

AmlInvestment Bank Berhad

Registration No. 197501002220 (23742-V)

(Incorporated in Malaysia)

And Its Subsidiaries

Condensed Interim Financial Statements

For the Financial Period

1 April 2023 to

31 December 2023

(In Ringgit Malaysia)

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UNAUDITED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

		Group		Bank	
	Note	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
ASSETS					
Cash and short-term funds	8	1,440,177	273,229	1,326,202	171,866
Deposits and placements with a bank	9	400,000	70,000	400,000	70,000
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	10	33,148	33,466	33,148	33,466
Financial investments at amortised cost	11	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Loans and advances	12	897,232	815,906	897,232	815,906
Statutory deposit with Bank Negara Malaysia ("BNM")		17,764	14,210	17,764	14,210
Deferred tax assets		44,950	8,127	42,755	5,534
Investment in subsidiaries		-	-	51,054	51,441
Other assets	13	623,572	432,738	600,585	409,899
Property and equipment		14,678	15,206	14,348	14,847
Right-of-use assets		2,255	2,759	2,255	2,759
Intangible assets		40,383	41,206	2,893	3,462
TOTAL ASSETS		3,589,159	1,781,847	3,463,236	1,668,390
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY					
Deposits and placements of a bank	14	2,500,000	850,000	2,500,000	850,000
Derivative financial liabilities		-	4	-	4
Other liabilities	15	485,064	373,488	456,398	349,230
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,985,064	1,223,492	2,956,398	1,199,234
Share capital		330,000	330,000	330,000	330,000
Reserves		274,095	228,355	176,838	139,156
Equity attributable to equity holder of the Bank		604,095	558,355	506,838	469,156
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		3,589,159	1,781,847	3,463,236	1,668,390
COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES	25	231,641	233,651	231,641	233,651
NET ASSETS PER ORDINARY SHARE (RM)		1.92	1.78	1.61	1.49

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UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS
FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Group	Note	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
		31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
Interest income	16	27,531	16,500	70,538	46,194
Interest expense	17	(20,519)	(6,712)	(48,068)	(17,418)
Net interest income		7,012	9,788	22,470	28,776
Other operating income	18	103,646	91,985	280,467	247,676
Direct costs	19	(19,011)	(14,300)	(51,582)	(45,938)
Net income		91,647	87,473	251,355	230,514
Other operating expenses	20	(55,256)	(53,027)	(164,310)	(148,684)
Operating profit		36,391	34,446	87,045	81,830
Impaired loans and advances recovered, net (Allowance for)/writeback of impairment on:	21	-	-	359	-
Other financial assets	22	(505)	153	(769)	(784)
Other non-financial assets		(1,186)	-	(1,186)	-
Reversal of provision for commitments and contingencies		-	-	27	-
Profit before taxation		34,700	34,599	85,476	81,046
Taxation		49,695	(7,715)	35,661	(17,679)
Profit for the financial period		84,395	26,884	121,137	63,367
Basic/diluted earnings per share (sen)	23	26.9	8.6	38.6	20.2

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UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Group	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
Profit for the financial period	84,395	26,884	121,137	63,367
Other comprehensive (loss)/income:				
Item that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI")				
Net unrealised loss on changes in fair value	-	-	(192)	(166)
Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss				
Debt instruments at FVOCI				
Net unrealised gain/(loss) on changes in fair value	106	596	(198)	551
Tax effect	(25)	(144)	47	(132)
	81	452	(151)	419
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial period	81	452	(343)	253
Total comprehensive income for the period	84,476	27,336	120,794	63,620

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Bank	Note	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
		31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
Interest income	16	27,119	16,111	69,118	44,858
Interest expense	17	(20,483)	(6,676)	(47,957)	(17,310)
Net interest income		6,636	9,435	21,161	27,548
Other operating income	18	59,919	73,131	181,576	183,115
Direct costs	19	(11,455)	(7,805)	(29,228)	(23,925)
Net income		55,100	74,761	173,509	186,738
Other operating expenses	20	(37,144)	(35,516)	(109,206)	(100,296)
Operating profit		17,956	39,245	64,303	86,442
Impaired loans and advances recovered, net (Allowance for)/writeback of impairment on:	21	-	-	359	-
Other financial assets	22	(506)	153	(773)	(784)
Investment in subsidiary		-	-	(387)	-
Other non-financial assets		(1,058)	-	(1,058)	-
Reversal of provision for commitments and contingencies		-	-	27	-
Profit before taxation		16,392	39,398	62,471	85,658
Taxation		53,472	(4,229)	50,608	(5,896)
Profit for the financial period		69,864	35,169	113,079	79,762

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Net unrealised (loss)/gain on changes in fair value	106	596	(198)	551
Tax effect	(25)	(144)	47	(132)
	81	452	(151)	419
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial period	81	452	(343)	253
Total comprehensive income for the period	69,945	35,621	112,736	80,015

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UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Group	<-----Attributable to equity holder of the Bank----->						
	Non-distributable					Distributable	
	Share capital RM'000	Capital reserve RM'000	Regulatory reserve RM'000	Merger reserve RM'000	Fair value reserve RM'000	Retained earnings RM'000	Total equity RM'000
At 1 April 2022	330,000	2,815	8,457	82,115	1,703	144,979	570,069
Profit for the financial period	-	-	-	-	-	63,367	63,367
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	253	-	253
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	253	63,367	63,620
Transfer to regulatory reserve	-	-	1,240	-	-	(1,240)	-
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	(94,211)	(94,211)
Transactions with owner and other equity movements	-	-	1,240	-	-	(95,451)	(94,211)
At 31 December 2022	330,000	2,815	9,697	82,115	1,956	112,895	539,478
At 1 April 2023	330,000	2,815	10,478	82,115	2,259	130,688	558,355
Profit for the financial period	-	-	-	-	-	121,137	121,137
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	-	(343)	-	(343)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	-	-	-	-	(343)	121,137	120,794
Transfer to regulatory reserve	-	-	652	-	-	(652)	-
Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	(75,054)	(75,054)
Transactions with owner and other equity movements	-	-	652	-	-	(75,706)	(75,054)
At 31 December 2023	330,000	2,815	11,130	82,115	1,916	176,119	604,095

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	<-----Attributable to equity holder of the Bank----->				
	Non-distributable			Distributable	
Bank	Share capital RM'000	Regulatory reserve RM'000	Fair value reserve RM'000	Retained earnings RM'000	Total equity RM'000
At 1 April 2022	330,000	8,457	1,703	139,315	479,475
Profit for the financial period	-	-	-	79,762	79,762
Other comprehensive income	-	-	253	-	253
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	253	79,762	80,015
Transfer to regulatory reserve	-	1,240	-	(1,240)	-
Dividends	-	-	-	(94,211)	(94,211)
Transactions with owner and other equity movements	-	1,240	-	(95,451)	(94,211)
At 31 December 2022	330,000	9,697	1,956	123,626	465,279
At 1 April 2023	330,000	10,478	2,259	126,419	469,156
Profit for the financial period	-	-	-	113,079	113,079
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	(343)	-	(343)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period	-	-	(343)	113,079	112,736
Transfer to regulatory reserve	-	652	-	(652)	-
Dividends	-	-	-	(75,054)	(75,054)
Transactions with owner and other equity movements	-	652	-	(75,706)	(75,054)
At 31 December 2023	330,000	11,130	1,916	163,792	506,838

