the Target Group, the Purchaser and the Vendor agreed to terminate the Acquisition on 30 June 2022. Accordingly, the Consideration CB will not be issued to the Vendor. The Board considers the termination of the Acquisition shall have no material adverse impact on the existing business operation and financial position of the Group. For details in relation to the Acquisition, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 17, 22, 24 March 2021, 13 April 2021, 17, 31 May 2021, 13 July 2021, 26 November 2021, 29 March 2022, 8 April 2022 and 30 June 2022 and the circular of the Company dated 24 March 2021 and the prospectus of the Company dated 26 April 2021.

#### CHANGE IN USE OF PROCEEDS FROM THE RIGHTS ISSUE

The net proceeds from the Rights Issue was approximately RMB159.9 million, which has not been utilized and all of the net proceeds were deposited with the Group's bank account for temporary interest earning.

Given that the Acquisition will not proceed, approximately 90% of the net proceeds initially planned for settling the Consideration, being approximately RMB143.91 million is not utilized as at the date of this report.

The details of the use of proceeds from the Rights Issue are set out as follows:

Intended use of net proceeds	Intended use of net proceeds	Actual use of net proceeds as at 30 June 2022
For settling the Consideration	RMB143.91 million	_
As general working capital of the Group	RMB15.99 million	RMB1.57 million

As disclosed in the announcement of the Company dated 30 June 2022 in relation to the change of use of proceeds from the Rights Issue, the Company intends to use 90% of the net proceeds from the Rights Issue for other suitable investment opportunities.

As at the date of this report, the Company is exploring other suitable investment opportunities and is contemplating the acquisition of two commercial properties situated in Qingdao City, the PRC, with an aggregate gross floor area of approximately 102,200 square metres. In addition, the Company intends to pursue acquisition opportunities with properties management companies (especially targets which are engaged in commercial operations with quality residential and commercial properties under management).

For details, please refer to the announcements of the Company dated 30 June 2022 and 19 July 2022.

Save as disclosed above, there is no event after the Period which would have a material impact on the Company's financial position.

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES**

As at 30 June 2022, none of the Directors and the chief executives and their associates of the Company had any interests and short positions in the shares of the Company and its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")) which have been notified to the Company and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the "Stock Exchange") pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, or which were recorded in the register required to be kept pursuant to section 352 of the SFO or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Stock Exchange pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers (the "Model Code") as set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules.

## SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN SHARES

So far as is known to the Directors and chief executives of the Company, as at 30 June 2022, the following persons (other than a Director or chief executive of the Company or their associates) had the following interests and short positions (if any) in the Shares and underlying Shares of the Company as recorded in the register of the Company required to be kept under section 336 of the SFO

## Interests in the Shares of the Company

## Long positions

Name	Capacity	Number of Shares held (Note)	Approximate percentage of the Company's total number of Shares in issue
青島城市建設投資(集團) 有限責任公司 (Qingdao City Construction Investment (Group) Limited ("QCCIG")	Interest of a controlled corporation	689,243,266	69.02%
China Qingdao Development (Holdings) Group Company Limited ("CQDHG")		689,243,266	69.02%
China Qingdao International (Holdings) Company Limited ("CQIH")	Beneficial owner	689,243,266	69.02%

Note: These 689,243,266 Shares were held by CQIH, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of CQDHG. CQDHG is wholly owned by QCCIG. By virtue of the SFO, QCCIG and CQDHG were deemed to be interested in the Shares held by CQIH.

Save as disclosed above, the Company has not been notified of any other interests representing 5% or more of the total number of Shares in issue as at 30 June 2022.

## SHARE OPTIONS

At the annual general meeting of the Company held on 22 August 2013, the Shareholders conditionally adopted the share option scheme (the "Share Option Scheme"), which became effective on 27 August 2013.

The primary purpose of the Share Option Scheme is to provide incentives to Directors and eligible participants. The Share Option Scheme will remain in force for a period of 10 years commencing from 27 August 2013. Under the Share Option Scheme, the Directors may, at their absolute discretion, invite any person belonging to any of the following classes of participants to take up options to subscribe for Shares:

- (i) any Director, employee, consultant, professional, customer, supplier, agent, partner or adviser of or contractor to the Group or a company in which the Group holds an interest or a subsidiary of such company ("Affiliate"); or
- the trustee of any trust the beneficiary of which or any discretionary trust the discretionary (ii) objects of which include any Director, employee, consultant, professional, customer, supplier, agent, partner or adviser of or contractor to the Group or an Affiliate; or
- a company beneficially owned by any Director, employee, consultant, professional, (iii) customer, supplier, agent, partner, adviser of or contractor to the Group or an Affiliate.

