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## Da Sen Holdings Group Limited 大森控股集團有限公司

(Incorporated in the Cayman Islands with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 1580)

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

The board of directors (the "Board") of Da Sen Holdings Group Limited (the "Company") is pleased to announce the unaudited consolidated results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended June 30, 2022. This interim financial information has not been audited but has been reviewed by the Company's Audit Committee.

#### **SUMMARY**

- Consolidated revenue decreased by 57.5 percent to RMB34.9 million
- Consolidated operating loss before tax decreased by 52.0 percent to RMB15.7 million
- Gross loss margin decreased by 86.7 percent to 2.2 percent
- Loss attributable to shareholders of the Company amounted to RMB15.8 million
- Basic loss per share: RMB2.25 cents
- The Board did not declare the payment of an interim dividend

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2022

		Six months ended 30 June		
	Notes	2022 <i>RMB'000</i> (unaudited)	2021 <i>RMB'000</i> (unaudited)	
Revenue Cost of sales	7	34,879 (35,661)	82,113 (95,684)	
Gross loss Selling and distribution expenses Administrative expenses Allowance for expected credit losses, net Other income, gains or (losses) Finance costs		(782) (339) (6,526) (4,858) (225) (2,953)	(13,571) (543) (15,130) (888) (2) (2,561)	
Loss before tax Income tax expense	8 9	(15,683)	(32,695)	
Loss and total comprehensive expenses for the period attributable to the shareholders of the Company		(15,766)	(32,695) (restated)	
Loss per share attributable to the shareholders of the Company				
<ul> <li>Basic and diluted (expressed in RMB cents per share)</li> </ul>	11	(2.25)	(4.67)	

## INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As of 30 June 2022

	Notes	30 June 2022 <i>RMB'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>RMB'000</i> (audited)
ASSETS			
Non-current assets	12	2 904	7.252
Right-of-use assets	12 13	2,804	7,352
Property, plant and equipment	13 14	18,054	37,425
Investment properties	14	67,267	45,160
		88,125	89,937
Current assets			
Inventories		3,923	5,116
Trade and other receivables	15	77,335	82,373
Cash and cash equivalents		1,301	3,259
		82,559	90,748
Total assets		170,684	180,685
EQUITY			
Equity attributable to shareholders of the Company	1.6	0.700	0.500
Share capital	16	8,592	8,592
Share premium Other reserves	16	212,502	212,502
		52,942	52,942
Accumulated losses		(239,682)	(223,916)
		34,354	50,120

	Notes	30 June 2022 <i>RMB'000</i> (unaudited)	31 December 2021 <i>RMB'000</i> (audited)
LIABILITIES  Non-current liability		254	267
Current liabilities Trade and other payables Deferred income Receipt in advance Tax payables Amount due to related parties Borrowings	17 18	254 55,985 25 2,375 7,168 6,910 63,613	53,983 25 240 7,168 6,235 62,647
		136,076	130,298
Total liabilities		136,330	130,565
Total equity and liabilities		170,684	180,685

# INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Unaudited Equity attributable to the shareholders of the Company						
	Share capital (Note 16) RMB'000	Share premium (Note 16) RMB'000	Other reserves RMB'000	Accumulated losses RMB'000	Total <i>RMB'000</i>		
At 1 January 2022	8,592	212,502	52,942	(223,916)	50,120		
Loss and total comprehensive expenses for the period ended 30 June 2022				(15,766)	(15,766)		
At 30 June 2022	8,592	212,502	52,942	(239,682)	34,354		
At 1 January 2021	8,592	212,502	52,942	(104,765)	169,271		
Loss and total comprehensive expenses for the period ended 30 June 2021				(32,695)	(32,695)		
At 30 June 2021	8,592	212,502	52,942	(137,460)	136,576		

## INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Six months ended 30 June		
	2022	2021	
	RMB'000	RMB'000	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	
Operating activities			
Cash used in operations	(1,352)	(2,747)	
Interest received	1	_	
Interest paid	(1,320)	_	
Income tax paid	(83)		
Net cash used in operating activities	(2,754)	(2,747)	
Financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	1,998	_	
Repayments of borrowings	(1,202)	(2,593)	
Net cash from (used in) financing activities	796	(2,593)	
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(1,958)	(5,340)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period	3,259	5,763	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	1,301	423	

## NOTES TO THE INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Da Sen Holdings Group Limited ("the Company") is a limited liability company incorporated in the Cayman Islands. The address of its registered office and principal place of business is Cricket Square, Hutchins Drive, P.O. box 2681, Grand Cayman KY1-1111, Cayman Islands and Room 2703, 27th Floor, K. Wah Centre, No. 191 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong, respectively. The Company's shares have been listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited since 19 December 2016.

The principal activities of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") are manufacturing and selling of plywood and leasing.

These interim condensed consolidated financial information are presented in RMB, unless otherwise stated. All values are rounded to the nearest RMB thousand ("RMB'000"), unless otherwise used.

These interim condensed consolidated financial information have been reviewed by the audit committee of the Company and have been approved for issue by the Board on 26 August 2022.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

This interim condensed consolidated financial information have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards ("IAS") 34, "Interim Financial Reporting" issued by the International Accounting Standards Board as well as the applicable disclosure requirements of Appendix 16 to the Rules Governing the Listing Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

#### Going concern basis

For the six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group incurred a net loss of RMB15,766,000 and recorded a net operating cash outflow of RMB2,754,000. As at 30 June 2022, the Group recorded a net current liabilities of RMB53,517,000, where the Group's current borrowings amounted to RMB63,613,000 in total, including bonds payables of RMB27,860,000 in Hong Kong, bank borrowings of RMB9,000,000 and other loan of RMB26,753,000 from independent third parties in both the PRC and Hong Kong, while the Group's cash and cash equivalents amounted to RMB1,301,000 only.