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FINANCIAL QUARTER ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Group		Bank	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
Profit before taxation	85,476	81,046	62,471	85,658
Adjustments for non-operating and non-cash items	5,926	3,705	(34,579)	(63,234)
Operating profit before working capital changes	91,402	84,751	27,892	22,424
Change in operating assets	(657,988)	533,500	(657,355)	536,050
Change in operating liabilities	1,754,868	14,045	1,757,849	20,079
Cash generated from operations	1,188,282	632,296	1,128,386	578,553
Tax paid	(13,479)	(20,848)	(6,312)	(13,021)
Net cash generated from operating activities	1,174,803	611,448	1,122,074	565,532
Net cash (used in)/ generated from investing activities	(2,260)	(2,331)	37,857	64,412
Net cash used in financing activities	(75,594)	(94,722)	(75,594)	(94,722)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,096,949	514,395	1,084,337	535,222
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the financial period	343,229	278,842	241,866	176,597
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial period (Note 1)	1,440,178	793,237	1,326,203	711,819
Note 1:				
Cash and short term funds	1,440,177	793,237	1,326,202	711,819
Deposits and placement with bank	400,000	300,000	400,000	300,000
Less: Deposits with original maturity of more than than 3 months	(400,000)	(300,000)	(400,000)	(300,000)
	1,440,177	793,237	1,326,202	711,819
Allowances for expected credit losses	1	-	1	-
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial period	1,440,178	793,237	1,326,203	711,819

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EXPLANATORY NOTES :

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION

These condensed interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with MFRS 134, Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board (“MASB”) and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia. These financial statements also comply with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

These condensed interim financial statements do not include all of the information required for full annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements of the Group and the Bank for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 which are available upon request from the Company’s registered office at Level 22, Bangunan AmBank Group, No. 55, Jalan Raja Chulan, 50200 Kuala Lumpur.

The condensed interim financial statements incorporate those stockbroking and capital market activities undertaken in compliance with Shariah principles relating to investment banking services which are regulated by Securities Commission and Bursa Malaysia Berhad.

1.1 Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except for the adoption of the following amendments to published standards:

- Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current (Amendments to MFRS 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*)
- Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to MFRS 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*)
- Definition of Accounting Estimates (Amendments to MFRS 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*)
- Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction (Amendments to MFRS 112 *Income Taxes*)
- International Tax Reform - Pillar Two Model Rules (Amendments to MFRS 112 *Income Taxes*)

The adoption of these amendments to published standards did not have any material impact on the financial statements of the Group and of the Bank. The Group and the Bank did not have to change its accounting policies or make retrospective adjustments as a result of adopting these amendments to published standards.

The nature of the amendments to published standards relevant to the Group and the Bank are described below:

Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current (Amendments to MFRS 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*)

The amendments clarified that liabilities are classified as either current or non-current, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Liabilities are classified as non-current if the entity has a substantive right to defer settlement for at least 12 months at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the expectations or intentions of the entity, as well as events after the reporting date. The adoption of these amendments did not result in any impact to the financial statements of the Group and the Bank.

Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to MFRS 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements*)

The amendments require entities to disclose material accounting policies rather than significant accounting policies in the financial statements. Entities are expected to make disclosure of accounting policies specific to the entity and not generic disclosures on MFRS applications.

An accounting policy is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity’s financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the users make based on those financial statements. Also, accounting policy information is expected to be material if, without it, the users of the financial statements would be unable to understand other material information in the financial statements. Immaterial accounting policy information need not be disclosed. The adoption of these amendments did not result in any material impact to the financial statements of the Group and the Bank.

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D.)

1.1 Significant Accounting Policies (Cont'd.)

Definition of Accounting Estimates (Amendments to MFRS 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors)

The amendments redefined accounting estimates as “monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty” and provide clarity on how to distinguish changes in accounting policies from changes in accounting estimates.

The amendments further clarified that effects of a change in an input or measurement technique used to develop an accounting estimate (for example, expected credit losses, fair value of an asset or liability, and depreciation for property and equipment) is a change in accounting estimate, if they do not arise from prior period errors. The adoption of these amendments did not result in any material impact to the financial statements of the Group and the Bank.

Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction (Amendments to MFRS 112 Income Taxes)

The amendments clarified that the initial exemption rule from recognising deferred taxes does not apply to transactions where both an asset and a liability are recognised at the same time resulting in equal amounts of taxable and deductible temporary differences. This essentially means that lessees would not be able to apply the initial exemption rule in MFRS 112 for the assets and liabilities arising from leases. The adoption of these amendments did not result in any material impact to the financial statements of the Group and the Bank.

International Tax Reform - Pillar Two Model Rules (Amendments to MFRS 112 Income Taxes)

The amendments introduced a mandatory temporary exception to the accounting for deferred taxes arising from the jurisdictional implementation of the Pillar Two model rules. The adoption of these amendments did not result in any impact to the financial statements of the Group and the Bank as the Group's activities are principally conducted in Malaysia.

1.2 Standards issued but not yet effective

Description	Effective for annual periods beginning on or after
- Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to MFRS 16 Leases)	1 January 2024
- Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (Amendments to MFRS 101 Presentation of Financial Statements)	1 January 2024
- Supplier Finance Arrangements (Amendments to MFRS 107 Statement of Cash Flows and MFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures)	1 January 2024
- Lack of Exchangeability (Amendments to MFRS 121 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates)	1 January 2025
- Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (Amendments to MFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and MFRS 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures)	To be determined by MASB

The nature of the new amendments to published standards that are issued but not yet effective are described below. The Group and the Bank are assessing the financial effects of their adoption.

1. BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D.)

1.2 Standards issued but not yet effective (Cont'd.)

(a) Amendments to published standards effective for financial year ending 31 March 2025

Lease Liability in Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to MFRS 16 Leases)

The amendments clarified that, in subsequently measuring the lease liability, seller-lessee determines lease payments and revised leased payments in a way that does not recognise any amount of the gain or loss that relates to the right of use retained by the seller-lessee.

Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (Amendments to MFRS 101 Presentation of Financial Statements)

The amendments clarified that covenants of loan arrangements which an entity must comply with only after the reporting date would not affect classification of a liability as current or non-current at the reporting date. However, those covenants that an entity is required to comply with on or before reporting date would affect classification as current or non-current, even if the covenant is only assessed after the entity's reporting date.