The total number of Shares in respect of which options may be granted under the Share Option Scheme is not permitted to exceed 10% of the Shares in issue as at 22 August 2013 unless approved by the Shareholders. The number of Shares in respect of which options may be granted to any individual in any one year is not permitted to exceed 1% of the Shares in issue at any point in time, without prior approval from the Shareholders. Options granted to substantial Shareholders or independent non-executive Directors in excess of 0.1% of the Shares in issue or with a value in excess of HK\$5,000,000 in any 12-month period up to and including the date of grant must be approved in advance by the Shareholders.

Options granted must be taken up within 14 days from the date of grant, upon payment of HK\$1 per option. Options may be exercised at any time from the date of grant of the share option to a date to be determined and notified by the Directors or, in the absence of such determination, the earlier of the date on which the options lapse or the 10th anniversary of the date of grant. The exercise price is determined by the Directors, and will not be less than the higher of (i) the closing price of the Shares on the date of grant; (ii) the average closing price of the Shares for the five business days immediately preceding the date of grant; and (iii) the nominal value of the Shares.

No option has been granted under the Share Option Scheme since its adoption. As at the date of this interim report, the maximum number of Shares which may be issued upon exercise of options yet to be granted under the Share Option Scheme is 49,927,668 Shares, representing 5% of the total number of issued Shares (i.e. 998,553,360 ordinary shares).

#### **DIRECTORS' RIGHTS TO ACOUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES**

Save as disclosed in the section headed "Share Options" on page 47 of this interim report, at no time during the Period was the Company, or any of its subsidiaries, a party to any arrangements to enable the Directors to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate. In addition, none of the Directors, or their spouses or children under the age of 18 had any rights to subscribe for Shares or had exercised any such rights during the Period.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Board is committed to ensuring high standards of corporate governance in the interests of Shareholders and devotes efforts in identifying and developing the best practices. The Company has complied with the code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code (the "CG Code") as set out in Part 2 of Appendix 14 to the Listing Rules during the Period, except for the deviations set out below.

Code provision C.1.6 of the CG Code stipulates (among others) that generally, independent non-executive directors and other non-executive directors should also attend general meetings to gain and develop a balanced understanding of the views of shareholders. Due to the travel restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, all independent non-executive Directors (except Mr. Yin Tek Shing, Paul) could not attend the annual general meeting of the Company held on 10 June 2022 ("AGM") in person, and instead they joined the AGM by electronic means. Mr. Li Shaoran, the non-executive Director, did not attend the AGM as he had other business engagement on the date of the AGM.

Code provision F.2.2 of the CG Code stipulates that the chairman of the board should attend the annual general meeting. Due to the travel restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, Mr. Gao Yuzhen, the Chairman of the Board and the Nomination Committee, could not attend the AGM. Mr. Yin Tek Shing, Paul, the independent non-executive Director, was appointed the chairman of the meeting and acted as the delegate of Mr. Gao Yuzhen to answer Shareholders' questions. The Company considers that together with other members of the Board who attended the AGM by electronic means, there were sufficient calibres for answering questions at the AGM.

## **CHANGES IN DIRECTOR'S INFORMATION**

Pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules, the changes in Director's information are set out helow.

Name of Director	Details of changes
Mr. Li Xue	was appointed as an independent director of 青島高測科技股份有限公司 (Qingdao Gaoce Technology Co., Ltd.*), the shares of which are listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 688556) with effect from August 2021 and an independent director of 上海巴安水務股份有限公司 (SafBon Water Service (Holding) Inc., Shanghai*), the shares of which are listed on Shenzhen Stock Exchange (stock code: 300262) with effect from May 2022 respectively.

Save for the above changes, there is no other information that is required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules.

## MODEL CODE FOR DIRECTORS' SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted the Model Code as the Company's code of conduct for dealings in securities of the Company by the Directors. The Company has made specific enquiries with all Directors and is satisfied that they had complied with the Model Code throughout the Period.

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

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, sold or redeemed any of the Company's shares listed on the Stock Exchange during the Period.

#### **EVENT AFTER THE PERIOD**

Save as disclosed in the section headed "Change in use of proceeds from the rights issue" in this report, there is no material event occurred after the Period.

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE AND REVIEW OF THE INTERIM REPORT

The audit committee of the Company (the "Audit Committee") comprises four independent nonexecutive Directors and reports to the Board. The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to review and advise on the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group, and oversee the auditing and financial reporting processes and the risk management and internal control systems of the Group. The Audit Committee also meets with the Group's senior management regularly to review the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems as well as the interim and annual reports of the Group. The financial information in this interim report is unaudited and has been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

> By order of the Board **Qingdao Holdings International Limited** Gao Yuzhen Executive Director and Chairman

Hong Kong, 30 August 2022

As at the date of this interim report, the Executive Directors are Mr. Gao Yuzhen (Chairman), Mr. Yuan Zhi (Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer) and Mr. Hu Liang; the Non-executive Director is Mr. Li Shaoran; and the Independent Non-executive Directors are Mr. Yin Tek Shing, Paul, Mr. Wong Tin Kit, Ms. Zhao Meiran and Mr. Li Xue.

\* For identification purposes only