In respect of the bonds payables in Hong Kong, the Company had defaulted to pay the interests on all of the bonds in the year ended 31 December 2020, thereby triggered the default redemption clause of the bond contracts. As a result of the default in interest payment, the outstanding bonds payables which amounted to RMB29,037,000 as at 31 December 2020 became immediately repayable if requested by the bond holder creditors and these were reclassified as current liabilities as at 31 December 2020. In addition, the Company received several writs of summons and a statutory demand from the bond holder creditors in relation to the overdue payments of the bonds' principals and interests. During the year ended 31 December 2021, the District Court of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region ordered that judgment be entered in favour of the bond holder creditors against the Company for the principal amounts and interests accrued.

In respect of the bank borrowings in the PRC, the Group defaulted to repay three borrowings from a bank in the PRC, totaling RMB18,900,000, which was due for repayment in January and February 2021. During the year ended 31 December 2021, the bank filed a petition to the People's Court in Chengwu County of Shandong Province for the repayment of the loans and interest accrued and the court ordered the repayment of the principal amount and the interest accrued within the time specified. During the six months ended 30 June 2022, the bank auctioned the loan to the independent third party.

These conditions indicate the existence of material uncertainties which may cast significant doubt about the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION – continued

#### Going concern basis - continued

In view of such circumstances, the directors of the Company have given careful consideration to the future liquidity and performance of the Group and its available sources of financing in assessing whether the Group will have sufficient financial resources to continue as a going concern. A number of measures have been taken to mitigate the liquidity pressure and to improve the financial position, to refinance its operation and to restructure its debts. These include the followings:

- (i) On 30 November 2020, the Company announced a proposed restructuring of the debts in Hong Kong (the "Proposed Restructuring"), including the bonds payables and the interests accrued and other liabilities by way of implementing a creditors scheme (the "Creditors Scheme"). On 11 January 2022, the Creditors Scheme was sanctioned without modification by the High Court of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region;
- (ii) On 8 January 2021, the Company announced a proposed open offer of shares of the Company (the "Open Offer") to raise fund for the implementation of the Creditors Scheme. Subsequently, on 17 May 2021 and 1 September 2021, the Company resolved to adjust the terms of the Open Offer (the "Amended Open Offer") and it is expected that the proceeds from the Amended Open Offer of HK\$23.4 million would be used for settlement of the payment obligations under the Creditors Scheme and working capital of the Group. To support the successful completion of the Amended Open Offer, certain shareholders of the Company have provided irrevocable undertakings to the subscription of the offer shares. The Amended Open Offer has been completed in July 2022;
- (iii) The Group has been in discussion with the major shareholders and directors of the Company for providing financing to the Group, and in contact with potential buyers to dispose of certain assets of the Group so as to raise additional cash; and
- (iv) The Group will continue its efforts to implement new measures to improve sales such as rolling out new business initiatives with products of higher profit margin, control costs, contain capital expenditures, and accelerate the collection of trade and other receivables and the disposal of inventories so as to enhance the Group's working capital position.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION – continued

#### Going concern basis – continued

The directors of the Company have reviewed the Group's cash flow projections prepared by management, covering a period of not less than twelve months from the date of this announcement, and are of the view that, taking into account the abovementioned plans and measures, the Group will have sufficient working capital to finance its operations and to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due within twelve months from the date of this announcement. Accordingly, the directors of the Company are satisfied that it is appropriate to prepare the consolidated financial statements on a going concern basis.

Notwithstanding the above, significant uncertainties exist as to whether management of the Company will be able to achieve its plans and measures as described above. Whether the Group will be able to continue as a going concern would depend upon the Group's ability to generate adequate financing and operating cash flows through the following:

- (i) Successfully and timely raising additional cash through financing from major shareholders and the potential disposal of certain assets of the Group; and
- (ii) Successfully implementing the measures to improve sales, control costs, contain capital expenditures as well as to accelerate the collection of trade and other receivables and the disposal of inventories so as to enhance the Group's working capital position.

Should the Group fail to achieve the abovementioned plans and measures, it might not be able to continue to operate as a going concern, and adjustments would have to be made to write down the carrying values of the Group's assets to their recoverable amounts, to provide for any further liabilities which might arise and to reclassify non-current assets and non-current liabilities as current assets and current liabilities. The effects of these adjustments have not been reflected in these condensed consolidated financial statements.

## 3. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND TRANSACTIONS IN THE CURRENT INTERIM PERIOD

The Creditors Scheme was sanctioned without modification by the High Court at the sanction hearing on 11 January 2022.

#### 4. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis.

Other than additional accounting policies resulting from application of amendments to International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs"), agenda decision of the IFRS Interpretations Committee (the "Committee") of the International Accounting Standards Board (the "IASB"), and application of certain accounting policies which became relevant to the Group, the accounting policies and methods of computation used in the condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2022 are the same as those presented in the Group's annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

In the current interim period, the Group has applied the following amendments to IFRSs issued by the IASB, for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the annual periods beginning on 1 January 2022 for the preparation of the Group's condensed consolidated financial statements:

Amendment to IFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework
Amendment to IFRS 16	COVID-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021
Amendment to IAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment - Proceeds before Intended
	Use
Amendment to IAS 37	Onerous Contracts – Cost of Fulfilling a Contract
Amendments to IFRSs	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2018-2020

The application of the amendments to IFRSs in the current interim period has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior periods and on the disclosures set out in these interim condensed consolidated financial statements.