Supplier Finance Arrangements (Amendments to MFRS 107 Statement of Cash Flows and MFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures)

The amendments introduced new disclosure requirements for supplier finance arrangements which include terms and conditions of supplier financing arrangements, the amounts of the liabilities that are the subject of such agreements, the range of payment due dates and information on liquidity risk.

(b) Amendments to published standards effective for financial year ending 31 March 2026

Lack of Exchangeability (Amendments to MFRS 121 The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates)

The amendments clarified when a currency is exchangeable into another currency and how an entity estimates a spot rate when a currency lacks exchangeability. New disclosure requirements include the nature and financial impacts of the currency not being exchangeable, spot exchange rate used, estimation process and risks to the entity when the currency is not exchangeable.

(c) Standard effective on a date to be determined by MASB

Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (Amendments to MFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and MFRS 128 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures)

The amendments clarify that:

- gains and losses resulting from transactions involving assets that do not constitute a business, between entity and its associate or joint venture are recognised in the entity's financial statements only to the extent of unrelated investors' interests in the associate or joint venture; and
- gains and losses resulting from transactions involving the sale or contribution to an associate of a joint venture of assets that constitute a business is recognised in full.

1.3 Significant Accounting Judgements, Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of the condensed interim financial statements in accordance with MFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and reported amounts of revenue, expenses, assets and liabilities, the accompanying disclosures and the disclosure of contingent liabilities. Judgements, estimates and assumptions are continually evaluated and are based on past experience, reasonable expectations of future events and other factors. Uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of assets and liabilities affected in future periods.

In the process of applying the Group's and the Bank's accounting policies, the significant judgements, estimates and assumptions made by management were the same as those applied to the annual financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023, except for the tax treatment of exceptional expenses incurred in the financial year ended 31 March 2021. For further details, refer to Note 31.

2. AUDIT QUALIFICATION

There was no audit qualification in the audited annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

3. SEASONALITY OR CYCLICALITY OF OPERATIONS

The operations of the Group and the Bank are not materially affected by any seasonal or cyclical fluctuation in the current financial quarter and period.

4. UNUSUAL ITEMS DUE TO THEIR NATURE, SIZE OR INCIDENCE

There were no unusual items during the current financial quarter and period.

5. CHANGES IN ESTIMATES

There was no material change in estimates of amounts reported in the prior financial years that have a material effect for the financial quarter and period ended 31 December 2023.

6. ISSUANCE AND REPAYMENT OF DEBT AND EQUITY SECURITIES

The Group and the Bank have not issued any new shares or debentures during the financial quarter and period.

There were no share buy-back, share cancellation, shares held as treasury shares nor resale of treasury shares by the Group and the Bank during the financial quarter and period.

7. DIVIDENDS

The final single-tier dividend of 23.90 sen per ordinary share on 314,035,088 ordinary shares was declared on 26 April 2023 amounting to RM75,054,386 in respect of financial year ended 31 March 2023 and was paid by the Bank on 16 June 2023.

The directors do not recommend the payment of any dividend in respect of the current financial period ended 31 December 2023.

8. CASH AND SHORT TERM FUNDS

	Group		Bank	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
Cash and bank balances	543,604	91,705	500,034	65,097
Deposit placements maturing within one month:				
Licensed banks	390,405	165,755	320,000	91,000
Bank Negara Malaysia	490,000	-	490,000	-
Other financial institutions	16,169	15,769	16,169	15,769
	<u>1,440,178</u>	<u>273,229</u>	<u>1,326,203</u>	<u>171,866</u>
Less: Allowances for ECL				
- Stage 1 -12-month ECL	(1)	-	(1)	-
	<u>1,440,177</u>	<u>273,229</u>	<u>1,326,202</u>	<u>171,866</u>

Movements in allowances for ECL are as follows:

Group and Bank	Stage 1 12-Month ECL RM'000	Total RM'000
At 31 December 2023		
Balance at beginning of the financial period	-	-
Net remeasurement of allowances (Note 22)	(1)	(1)
Balance at end of the financial period	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>
At 31 March 2023		
Balance at beginning of the financial year	2	2
Net remeasurement of allowances	(2)	(2)
Balance at end of the financial year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

9. DEPOSITS AND PLACEMENTS WITH A BANK

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Licensed bank, a related company	400,000	70,000
	<u>400,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>
Of which deposit and placements with original maturity of:		
Three months or less	-	70,000
More than three months	400,000	-
	<u>400,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>

10. FINANCIAL ASSETS AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
At Fair value		
Money Market Instruments:		
Malaysian Government Securities	30,354	30,480
Unquoted Securities:		
In Malaysia:		
Shares	2,766	2,960
Outside Malaysia:		
Shares	28	26
	<u>33,148</u>	<u>33,466</u>

11. FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS AT AMORTISED COST

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
At Amortised Cost:		
Unquoted Securities in Malaysia:		
Sukuk	75,000	75,000
	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>

12. LOANS AND ADVANCES

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
At Amortised Cost		
Share margin financing	891,508	809,495
Revolving credits	5,342	5,974
Staff loans	383	438
Gross loans and advances	<u>897,233</u>	<u>815,907</u>
Less: Allowance for impairment on loans and advances		
Allowances for ECL		
Stage 1 - 12 months expected credit loss ("ECL")	(1)	(1)
Net loans and advances	<u>897,232</u>	<u>815,906</u>

(a) Gross loans and advances analysed by type of customers are as follows:

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Domestic business enterprises:		
Small medium enterprises	31,765	35,119
Others	11,625	12,339
Individuals	848,116	762,555
Foreign individuals and entities	5,727	5,894
	<u>897,233</u>	<u>815,907</u>

(b) All loans and advances reside in Malaysia.

(c) Gross loans and advances analysed by interest rate sensitivity are as follows:

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Fixed rate		
Other fixed rate loans	-	809,495
Variable rate:		
Base rate and base lending rate plus	891,891	438
Cost-plus	5,342	5,974
	<u>897,233</u>	<u>815,907</u>

12. LOANS AND ADVANCES (CONT'D.)

(d) Gross loans and advances analysed by sector are as follows:

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Agriculture	351	368
Manufacturing	4,954	-
Construction	-	2,014
Wholesale and retail trade and hotels and restaurant	5,370	6,990
Transport, storage and communication	15,428	13,467
Real estate	789	1,646
Business activities	6,920	7,134
Education and health	9,576	9,705
Household, of which:	853,845	774,583
Purchase of residential properties	383	438
Purchase of securities	853,462	774,145
	897,233	815,907

(e) Gross loans and advances analysed by residual contractual maturity are as follows:

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Maturing within one year	896,899	815,525
Over one year to three years	57	83
Over three years to five years	174	81
Over five years	103	218
	897,233	815,907

(f) Movements in allowances for ECL are as follows:

Group and Bank	Stage 1
	12-Month
	ECL
	RM'000
At 31 December 2023	
Balance at the beginning/end of the financial period	1
At 31 March 2023	
Balance at beginning/end of the financial year	1

13. OTHER ASSETS

	Group		Bank	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
Trade receivables	395,405	271,463	384,551	258,546
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	33,076	29,355	17,395	15,090
Interest receivable	9,258	960	9,258	960
Tax recoverable	58,862	39,111	58,783	39,035
Margin deposits	119,553	95,400	119,553	95,400
Amount due from:				
Subsidiaries	-	-	3,329	3,679
Other related companies	11,767	472	11,763	472
	<u>627,921</u>	<u>436,761</u>	<u>604,632</u>	<u>413,182</u>
Less:				
Allowances for impairment	(4,349)	(4,023)	(4,047)	(3,283)
	<u>623,572</u>	<u>432,738</u>	<u>600,585</u>	<u>409,899</u>

14. DEPOSITS AND PLACEMENTS OF A BANK

The deposit placed with the Bank is by a related company.

15. OTHER LIABILITIES

	Group		Bank	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
Trade payables	364,846	294,138	364,846	294,138
Other payables and accruals	53,693	53,875	26,881	33,928
Interest payable	52,803	7,988	52,803	7,988
Provision for commitments and contingencies	146	173	146	173
Lease liabilities	2,387	2,864	2,387	2,864
Provision for reinstatement of leased properties	306	304	306	304
Amount due to related companies	10,883	14,146	9,029	9,835
	<u>485,064</u>	<u>373,488</u>	<u>456,398</u>	<u>349,230</u>

16. INTEREST INCOME

Group	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Cash and short-term funds	12,488	5,184	27,657	14,804
Financial investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	319	229	952	504
Financial investments at amortised cost	788	788	2,356	2,356
Loans and advances	13,361	9,990	38,225	27,623
Others	575	309	1,348	907
	<u>27,531</u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u>70,538</u>	<u>46,194</u>

Bank	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Cash and short-term funds	12,076	4,795	26,237	13,468
Financial investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	319	229	952	504
Financial investments at amortised cost	788	788	2,356	2,356
Loans and advances	13,361	9,990	38,225	27,623
Others	575	309	1,348	907
	<u>27,119</u>	<u>16,111</u>	<u>69,118</u>	<u>44,858</u>

17. INTEREST EXPENSE

Group	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Deposits and placements of a bank	20,293	6,487	47,420	16,770
Others	226	225	648	648
	<u>20,519</u>	<u>6,712</u>	<u>48,068</u>	<u>17,418</u>

Bank	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Deposits and placements of a bank	20,293	6,487	47,420	16,770
Others	190	189	537	540
	<u>20,483</u>	<u>6,676</u>	<u>47,957</u>	<u>17,310</u>

18. OTHER OPERATING INCOME

Group	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Fee and commission income:				
Fee and commission income that are provided over time:				
Corporate advisory	5,599	7,423	17,409	14,122
Fees on loans and securities				
Agency fees	790	819	2,357	2,440
Other loans and securities related fees	1,287	945	3,791	2,722
Portfolio management fees	10,624	11,372	31,050	31,953
Unit trust management fees	35,040	35,196	104,176	103,774
Wealth management fees	153	155	475	531
Fee and commission income from providing transaction services:				
Brokerage fees and commission	19,567	14,456	52,787	41,095
Corporate advisory	1,025	750	2,650	1,050
Fees on loans and securities				
Arrangement and upfront fees	18,884	8,943	26,250	12,628
Other loans and securities related fees	371	2,622	1,753	2,914
Portfolio management fees	-	-	7,985	-
Underwriting commission	-	59	-	2,551
Wealth management fees	5,500	4,086	10,692	14,769
Unit trust service charges	2,914	1,742	8,633	7,550
Placement fees	73	2,378	3,485	2,978
Other fee and commission income	1,717	989	3,986	3,002
	<u>103,544</u>	<u>91,935</u>	<u>277,479</u>	<u>244,079</u>
Investment and trading income:				
Dividend income from:				
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	98	146
Net foreign exchange (loss)/gain	(533)	(650)	818	1,535
Net gain from sale of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	-	2
	<u>(533)</u>	<u>(650)</u>	<u>916</u>	<u>1,683</u>
Other income:				
Net loss on disposal of property and equipment	-	-	-	(32)
Non-trading foreign exchange gain/(loss)	-	-	3	(9)
Rental income	570	581	1,734	1,753
Others	65	119	335	202
	<u>635</u>	<u>700</u>	<u>2,072</u>	<u>1,914</u>
	<u>103,646</u>	<u>91,985</u>	<u>280,467</u>	<u>247,676</u>

18. OTHER OPERATING INCOME (CONT'D.)

Bank	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December 2023	31 December 2022	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Fee and commission income:				
Fee and commission income that are provided over time:				
Corporate advisory	5,599	7,423	17,409	14,122
Fees on loans and securities				
Agency fees	790	819	2,357	2,440
Other loans and securities related fees	1,287	945	3,791	2,722
Portfolio management fees	210	249	671	824
Wealth management fees	4,234	3,935	12,441	11,898
Fee and commission income from providing transaction services:				
Brokerage fees and commission	19,567	14,456	52,787	41,095
Corporate advisory	1,025	750	2,650	1,050
Fees on loans and securities				
Arrangement and upfront fees	18,884	8,943	26,250	12,628
Other loans and securities related fees	371	2,622	1,753	2,914
Underwriting commission	-	59	-	2,551
Wealth management fees	5,504	4,119	10,709	14,834
Placement fees	73	2,378	3,485	2,978
Other fee and commission income	1,988	1,067	4,518	3,329
	<u>59,532</u>	<u>47,765</u>	<u>138,821</u>	<u>113,385</u>
Investment and trading income:				
Dividend income from :				
Subsidiaries	-	24,600	39,890	66,000
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	98	146
Net foreign exchange (loss)/gain	(244)	70	714	1,676
Net gain from sale of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	-	-	-	2
	<u>(244)</u>	<u>24,670</u>	<u>40,702</u>	<u>67,824</u>
Other income:				
Net loss on disposal of property and equipment	-	-	-	(32)
Rental income	571	582	1,737	1,757
Others	60	114	316	181
	<u>631</u>	<u>696</u>	<u>2,053</u>	<u>1,906</u>
	<u>59,919</u>	<u>73,131</u>	<u>181,576</u>	<u>183,115</u>

19. DIRECT COSTS

Group	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December 2023	31 December 2022	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Brokerage commission	7,655	5,083	19,679	13,993
Unit trust commission	7,556	6,495	22,354	22,013
Others	3,800	2,722	9,549	9,932
	<u>19,011</u>	<u>14,300</u>	<u>51,582</u>	<u>45,938</u>
Bank				
Brokerage commission	7,655	5,083	19,679	13,993
Others	3,800	2,722	9,549	9,932
	<u>11,455</u>	<u>7,805</u>	<u>29,228</u>	<u>23,925</u>

20. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

Group	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 December 2022 RM'000
Personnel costs				
- Salaries, allowances and bonuses	24,247	25,623	73,768	70,085
- Contributions to Employees' Provident Fund ("EPF")/Private Retirement Schemes	3,889	4,041	11,849	11,100
- Share granted under AMMB Executives' Share Scheme ("ESS") - charge	472	544	2,070	1,635
- Social security costs	154	151	461	410
- Others	3,129	3,066	7,156	7,119
	<u>31,891</u>	<u>33,425</u>	<u>95,304</u>	<u>90,349</u>
Establishment costs				
- Amortisation of intangible assets	263	236	961	705
- Cleaning, maintenance and security	341	204	1,690	964
- Computerisation costs	3,248	3,710	9,092	9,274
- Depreciation of property and equipment	447	443	1,321	1,333
- Depreciation of right-of-use asset	168	159	504	476
- Finance costs:				
- interest on lease liability	20	24	63	75
- provision for reinstatement of leased properties	1	1	3	2
- Rental of premises	1,451	1,722	4,330	5,162
- Others	236	142	536	597
	<u>6,175</u>	<u>6,641</u>	<u>18,500</u>	<u>18,588</u>
Marketing and communication expenses				
- Advertising, promotional and other marketing activities	388	142	686	345
- Sales commission	8	7	22	21
- Travelling and entertainment	330	248	888	603
- Communication expenses	625	329	1,287	1,048
- Others	366	169	815	588
	<u>1,717</u>	<u>895</u>	<u>3,698</u>	<u>2,605</u>
Administration and general expenses				
- Professional fees	3,300	3,027	9,973	9,491
- Travelling	42	67	203	253
- Others	3,352	3,429	10,675	9,725
	<u>6,694</u>	<u>6,523</u>	<u>20,851</u>	<u>19,469</u>
Service transfer pricing - expense, net (Note 1)	8,779	5,543	25,957	17,673
	<u>55,256</u>	<u>53,027</u>	<u>164,310</u>	<u>148,684</u>

Note 1: Higher service transfer pricing ("STP") expense mainly from the revision in allocation methodology of STP expenses.

20. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES (CONTD.)

Bank	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Personnel costs				
- Salaries, allowances and bonuses	16,170	17,547	47,970	48,136
- Contributions to EPF/Private Retirement Schemes	2,575	2,762	7,674	7,608
- Share granted under AMMB ESS - charge	340	394	1,473	1,258
- Social security costs	99	99	298	269
- Others	1,783	1,879	4,542	4,926
	<u>20,967</u>	<u>22,681</u>	<u>61,957</u>	<u>62,197</u>
Establishment costs				
- Amortisation of intangible assets	186	138	692	423
- Cleaning, maintenance and security	231	177	1,532	898
- Computerisation costs	3,037	3,426	8,434	8,942
- Depreciation of property and equipment	414	405	1,209	1,202
- Depreciation of right-of-use asset	168	159	504	476
- Finance costs:				
- interest on lease liability	20	24	63	74
- provision for reinstatement of leased properties	1	1	3	3
- Rental of premises	1,131	1,299	3,370	3,894
- Others	213	123	485	541
	<u>5,401</u>	<u>5,752</u>	<u>16,292</u>	<u>16,453</u>
Marketing and communication expenses				
- Advertising, promotional and other marketing activities	276	105	416	191
- Sales commission	8	7	22	21
- Travelling and entertainment	287	211	763	528
- Communication expenses	309	251	733	799
- Others	305	98	614	321
	<u>1,185</u>	<u>672</u>	<u>2,548</u>	<u>1,860</u>
Administration and general expenses				
- Professional fees	531	434	1,589	1,214
- Travelling	41	62	193	241
- Others	1,401	1,383	4,343	4,170
	<u>1,973</u>	<u>1,879</u>	<u>6,125</u>	<u>5,625</u>
Service transfer pricing - expense, net (Note 1)	7,618	4,532	22,284	14,161
	<u>37,144</u>	<u>35,516</u>	<u>109,206</u>	<u>100,296</u>

Note 1: Higher service transfer pricing ("STP") expense mainly from the revision in allocation methodology of STP expense.

21. IMPAIRED LOANS AND ADVANCES RECOVERED, NET

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Group and Bank				
Impaired loans and advances recovered, net	-	-	359	-

22. (ALLOWANCE FOR)/ WRITEBACK OF IMPAIRMENT ON OTHER FINANCIAL ASSETS

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Group				
Cash and short term funds	-	-	(1)	2
Other assets	(505)	153	(768)	(786)
	<u>(505)</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>(769)</u>	<u>(784)</u>
Bank				
Cash and short term funds	-	-	(1)	2
Other assets	(506)	153	(772)	(786)
	<u>(506)</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>(773)</u>	<u>(784)</u>

23. BASIC/DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE

	Individual Quarter		Cumulative Quarter	
	31 December	31 December	31 December	31 December
	2023	2022	2023	2022
Group				
Net profit attributable to shareholder of the Group (RM'000)	<u>84,395</u>	<u>26,884</u>	<u>121,137</u>	<u>63,367</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	<u>314,035</u>	<u>314,035</u>	<u>314,035</u>	<u>314,035</u>
Basic/diluted earnings per share (sen)	<u>26.9</u>	<u>8.6</u>	<u>38.6</u>	<u>20.2</u>

24. BUSINESS SEGMENT ANALYSIS

Segment information is presented in respect of the Group's business segments. The business segment information is prepared based on internal management reports, which are regularly reviewed by the Chief Operating Decision-Maker in order to allocate resources to segment and to assess its performance. The division forms the basis on which the Group reports its segment information.

i. The Group comprises the following main business segments:

(a) Investment banking

The Investment Banking division of the Group offers a full range of investment banking solutions and services, encompassing the following business segments:

- (i) Equity Markets – provides clients an investment avenue to participate in the equity markets through its multiple distribution channels, including remisiers, Bank Branch Broking, salaried dealers, and the internet trading platform, offering clients the flexibility to trade equities and futures both online and offline.
- (ii) Fund Management – comprises the asset and fund management services, offering a variety of investment solutions for various asset classes to retail, corporate and institutional clients.
- (iii) Private Banking – manages the private wealth of high net worth individuals, family groups and companies by offering comprehensive wealth management solutions and integrated access to expertise and resources of AMMB Group.
- (iv) Corporate Finance – provides an extensive range of corporate finance and advisory services which include mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, take-overs, initial public offerings, restructuring, privatisations, issuance of equity and equity-linked instruments as well as valuation support.
- (v) Debt Markets – provides debt financing solutions to clients through a wide array of products which include conventional corporate bonds and Islamic sukuk, loan syndication, capital and project advisory as well as structured finance and securitization deals.
- (vi) Others – other Investment Banking supporting function within the Group.

(b) Group Funding and Others

Group Funding and Others comprises activities to maintain the liquidity of the Group as well as support operations of its main business units and non-core operations of the Group.

ii. Measurement of Segment Performance

The segment performance is measured on income, expenses and profit basis. These are shown after allocation of certain centralised cost, funding income and expenses and expenses directly associated with each segment. Transactions between segments are recorded within the segment as if they are third party transactions and are eliminated on aggregation.