#### 5. ESTIMATES

The preparation of interim condensed consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

In preparing this interim condensed consolidated financial statements, the significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### 6. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

An analysis of the Group's revenue for the period is as follows:

#### 6.1 Financial risk factors

The Group's major financial instruments include trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, trade and other payables, borrowings and amount due to related parties. The risks associated with these financial instruments include market risk (foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The management of the Group manages and monitors these exposures to ensure appropriate measures are implemented in a timely and effective manner.

The interim condensed consolidated financial statements do not include all financial risk management information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2021.

There have been no changes in the risk management department since the last year end or in any risk management policies.

#### 6.2 Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that the Group's counterparties default on their contractual obligations resulting in financial losses to the Group. The Group's credit risk exposures are primarily attributable to trade and other receivables, and cash and cash equivalents. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements to cover its credit risks associated with its financial assets.

#### (i) Risk management

Credit risk is managed on a group basis. Bank deposits and cash at bank are deposited in reputable financial institutions which are considered with low credit risk.

The Group has policies in place to ensure that receivables with credit terms are made to counterparties with an appropriate credit history and management performs ongoing credit evaluations of the counterparties. The credit period granted to the customers is usually no more than 90 days and the credit quality of these customers is assessed, which takes into account their financial position, past experience and other factors. In view of the sound collection history of receivables due from them, management believes that the credit risk inherent in the Group's outstanding trade receivables arising from sales of products due from them is not significant.

#### 6.2 Credit risk – continued

#### (ii) Impairment of financial assets

The Group has trade receivables for sales of inventory that are subject to the expected credit loss model.

While cash and cash equivalents are also subject to the impairment requirements of IFRS 9, the identified impairment loss was immaterial.

Trade receivables

The Group applies the IFRS 9 modified retrospective approach to measuring expected credit losses which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance for all trade receivables from initial recognition.

To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days exceed the normal collecting period.

Individually impaired trade receivable is related to customer who is experiencing unexpected economic difficulties. The Group expects that the entire amounts of the receivables will have difficulty to be recovered and has recognised impairment losses. As at 30 June 2022, trade receivables of RMB98,988,000 has been fully provided for loss allowance for these individually assessed receivables.

The Group's concentration of credit risk by geographical locations is mainly in the PRC, which accounted for 100% of the total receivables as at 30 June 2022. The Group has concentration of credit risk as 19% and 52% of the total trade receivables was due from the Group's largest customer and the five largest customers respectively. In order to minimize the credit risk, the management of the Group has delegated a team responsible for determination of credit limits and credit approvals.

The historical loss rates are adjusted to reflect current and forward-looking information on macroeconomic factors affecting the ability of the customers to settle the receivables. The Group has considered the business, financial or economic conditions and performance and behaviour of customers, and accordingly adjusts the historical loss rates based on expected changes in these factors.

#### 6.2 Credit risk – continued

#### (ii) Impairment of financial assets - continued

Trade receivables – continued

The Group considered various indicators, including, but not limited to, the prevailing market conditions in assessing how the expected loss rate should be adjusted. The Group had also considered the probability of default ("PD") and potential loss given default ("LGD") for its financial assets in its analysis. Given the difficult economic conditions and its analysis based on the above factors, the Group incorporated both current and forward-looking information by increasing its expected loss rates based with reference to its historical loss rate. In assessing the expected loss rate, the Group calculated the PD and LGD for each class of accounts receivables by incorporating forward-looking adjustments.

On that basis, the expected credit loss allowance as at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021 was determined as follows for trade receivables:

			Past due for more than		
	Current RMB'000	Past due for within 6 months <i>RMB'000</i>	6 months and less than 1 year <i>RMB'000</i>	Past due for more than 1 year RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 30 June 2022					
Expected credit loss rate	1.08%	3.26%	6.57%	52.60%	13.53%
Gross carrying amount	15,438	11,452	36,007	14,349	77,246
Expected credit loss allowance	166	373	2,365	7,548	10,452
Individually impaired receivables				98,988	98,988
Total expected credit loss					
allowance	166	373	2,365	106,536	109,440

#### 6.2 Credit risk – continued

## (ii) Impairment of financial assets - continued

Trade receivables – continued

			Past due for		
			more than		
		Past due	6 months	Past due for	
		for within	and less	more than	
	Current	6 months	than 1 year	1 year	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
At 31 December 2021					
Expected credit loss rate	1.08%	3.25%	6.54%	52.60%	6.98%
Gross carrying amount	34,991	20,741	14,730	6,368	76,830
Expected credit loss allowance	377	673	964	3,349	5,363
Individually impaired receivables				99,219	99,219
Total expected credit loss					
allowance	377	673	964	102,568	104,582

The accumulated expected credit loss allowances for trade receivables as at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021 reconcile to the opening expected credit loss allowances as follows:

	Trade
	receivables
	RMB'000
Opening expected credit loss allowance at 1 January 2021	81,953
Provision for allowance for expected credit losses, net	22,629
Closing expected credit loss allowance at 31 December 2021	104,582
Provision for allowance for expected credit losses, net	4,858
Closing expected credit loss allowance at 30 June 2022	109,440

#### 6.2 Credit risk – continued

#### (ii) Impairment of financial assets - continued

Trade receivables - continued

Trade receivables are written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery. Indicators that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery include, amongst others, the failure of a debtor to engage in a repayment plan with the Group.

Impairment losses on trade receivables are presented within operating result. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against the same line item

Other receivables at amortised cost

Other financial assets at amortised cost include other receivables. Impairment on other receivables is measured as either 12-month expected credit losses or lifetime expected credit loss, depending on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. If a significant increase in credit risk of a receivable has occurred since initial recognition, then impairment is measured as lifetime expected credit losses.