Note:

- (i) The Chief Operating Decision Maker relies primarily on the net fee income information to assess the performance of, and to make decisions about resources to be allocated to these operating segments.
- (ii) The financial information by geographical segment is not presented as the Group's activities are principally conducted in Malaysia.
- (iii) The comparatives have been restated to conform with current business realignment.

24. BUSINESS SEGMENT ANALYSIS (CONT'D.)

For the financial period ended 31 December 2023 Group	Investment Banking						Group Funding and Others RM'000	Total RM'000
	Equity Markets RM'000	Fund Management RM'000	Private Banking RM'000	Corporate Finance RM'000	Debt Markets RM'000	Others RM'000		
External net income	79,775	119,815	21,783	17,701	25,716	181	(13,616)	251,355
Intersegments net income	(29,549)	-	(147)	(55)	97	79	29,575	-
Net income	50,226	119,815	21,636	17,646	25,813	260	15,959	251,355
Net interest income/(expense)	14,133	1,304	51	(55)	97	79	6,861	22,470
Other operating income, net of direct costs	36,093	118,511	21,584	17,701	25,716	181	9,099	228,885
Net income	50,226	119,815	21,635	17,646	25,813	260	15,960	251,355
Other operating expenses	(38,567)	(57,271)	(19,381)	(13,065)	(10,574)	(16,466)	(8,986)	(164,310)
<i>of which:</i>								
<i>Depreciation of property and equipment</i>	(394)	(113)	(88)	(38)	(19)	(38)	(631)	(1,321)
<i>Depreciation of right-of-use assets</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	(504)	(504)
<i>Amortisation of intangible assets</i>	(319)	(269)	(32)	(433)	(1)	145	(52)	(961)
Operating profit/(loss)	11,659	62,544	2,254	4,581	15,239	(16,206)	6,974	87,045
Impaired loans and advances recovered, net	359	-	-	-	-	-	-	359
Net writeback of allowance/(allowance) for:								
Other financial assets	4	5	-	(90)	(686)	-	(2)	(769)
Other non-financial assets	-	(129)	-	-	-	-	(1,057)	(1,186)
Reversal of provision for commitments and contingencies	-	-	-	-	-	-	27	27
Profit/(loss) before taxation	12,022	62,420	2,254	4,491	14,553	(16,206)	5,942	85,476
Taxation	(2,886)	(14,592)	(541)	(1,078)	(3,492)	3,890	54,360	35,661
Profit/(loss) for the period	9,136	47,828	1,713	3,413	11,061	(12,316)	60,302	121,137
Other information:								
Total segment assets	1,488,432	143,110	6,939	5,742	2,264	253	1,942,419	3,589,159
Total segment liabilities	369,689	32,778	2,035	3,112	3,743	3,650	2,570,057	2,985,064
Cost to income ratio	76.8%	47.8%	89.6%	74.0%	41.0%	>100%	56.3%	65.4%
Gross loans and advances	891,508	-	5,342	-	-	-	383	897,233
Net loans and advances	891,508	-	5,342	-	-	-	382	897,232
Total deposits and placements	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,500,000	2,500,000
Additions to:								
Property and equipment	184	84	345	26	-	1	163	803
Intangible assets	987	155	-	-	-	-	425	1,567

24. BUSINESS SEGMENT ANALYSIS (CONT'D.)

For the financial period ended 30 September 2022 Group (Restated)	Investment Banking						Group Funding and Others RM'000	Total RM'000
	Equity Markets RM'000	Fund Management RM'000	Private Banking RM'000	Corporate Finance RM'000	Debt Markets RM'000	Others RM'000		
External net income	62,042	111,767	24,703	14,224	19,472	84	(1,778)	230,514
Intersegments net income	(15,496)	-	(138)	(16)	30	10	15,610	-
Net income	46,546	111,767	24,565	14,208	19,502	94	13,832	230,514
Net interest income	18,001	1,211	62	(16)	30	10	9,478	28,776
Other operating income, net of direct costs	28,544	110,556	24,502	14,224	19,472	84	4,356	201,738
Net income	46,545	111,767	24,564	14,208	19,502	94	13,834	230,514
Other operating expenses	(37,580)	(50,490)	(17,785)	(13,558)	(9,820)	(17,449)	(2,002)	(148,684)
<i>of which:</i>								
<i>Depreciation of property and equipment</i>	(381)	(130)	(76)	(39)	(23)	(38)	(646)	(1,333)
<i>Depreciation of right-of-use assets</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	(476)	(476)
<i>Amortisation of intangible assets</i>	(304)	(282)	(66)	(7)	(2)	(36)	(8)	(705)
Operating profit/(loss)	8,965	61,277	6,779	650	9,682	(17,355)	11,832	81,830
Net writeback of allowance/(allowance) for other financial assets	59	-	-	314	(1,159)	-	2	(784)
Profit/(loss) before taxation	9,024	61,277	6,779	964	8,523	(17,355)	11,834	81,046
Taxation	(2,167)	(11,763)	(1,627)	(231)	(2,045)	4,165	(4,011)	(17,679)
Profit/(loss) for the period	6,857	49,514	5,152	733	6,478	(13,190)	7,823	63,367
Other information:								
Total segment assets	1,233,196	113,773	8,479	2,994	2,008	1,369	873,732	2,235,551
Total segment liabilities	377,349	26,364	2,315	3,008	3,377	3,017	1,280,643	1,696,073
Cost to income ratio	80.7%	45.2%	72.4%	95.4%	50.4%	>100%	14.5%	64.5%
Gross loans and advances	742,012	-	7,033	-	-	-	455	749,500
Net loans and advances	742,012	-	7,033	-	-	-	454	749,499
Total deposits and placements	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,260,000	1,260,000
Additions to:								
Property and equipment	242	76	42	16	-	21	323	720
Intangible assets	91	668	-	-	-	1,031	537	2,327

25. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

In the normal course of business, the Group and the Bank make various commitments and incur certain contingent liabilities with legal recourse to its customers. No material losses are anticipated as a result of these transactions. The commitments and contingencies are not secured against the Group's and the Bank's assets.

The principal amounts of the commitments and contingencies and notional contracted amounts of derivatives of the Group and the Bank are as follows:

	Group and Bank	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Commitments		
Other commitments, such as formal standby facilities and credit lines, with an original maturity of up to one year	214,542	232,402
Contingent Liabilities		
Obligations under an on-going underwriting agreement	17,012	-
Derivative Financial Instruments		
Foreign exchange related contracts:		
- One year or less	87	1,249
	231,641	233,651

26. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Determination of fair value and fair value hierarchy

The Group and the Bank measure fair value using the following fair value hierarchy, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements.

Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2: other techniques for which all inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value are observable, either directly or indirectly;

Level 3: techniques which use inputs which have a significant effect on the recorded fair value that are not based on observable market data.

For assets and liabilities measured at fair value that are recognised on a recurring basis, the Group and the Bank determine whether transfers have occurred between Levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

Financial assets and liabilities measured using a valuation technique based on assumptions that are supported by prices from observable current market transactions are assets and liabilities for which pricing is obtained via pricing services, but where prices have not been determined in an active market, financial assets with fair values based on broker quotes, investments in private equity funds with fair values obtained via fund managers and assets that are valued using the AMMB Group's own models whereby the majority of assumptions are market observable.

Non-market observable inputs means that fair values are determined, in whole or in part, using a valuation technique (model) based on assumptions that are neither supported by prices from observable current market transactions in the same instrument, nor are they based on available market data. The main asset classes in this category are unlisted equity investments and debt instruments. Valuation techniques are used to the extent that observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing for situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. However, the fair value measurement objective remains the same, that is, an exit price from the perspective of the Group or the Bank. Therefore, unobservable inputs reflect the Group's and the Bank's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability (including assumptions about risk). These inputs are developed based on the best information available, which might include the Group's and the Bank's own data as well as financial information from the counterparties. Unquoted equity investments at FVOCI are measured using adjusted net asset based on available market information.

8.4% (31 March 2023 : 8.9%) of the Group's and the Bank's total financial assets recorded at fair value, are based on estimates and recorded as Level 3 investments. Where estimates are used, these are based on a combination of independent third-party evidence and internally developed models, calibrated to market observable data where possible. While such valuations are sensitive to estimates, it is believed that changing one or more of the assumptions to reasonably possible alternative assumptions would not change the fair value significantly.

There was no transfer between Level 1 and Level 2 during the current financial quarter and previous financial year for the Group and the Bank.

26. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONT'D.)

(a) The following tables show the Group's and the Bank's financial instruments that are measured at fair value at the reporting date analysed by levels within the fair value hierarchy.

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	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Assets measured at fair value				
Financial investments at fair value through other comprehensive income				
- Money market securities	-	30,354	-	30,354
- Unquoted shares	-	-	2,794	2,794
	-	30,354	2,794	33,148

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	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Assets measured at fair value				
Financial investments at fair value through other comprehensive income				
- Money market securities	-	30,480	-	30,480
- Unquoted shares	-	-	2,986	2,986
	-	30,480	2,986	33,466
Liability measured at fair value				
Derivative financial liabilities	4	-	-	4

26. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (CONT'D.)

Movements In Level 3 financial instruments measured at fair value

The level of the fair value hierarchy of financial instruments is determined at the beginning of each reporting period. The following table shows a reconciliation of the opening and closing amounts of Level 3 financial assets which are recorded at fair value:

	Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	
	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Group and Bank		
At beginning of the financial period/year	2,986	3,152
Unrealised loss on changes in fair value taken up in statement of comprehensive income	(192)	(166)
At end of the financial period/year	<u>2,794</u>	<u>2,986</u>

Total loss or gain included in the statement of comprehensive income for financial instruments held at the end of reporting period/year:

	31 December	31 March
	2023	2023
	RM'000	RM'000
Financial investments at fair value through other comprehensive income		
Unrealised loss in fair value reserve	<u>(192)</u>	<u>(166)</u>

There were no transfers between Level 2 and Level 3 financial instruments during the current financial period and previous financial year for the Group and the Bank.

Impact on fair value of Level 3 financial instruments measured at fair value arising from changes to key assumptions.

Changing one or more of the inputs to reasonable alternative assumptions would not change the value significantly for the financial assets in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

27. CAPITAL ADEQUACY

(a) The capital adequacy ratios of the Group and the Bank are as follows:

Under transitional arrangement (Note (i))	Group	Bank
As at 31 December 2023 *		
Common Equity Tier 1 ("CET1") Capital Ratio	26.758%	28.542%
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	26.758%	28.542%
Total Capital Ratio	27.408%	29.339%
As at 31 March 2023		
Before deducting proposed dividends:		
CET1 Capital Ratio	40.806%	43.205%
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	40.806%	43.205%
Total Capital Ratio	41.427%	43.993%
After deducting proposed dividends:		
CET1 Capital Ratio	34.646%	35.067%
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	34.646%	35.067%
Total Capital Ratio	35.267%	35.856%

* No interim dividend is proposed for the period ended 31 December 2023.

Notes:

(i) The capital adequacy ratios of the Group and of the Bank are computed in accordance with BNM's policy document on Capital Adequacy Framework (Capital Components) issued on 9 December 2020 and Capital Adequacy Framework (Basel II – Risk Weighted Assets) issued on 3 May 2019. The Group and the Bank have adopted the Standardised Approach for Credit and Market Risks and the Basic Indicator Approach for Operational Risk, based on BNM's Guidelines on Capital Adequacy Framework (Basel II - Risk Weighted Assets).

Pursuant to the revised BNM policy document, Capital Adequacy Framework (Capital Component) issued on 9 December 2020, the capital ratios had been computed by applying transitional arrangements. Under the transitional arrangements, the Group and the Bank are allowed to add back the amount of loss allowance for non credit impaired exposure (ie: stage 1 and stage 2 provision) to CET1 Capital. Had the transitional arrangements not been applied, the impact to the capital ratios of the Group and the Bank is not material.

(ii) Pursuant to the BNM's guidelines on Capital Adequacy Framework (Capital Components) issued, a financial institution is required to hold and maintain, at all times, minimum capital adequacy ratios at 4.5% for CET1 Capital, 6.0% for Tier 1 Capital and 8.0% for Total Capital Ratio. In addition, a financial institution is also required to hold and maintain capital buffers in the form of CET1 Capital above the minimum CET1 Capital, Tier 1 Capital and Total Capital adequacy levels. The capital buffers shall comprise the sum of the following:

- (a) a Capital Conservation Buffer ("CCB") of 2.5%;
- (b) a Countercyclical Capital Buffer ("CCyB") determined as the weighted-average of the prevailing CCyB rates applied in the jurisdictions in which the banking institution has credit exposures. BNM will communicate any decision on the CCyB rate by up to 12 months before the date from which the rate applies for exposures in Malaysia; and
- (c) a Higher Loss Absorbency ("HLA") requirement for a financial institution that is designated as a domestic systemically important bank ("DSIB").

27. CAPITAL ADEQUACY (CONT'D.)

(b) The components of CET1, Tier 2 Capital and Total Capital of the Group and the Bank are as follows:

	Group		Bank	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
CET1 Capital				
Share capital	330,000	330,000	330,000	330,000
Retained earnings	128,558	130,688	163,792	126,419
Fair value reserve	1,916	2,259	1,916	2,259
Regulatory reserve	11,130	10,478	11,130	10,478
Capital reserve	2,815	2,815	-	-
Merger reserve	82,115	82,115	-	-
Less : Regulatory adjustments applied on CET 1 capital:				
Goodwill	(36,442)	(36,442)	-	-
Other intangible assets	(3,941)	(4,764)	(2,893)	(3,462)
Deferred tax assets	(45,116)	(8,257)	(42,920)	(5,664)
55% of Fair value reserve	(1,054)	(1,243)	(1,054)	(1,243)
Regulatory reserve	(11,130)	(10,478)	(11,130)	(10,478)
Investments in capital instruments of unconsolidated financial entities	-	-	(49,809)	(49,809)
Other CET1 regulatory adjustments specified by the BNM	5	1	5	1
CET1 Capital/Tier 1 Capital	458,856	497,172	399,037	398,501
Tier 2 Capital				
General provisions*	11,138	7,564	11,138	7,276
Tier 2 Capital	11,138	7,564	11,138	7,276
Total Capital	469,994	504,736	410,175	405,777

*Consists of stage 1 and stage 2 loss allowances and regulatory reserve.