The accumulated expected credit loss allowances for other receivables as at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021 reconcile to the opening expected credit loss allowances as follows:

	Trade receivables <i>RMB'000</i>
Opening expected credit loss allowance at 1 January 2021 Provision for allowance for expected credit losses, net Write-off	17,971 - (6,466)
Closing expected credit loss allowance at 31 December 2021 Provision for allowance for expected credit losses, net	11,505
Closing expected credit loss allowance at 30 June 2022	11,505

### 6.3 Liquidity Risk

The table below analyses the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Weighted average effective interest rate %	Within 1 year or on demand RMB'000	More than 1 year but less than 5 years RMB'000	More then 5 years RMB'000	Total contractual undiscounted cash flows RMB'000	Total carrying amount RMB'000
At 30 June 2022						
Borrowings	6.97	68,033	-	-	68,033	63,613
Trade and other payables	n/a	55,985	-	-	55,985	55,985
Amount due to related parties	n/a	7,080			7,080	7,080
		131,098	_		131,098	126,678
	Weighted	Within	More than		Total	
	average	1 year	1 year but	More	contractual	Total
	effective	or on	less than	than	undiscounted	carrying
	interest rate	demand	5 years	5 years	cash flows	amount
	%	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
At 31 December 2021						
Borrowings	6.75	66,876	-	-	66,876	62,647
Trade and other payables	n/a	51,915	_	-	51,915	51,915
Amount due to related parties	n/a	6,235			6,235	6,235
		125,026	_		125,026	120,797

#### **6.4** Fair value estimation

As at 30 June 2022, the Group had no financial instruments that are subsequently measured in the condensed consolidated balance sheet at fair value.

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets, including trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents and short term liabilities, including trade and other payables and borrowings are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term maturities.

#### 7. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION

The directors are the Group's chief operating decision maker. The directors review the Group's internal reporting in order to assess performance and allocate resources. The directors have determined the operating segments based on these reports. The directors consider the business from products and services perspective, and determine that the Group has the following operating segments:

- Manufacturing and selling of plywood; and
- Leasing activities.

No geographical segment information is presented as all the revenue and operating losses of the Group are derived within the PRC and all the operating assets of the Group are located in the PRC, which is considered as one geographic location with similar risks and returns.

The directors assess the performance of the business segments based on loss before tax without allocation of finance costs and certain administrative expenses, which is consistent with that in the condensed consolidated financial statements.

Segment assets consist of right-of-use assets, property, plant and equipment, investment properties, inventories, trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents. Unallocated assets mainly comprise cash and cash equivalents, property, plant and equipment and other receivables held by non-PRC incorporated companies.

Segment liabilities consist of borrowings, deferred income, trade and other payables and other current tax liabilities. Unallocated liabilities mainly comprise amount due to related parties, other payables and bonds payables held by non-PRC incorporated companies.

## 7. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION – continued

The segment information for the six months ended 30 June 2022 is as follows:

	Plyv RMB		Leasing activities RMB'000	Group RMB'000
Segment result Revenue	33	3,023	1,856	34,879
Segment results	(10	,473)	(715)	(11,188)
Unallocated costs				(3,530)
Finance costs				(965)
Loss before tax Income tax expense			_	(15,683) (83)
Loss for the period			_	(15,766)
	Plywood RMB'000	Leasing activities <i>RMB'000</i>	Unallocated RMB'000	Group <i>RMB'000</i>
Other segment items  Income statement items:  Allowance for expected credit losses, net	4,858	_	_	4,858
Depreciation on right-of-use assets  Depreciation on property, plant	34	_	_	34
and equipment  Depreciation on investment properties	449	15 1,292		486 1,292

The segment assets and liabilities at 30 June 2022 are as follows:

	Plywood RMB'000	Leasing activities <i>RMB'000</i>	Unallocated RMB'000	Total RMB'000
Total assets	102,998	67,622	64	170,684
Total liabilities	60,751	22,353	53,226	136,330

## 7. REVENUE AND SEGMENT INFORMATION – continued

The segment information for the six months ended 30 June 2021 is as follows:

		Plywood RMB'000	Leasing activities <i>RMB'000</i>	Group RMB'000
Segment result Revenue		81,452	661	82,113
Segment results	_	(28,393)	(1,741)	(30,134)
Finance costs			-	(2,561)
Loss before tax Income tax expense				(32,695)
Loss for the period			-	(32,695)
Other segment items				
Allowance for expected credit Depreciation on right-of-use	assets	888 195		888 195
Depreciation on property, pla equipment	int and	1,339		1,339
The segment assets and liabili	ties at 30 June 20	)21 are as follo	ws:	
	Plywood <i>RMB</i> '000	Leasing activities <i>RMB'000</i>	Unallocated RMB'000	Group RMB'000
Total assets	196,672	48,494	345	245,511
Total liabilities	57,256	12,706	38,973	108,935

#### 8. LOSS BEFORE TAX

Loss before tax has been arrived at after charging the followings:

	Six months end	led 30 June
	2022 RMB\$'000	2021 RMB\$'000
	KMB\$ 000	KMD\$ 000
Cost of inventories recognized as expense	33,838	79,959
Staff costs, including directors' emoluments and related		
retirement benefits scheme contributions	2,461	4,879
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	486	1,339
Depreciation on right-of-use assets	34	195
Depreciation on investment properties	1,292	

#### 9. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Six months end	led 30 June
	2022	2021
	RMB\$'000	RMB\$'000
Current tax	_	_
Under-provision of PRC Enterprise Income Tax	83	_
Deferred income tax		
	83	_

#### (i) Hong Kong profits tax

No Hong Kong profits tax has been provided, as the Group has no taxable profit earned or derived in Hong Kong. The applicable Hong Kong profit tax rate is 16.5% for both periods.

#### (ii) PRC Enterprise Income Tax ("EIT")

EIT is provided on the assessable income of entities incorporated in the PRC. The applicable EIT tax rate is 25% for both periods.

#### (iii) PRC withholding income tax

According to the new EIT law, a 10% withholding tax will be levied on the immediate holding companies established out of the PRC. A lower withholding tax rate may be applied if there is a tax treaty arrangement between the PRC and the jurisdiction of the foreign immediate holding companies. No withholding tax has been provided as the Group does not expect the PRC subsidiaries to distribute the retained earnings as at 30 June 2022.

#### 10. DIVIDENDS

No dividends were paid, declared or proposed during the interim period. The directors of the Company have determined that no dividend will be paid in respect of the interim period.

#### 11. LOSS PER SHARE

#### (a) Basic

Basic loss per share for the six months ended 30 June 2022 and 2021 are calculated by dividing the loss attributable to the shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue in the respective periods.

	Six months end	ed 30 June
	2022	2021
	RMB\$'000	RMB\$'000
Loss attributable to the shareholders	(15,766)	(32,695)
		(restated)
Weighted average number of ordinary shares		
in issue (thousands)	1,355,683	1,355,683
Basic loss per share (RMB cents per share)	(2.25)	(4.67)

The basic loss per share has been adjusted to reflect the open offer of shares subsequent to the six months ended 30 June 2022.

#### (b) Diluted

During the periods ended 30 June 2022 and 2021, the diluted loss per share are equal to basic loss per share, as there were no potential ordinary shares in issue for both periods.

#### 12. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

The land use rights are held with lease term of 50 years and the land is situated in Heze city, Shandong province, the PRC.

As at 30 June 2022, land use rights of the Group with a carrying value of RMB2,804,000 were pledged as security for short-term bank borrowings of the Group.

During six months ended 30 June 2022, land use rights of the Group with a carrying value of RMB4,514,000 has been reclassified to investment properties.

#### 13. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

As at 30 June 2022, plants of the Group with a carrying value of RMB16,836,000 were pledged as security for short-term bank borrowings and other loan of the Group.

As at 30 June 2022, plants of the Group with a carrying value of RMB722,000 were without real estate titles and they are in the process of applying for the real estate certificates.

During six months ended 30 June 2022, plant of the Group with a carrying value of RMB18,885,000 has been reclassified to investment properties.

#### 14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

These investment properties, which are located at Dasen Industrial Park, Chengwu County Development Zone, Heze, Shandong Province, the PRC and Meisen Industrial Park, Sunsi Town Chengwu County, Heze, Shandong Province, the PRC, respectively, were stated at historical cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses at the end of each reporting period.

As at 30 June 2022, investment properties of the Group with a carrying value of RMB62,650,000 were pledged as security for short-term bank borrowings and other loan of the Group.

As at 30 June 2022, investment properties of the Group with a carrying value of RMB10,229,000 were without real estate titles and they are in the process of applying for the real estate certificates.

As advised by the independent valuer to conduct the valuation of the investment properties of the Group as of 31 December 2021, there has been no material change in fair value of the Group's investment properties since 25 March 2022, the date of issuance of its reports, and up to 30 June 2022. Accordingly, the directors of the Company consider it appropriate to determine the fair value of the Group's investment properties of as at 30 June 2022 with reference to the fair value as at 31 December 2021.

#### Valuations as of 31 December 2021

The fair value of the Group's investment properties as at 31 December 2021 were determined to be approximately RMB59,600,000 by the directors of the Company with reference to valuations performed by Peak Vision Appraisals Limited (2020: Shandong Tongcheng Real Estate Valuation and Consulting Co., Limited (山東同誠房地產評估諮詢有限公司), an independent valuer on the investment properties as at 31 December 2021. The valuer has appropriate qualifications and experience in the valuation of properties in the relevant locations. An impairment charge of RMB933,000 was recognised in "Other income, gains or (losses)" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2021.

#### 14. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES – continued

The valuations were based on market approach, an approach determined to be the most appropriate valuation methodology for valuing the investment properties of the Group. The rationale for this method is to determine the market rate by considering identified market comparable transactions with the subject property. Adjustments will be applied to the said comparable transactions to adjust for differences between the subject property and the comparable transactions. The fair value estimation of the investment property is categorised in level 3 hierarchy. As at 31 December 2021, the key assumptions adopted in the valuation that support the determination of fair value were in the following ranges for the Group's portfolio of investment properties:

Description	Fair value at 31 Dec 2021 ( <i>RMB'000</i> )	Valuation technique	<b>Unobservable</b> inputs	Range of unobservable inputs	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value
Investment properties	59,600	Investment method	(i) Reversionary yield;	5.5%-6%	Higher of the yield, lower of the fair value
			(ii) Average market (RMB/sq.m.)	6.9-8.5	The higher the market rent, the higher the fair value

#### 15. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	As a	ıt
	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade receivables	176,234	176,232
Less: accumulated allowance for expected credit losses	(109,440)	(104,582)
	66,794	71,650
Prepayments for raw materials	10,533	10,723
Other receivables	11,513	11,505
Less: accumulated allowance for expected credit losses	(11,505)	(11,505)
	77,335	82,373

#### 15. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES – continued

The following is an ageing analysis of trade receivables (net of allowance for expected credit losses) presented based on the invoice dates.

	As at	
	<b>30 June</b> 31 De	
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Up to 3 months	15,272	34,798
4 to 6 months	11,079	20,068
7 to 12 months	33,642	13,766
Over 1 year	6,801	3,018
	66,794	71,650

Details of impairment assessment of trade and other receivables for the period ended 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021 are set out in Note 6.