The breakdown of risk-weighted assets("RWA") of the Group and the Bank in the various risk categories are as follows:

	Group		Bank	
	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000	31 December 2023 RM'000	31 March 2023 RM'000
Credit RWA	1,045,449	605,137	1,014,973	582,070
Market RWA	50,051	13,661	40,453	6,231
Operational RWA	619,308	599,570	342,628	334,056
Total RWA	1,714,808	1,218,368	1,398,054	922,357

28. PERFORMANCE REVIEW FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Group's profit before taxation for the nine months ended 31 December 2023 of RM85.5million was higher mainly due to higher arrangement and upfront fees, brokerage fees and commissions, corporate advisory fees and portfolio management fees offset by lower wealth management fees and underwriting commission, higher personnel and service transfer pricing expenses.

In the opinion of the directors, the results of operations of the Group for the financial period have not been substantially affected by any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature.

29. PROSPECTS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024 ("FY24")

During the final quarter of 2023, Malaysia's economy expanded by 3.0% year-on-year ("YoY") at a slower pace compared to the previous quarter's 3.3%. This translates into a full year 2023 growth of 3.7% YoY, falling short of the Department of Statistics Malaysia ("DOSM")'s advance estimate of 3.4% YoY quarterly growth and 3.8% YoY annual growth. The full-year performance also came in lower than the government's target of 4.0%-5.0%. The slower growth was a result of a high base effect from 2022, exacerbated by the soft external demand among Malaysia's major trading partners. Nonetheless, sectoral-wise, we saw that the services sector continued to expand at a healthy pace of 4.2% YoY in that quarter. Besides, the mining & quarrying sector posted decent growth of 3.8% YoY, recovering from a 0.1% YoY decline in the prior quarter.

The prospects for global economic conditions in 2024 appear to be mixed. Despite the prolonged high interest rate environment, the International Monetary Fund expects the global economy to grow by 3.1% (projection revised higher from 2.9%), which is the same as 2023's estimate. Globally, the outlook on the manufacturing sector has slightly improved as the latest Global Manufacturing Purchasing Manager's Index ("PMI") has reached a growth threshold of 50, the first time it has done that since August 2022. Furthermore, inflation in most major economies continues to show a downward trend after it peaked in 2022. In the United States, the Federal Reserve's ("Fed") fight against inflation seems well underway as inflation and core inflation are receding, albeit remaining elevated and above the central bank's target of 2%. Conversely, the World Bank anticipates global growth to slow to 2.4% in 2024 from an estimated 2.6% in 2023 as concerns regarding the full effects of unprecedentedly tight monetary policy on local economies and slump in global trade remain. Nonetheless, we continue to expect the Federal Funds Rate to remain high at the moment. Similarly, rates are likely to remain high in the United Kingdom and the Eurozone, with signs of softer economic activity amid a tight monetary environment already becoming apparent in that economy.

We anticipate continued support for growth from domestic demand and recovery in the external trade for 2024. Despite the already moderating private consumption, tourism and related sectors are still improving and have yet to reach their pre-pandemic levels. Furthermore, exports may recover in 2024 as the global technology cycle may have bottomed out and is underway for robust growth. Market indicators suggest that the semiconductor industry reached its low point at the end of first half 2023 and has since embarked on a path to recovery, offering positive prospects for 2024. Malaysia's leading index and S&P Manufacturing PMI are slowly on an uptrend. Overall, Malaysia's economy is anticipated to grow by 4.5% in 2024.

In Malaysia's banking industry, the overall outstanding loans expanded by 5.3% in December 2023. While the non-household segment loans expanded slower at 4.5%, household loans remained healthy at 5.8%. As the economy is expected to moderate in 2024, we expect relatively subdued loan growth in the range of 4.0% to 5.0% for the year. The overall banking system remains healthy, underpinned by strong liquidity. This is reflected by the liquidity coverage ratio, registering at 160.9% in December 2023 (November 2023: 149.7%). The funding profile was also well-diversified, with December 2023's loan-to-fund ratio and loan-to-fund-and-equity ratio at 81.9% and 71.6%, respectively (November 2023: 82.4% and 72.0%, respectively).

On the Overnight Policy Rate ("OPR"), with core inflation being modest so far due to slower hiring activities and the lag effect from the 125 bps cumulative rate hikes, we expect the OPR to stay at 3.0% until the end of 2024. Inflation is expected to be between 2.5%-3.5% in 2024. Nevertheless, the upside risk to inflation is expected to come from subsidy rationalisation affecting fuel, which is expected to be implemented as early as second quarter of 2024. Should the situation later translate into persistently high inflation, or private consumption continues to moderate in the first half of 2024, then there is a case to revisit our current OPR call.

On the back of this, the Malaysian financial capital markets are expected to remain positive in FY2024. Activities across Corporate Finance, Debt Markets, Equity Capital and Mergers & Acquisitions are expected to pick up pace, supported by a recovery in economic activities. Government has implemented a number of measures to support businesses to create a more favourable environment for businesses to access financing, which will also see more demand for capital market services.

29. PROSPECTS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2024 ("FY24") (CONT'D.)

With an encouraging performance for the third quarter of FY2024, Funds Management is expected to continue this trajectory mainly driven by institutional and corporate flows. We have launched an Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") fund on Global Lower Carbon Equity Fund and intend to convert several existing conventional funds into Sustainable and Responsible Investment ("SRI") funds and we will leverage on these to further strengthen our position with institution and corporate clients.

On Equity market, we are seeing a pick up in Bursa volume and value which will contribute positively to increase in brokerage income and we expect the trend to continue its current trajectory for the rest of financial year. To further strengthen our market share and remain competitive, we are in the midst of upgrading the trading platform to better serve our customers.

30. VALUATION OF PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Property and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses (if any).

31. SIGNIFICANT EVENT DURING THE REPORTING YEAR

The Bank has mutually agreed with Lembaga Hasil Dalam Negeri Malaysia on the tax treatment of exceptional expenses incurred in the financial year ended 31 March 2021. As a result, the total tax deduction for the Bank amounted to RM70.7 million. In the previous financial year, the Bank had recognised a portion of tax deduction amounted to RM13.6 million as tax recoverable. The remaining tax deduction of RM57.1 million was recognised by the Bank during the current financial period.