#### 16. SHARE CAPITAL AND SHARE PREMIUM

			Amount	
	Number of ordinary shares '000	Share capital <i>RMB'000</i>	Share premium <i>RMB'000</i>	Total <i>RMB'000</i>
At 1 January 2021, 30 June 2021, 1 January 2022 and 30 June 2022	974,400	8,592	212,502	221,094

#### 17. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	As at	
	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Trade payables	33	335
Other taxes payable	25,441	24,850
Accrued expenses	18,608	16,810
Interest payable	8,147	5,575
Advance from customers	_	2,068
Others	3,756	4,345
	55,985	53,983

As at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the aging analysis of the trade payables based on invoice date was as follows:

	As at	
	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Within 3 months	33	335

#### 18. BORROWINGS

	As at	
	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Bonds repayable within one year	27,860	27,860
Short-term bank borrowings – secured	9,000	25,287
Other loans	26,753	9,500
Total borrowings	63,613	62,647

The secured bank borrowings borrowed from banks in the PRC by the PRC subsidiaries have been auctioned to an independent third party in the PRC. The principal amounts of the loans being transferred is RMB16,085,000. The nature of the loan has been changed from short-term bank borrowings to other loans.

#### 18. BORROWINGS – continued

During six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group borrowed seven unsecured other loans of RMB2,168,000 from two independent third parties. The interest rate is 14%.

Except for the above, the other borrowings have not been amended during the six months ended 30 June 2022.

#### 19. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

As at 30 June 2022 and 31 December 2021, the Group had no material contingent liabilities.

#### 20. PLEDGED OF ASSETS

	As at	
	30 June	31 December
	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Investment properties situated in the PRC	62,650	40,493
Property, plant and equipment situated in the PRC	16,836	36,100
Right-of-use assets situated in the PRC	2,804	7,352
	82,290	83,945

#### 21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following is a summary of the significant transactions carried out between the Group and its related parties in the ordinary course of business during the year, and balances arising from related party transactions as at the respective dates of reporting period:

#### (i) Guarantees provided by related parties in respect of the Group's borrowings from banks

As at 30 June 2022, the Group's short-term borrowings of RMB16,085,000 (2021: RMB18,900,000) were guaranteed by Mr. Ke Mingcai, an ex-director of the Company, together with his spouse. Short-term borrowings of RMB9,000,000 were guaranteed by Mr. Ke Mingcai together with Mr. Zhang Ayang, an executive director of the Company.

#### 21. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS – continued

#### (ii) Key management personnel compensation

	Six months ended 30 June	
	2022	2021
	RMB\$'000	RMB\$'000
Salaries and bonus	670	1,308
Pension, housing fund, medical insurance and others _		
_	670	1,308

#### 22. EVENTS AFTER REPORTING PERIOD

#### The proposed Open Offer of shares of the Company

On 8 January 2021, the Company announced a proposed open offer of shares of the Company (the "Open Offer") to raise fund for the implementation of the Creditors Scheme. Subsequently, on 17 May 2021 and 1 September 2021, the Company resolved to adjust the terms of the Open Offer (the "Amended Open Offer") and it is expected that the proceeds from the Amended Open Offer of HK\$23.4 million would be used for settlement of the payment obligations under the Creditors Scheme and working capital of the Group. To support the successful completion of the Amended Open Offer, certain shareholders of the Company have provided irrevocable undertakings to the subscription of the offer shares. The Amended Open Offer was completed in July 2022.

#### 23. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the presentation for the period.

#### **REVIEW OF OPERATIONS**

The Company is an investment holding company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the "Group") are principally engaged in the sale and manufacture of wood products, trading, as well as property activities.

#### **Wood Operations**

The manufacturing and sales of plywood products is the principal business of the Group. The Group's main production base is strategically located in Heze City, Shandong Province in the PRC where there are abundant resources of poplars, the major raw materials for the plywood products.

The Group's plywood products consist of furniture board (家具板), ecological plywood (生態板) (also known as melamine faced board (三聚氰胺貼面板)), and hardwood multi-layered board (實木多層板). All our products are customised depending on our customers' needs.

Customers of the Group are mainly end users, such as furniture manufacturers, equipment manufacturers, decoration or renovation companies, packing material producers, and trading companies. Most customers of the Group's plywood products are located in Eastern China and Southern China regions.

The total revenue of the Group is mainly contributed by the sales of plywood products, which accounted for approximately 94.7 percent of the total revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2022.

#### **Investment Properties**

Since 1 July 2020, the Group has entered into lease agreements to partially lease out the biomass wood pellets factories to a tenant engaging in agricultural wholesale as well as other factories and land which are surplus to needs in order to generate a stable and recurring rental income, and at the same time reducing the costs in managing these assets.

The rental income of the Group accounted for approximately 5.3 percent of the total revenue for the six months ended 30 June 2022.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### **Review of Results**

The consolidated revenue of the Group was approximately RMB34.9 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022, representing a decrease of 57.5 percent from approximately RMB82.1 million in 2021.

The consolidated gross loss of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2022 was approximately RMB0.8 million, representing a significant decrease of 94.2 percent from approximately RMB13.6 million in 2021. For the six months ended 30 June 2022, the gross loss margin was 2.2 percent compared to 16.5 percent in 2021.

The total selling and administrative expenses were approximately RMB6.9 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022, representing a decrease of 56.2 percent from approximately RMB15.7 million in 2021, mainly due to the implementation of more management controls in costs savings and productions.

The consolidated operating loss before tax for the six months ended 30 June 2022 decreased to approximately RMB15.7 million as compared to approximately RMB32.7 million in 2021. Such decrease in loss was mainly due to improvements made in profit margins and other cost control measures in the production process.

The Group recorded higher finance costs of approximately RMB3.0 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022 as compared to approximately RMB2.6 million in 2021. The increase was mainly due to the higher interest expense on bond payments, partially offset by higher interest expenses on bank borrowings and third party loans.

The Group's income tax expense for the six months ended 30 June 2022 was approximately RMB0.1 million which represents under-provision of tax in prior year.

The consolidated net loss after tax was approximately RMB15.8 million for the six months ended 30 June 2022 as compared to approximately RMB32.7 million in 2021. Basic loss per share for the six months under review was RMB2.25 cents as compared to basic loss per share of RMB4.67 cents (restated) in 2021.

#### **Gearing Ratio**

During the six months ended 30 June 2022, the gearing ratio of the Group, calculated based on total interest-bearing debts divided by total equity of the Company as at the respective period and multiplied by 100 percent, was approximately 185.2 percent (2021: approximately 125.0 percent). During the six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group's total interest-bearing debts amounted to approximately RMB63.6 million.

*Note*: After the completion of the open offer and the proposed restructuring in the third quarter of 2022, the gearing ratio of the Group will be substantially improved.

#### Foreign currency risk

As majority of our assets and liabilities are denominated in RMB, except for certain bank balances which are denominated in USD and HKD. The Group had not experienced any material effects on its operation or liquidity as a result of fluctuations in currency exchange rates and had not adopted any currency hedging policy or any hedging instrument during the six months ended 30 June 2022. The Group will continue to monitor its foreign currency risk exposure and will consider hedging significant foreign currency risk should the need arises.

#### **Current assets and liabilities**

As at 30 June 2022, the Group held current assets of approximately RMB82.6 million (31 December 2021: RMB90.7 million), comprising inventories, trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents.

Cash and cash equivalents balance as at 30 June 2022 decreased to approximately RMB1.3 million as compared to approximately RMB3.3 million as at 31 December 2021. The slight decrease in cash and cash equivalents balance was mainly due to the funding needs of the ongoing operations of the Group.

The Group's inventory balance as at 30 June 2022 comprised of raw materials, work-in-progress and finished goods for plywood products. The decrease in the inventory balance of approximately RMB1.2 million, from approximately RMB5.1 million as at 31 December 2021 to approximately RMB3.9 million as at 30 June 2022, was mainly due to less raw materials held as a result of more accurate prediction of sales orders in the second half of 2022 coupled with continuing tighter measures to reduce overall inventory holding time and thereby reduce holding costs.

Trade and other receivables balance as at 30 June 2022 mainly represented outstanding receivables balance from customers of our plywood products. There was a decrease in trade and other receivables balance of approximately RMB5.1 million, from approximately RMB82.4 million as at 31 December 2021 to approximately RMB77.3 million as at 30 June 2022. The decrease in trade receivables balance was mainly due to allowance for expected credit losses of trade receivables of approximately RMB4.9 million during the six months ended 30 June 2022 from the outstanding receivables from the Group's downstream customers brought forward from 31 December 2021 which have remained outstanding as these customers have continued to suffer extreme difficulties in their business operations since COVID-19.

As at 30 June 2022 the Group's total current liabilities amounted to approximately RMB136.1 million, as compared to approximately RMB130.3 million as at 31 December 2021. The increase was mainly due to the cash advances made by the substantial shareholder and a director of the Company to support the proposed restructuring of the Company and the extra loans made to the Group by independent third parties.

#### Non-current assets

Since 2020, the Group has leased out certain plants and land which are surplus to current and future needs to certain operators under long term lease to generate recurring rental income.

The Group used to operate a plant for the production of biomass wood pellets in Heze City, Shandong Province, China. As a result of the cessation of the biomass wood pellets business in July 2020, the Group has since leased out the biomass wood pellets to an agricultural wholesale operator under long term lease to generate recurring rental income. The Group also has plans to sell this plant or shares of the subsidiary holding the plant in the near term. Since 2021, the Group has also leased out other plants and lands which were originally used by the plywood productions which are surplus to current and future needs to certain operators under long term lease to generate recurring rental income.

Investment properties of approximately RMB67.3 million as at 30 June 2022 represented land use rights and plants of these assets. Investment properties are stated at costs less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment as determined with reference to independent valuer's valuation as at 31 December 2021.

As at 30 June 2022, the Group's right-of-use assets and property, plant and equipment are valued at approximately RMB2.8 million and RMB18.1 million respectively.

### **Borrowings**

As at 30 June 2022, the Group's borrowings amounted to approximately RMB63.6 million (2021: RMB62.6 million) in total, comprising approximately RMB27.9 million bonds payables in Hong Kong (the "Bonds") and approximately RMB9.0 million bank borrowings and approximately RMB26.7 million other loans in the PRC and Hong Kong.

As at 30 June 2022, the Group had bank borrowings denominated in RMB of approximately RMB9.0 million from banks located in China. The Group's bank borrowings are secured by land use rights and plants and investment properties of the Group, and certain guarantees provided to the banks by certain former and present directors and individuals as at 30 June 2022.

During six months ended 30 June 2022, the Group borrowed seven unsecured other loans of RMB2.2 million from two independent third parties to address its short term liquidity needs. The interest rate is 14%.

On 1 June 2021, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company entered into a term loan facility agreement with a third party under which the lender agreed to make available a term loan facility (For more details of this loan, please refer to the section "Security on Assets" below).

On 28 June 2021, the Company was being notified by Meisen (Shandong) and Dasen (Heze), that they were respectively named as defendants (the "Defending Subsidiaries") of the civil lawsuits filed by China Construction Bank Chengwu Branch, the PRC (the "Plaintiff") at the Court of Chengwu County of Shandong Province, the PRC (the "Lawsuits"), relating to the recovery of outstanding loan amount due to the Plaintiff by Meisen (Shandong).

On 30 August 2021, the Company released an announcement relating to the hearing of the Lawsuits held on 18 August 2021 indicating that the court subsequently decided to rule in favour of the Plaintiff. The Company has since been in close contact with the Plaintiff to settle the outstanding debts in phases, including the payments of penalty interests. As at 30 June 2022, the Plaintiff did not take enforcement actions on this matter.

Since April 2022, the local PRC management has been verbally notified by the relationship manager of China Construction Bank Chengwu Branch that the bank has started the internal procedure to sell the overdue debts of Meisen (Shandong) and Dasen (Heze) to a Shandong asset management company. In early August 2022, the local PRC management was being notified that the sale was completed and the Shandong asset management company being the new creditor will also work with other asset management companies to find suitable buyers of the overdue debts. The Company will continue to discuss with the Shandong asset management company or other new creditors to repay the loans by way of disposing the non-core assets of the Group (being the pledged assets of the overdue debts) or to sell minority interests of the subsidiary holding the non-core assets. As at the date of this announcement, the operations of the pledged assets remain as usual.

#### Proposed debt restructuring

References are made to the announcements of the Company dated 30 November 2020, 18 May 2021, 1 September 2021, 28 October 2021, 9 December 2021, 11 January 2022, 14 February 2022, 20 May 2022, and 30 June 2022 (the "Announcements") in relation to the proposed debt restructuring. Unless otherwise stated, the terms used in this section have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcements.

As part of the Proposed Restructuring, the Group intends to restructure its debts by way of implementing the Creditors Scheme. The Creditors Scheme will be implemented in accordance with the terms as approved by the High Court and the Scheme Creditors to compromise all the Company's liabilities relating to the Bonds.

#### Scheme of Arrangement

On 9 December 2021, the Creditors Scheme was approved by the requisite majorities of the Scheme Creditors at the Scheme Meeting and was subsequently sanctioned without modification by the High Court at the sanction hearing held on 11 January 2022. To the best of the Directors' knowledge, information and belief having made all reasonable enquiries, all Scheme Creditors are Independent Third Parties.

Upon the Creditors Scheme becoming effective, the Scheme Administrators will take steps to adjudicate the Scheme Claims and to distribute the Scheme Consideration to the Scheme Creditors on a pro rata basis based on the amounts of their admitted claims under the Creditors Scheme and discharge the debts of the Company including and not limiting to the claims from bond holders as disclosed in announcements of the Company published on 19 January 2021 and 20 July 2021.

Subject to the determination and adjudication by the Scheme Administrators under the Creditors Scheme, the Scheme Creditors shall receive the Scheme Consideration comprising the following:

- (i) Cash Consideration in the aggregate amount of HK\$15.2 million which shall be funded by the net proceeds from the Amended Open Offer to be distributed amongst the Scheme Creditors on the basis of the relative proportion of their respective admitted claims as compared to the total admitted claims under the Creditors Scheme; and
- (ii) Scheme Shares comprising 49,194,476 new Shares to be distributed amongst the Scheme Creditors on the basis of the relative proportion of their respective admitted claims as compared to the total admitted claims under the Creditors Scheme.

As part of the Creditors Scheme to solicit support and entice the Scheme Creditors, the Company will also issue and allot Consent Fee Shares of up to 16,398,159 new Shares under the General Mandate to those Scheme Creditors, who entered into the restructuring support agreement in relation to the Creditors Scheme on or before 27 October 2021 and undertook to vote for the Creditors Scheme, on a pro rata basis based on their claims as admitted by the Scheme Administrators, subject to, among others, the maximum consent fee return, which is equal to 5.0 percent of the aggregate principal amount and interests accrued up to 31 December 2020 on the Bonds held by the relevant consenting creditors. For further details, please refer to the announcement of the Company dated 14 February 2022.

#### Open Offer

On 8 January 2021, the Company proposed to raise approximately HK\$29.2 million (before expenses) by way of an Open Offer on the basis of one (1) Offer Share for every two (2) existing Shares in order to fund the implementation of the Creditors Scheme.

On 1 September 2021, having considered (i) the estimated funding requirements for the implementation of the Proposed Restructuring; (ii) the prevailing market prices of the Shares; (iii) the attractiveness of the Open Offer to the Shareholders; (iv) compliance of public float requirement under the Listing Rules upon completion of the Open Offer; (v) the Group's financial position; (vi) the prevailing financial market conditions and economic outlook; and (vii) the reasons and benefits of the Open Offer, the Board has examined various subscription ratios and resolved to adjust the terms of the Open Offer which will now be implemented on the basis of three (3) Offer Shares for every five (5) Shares held on the Record Date by the Qualifying Shareholders at the Offer Price of HK\$0.04 per Offer Share ("Amended Open Offer").

**Issue Statistics** 

Basis of the Amended Three (3) Offer Shares for every five (5) existing Shares

Open Offer: held on the Record Date

Number of Shares in issue as at the date of this announcement: 974,400,000 Shares

Offer Price: HK\$0.04 per Offer Share

Number of Offer Shares: 584,640,000 Offer Shares

Maximum funds to be HK\$23.4 million

raised before expenses:

Total number of Shares upon completion of the Amended Open Offer: 1,559,040,000 Shares

Assuming there is no change to the issued share capital of the Company, 584,640,000 Offer Shares represent (a) 60.0 percent of the Company's issued share capital as at the date of this announcement; and (b) 37.5 percent of the Company's issued share capital as enlarged by the issuance of the Offer Shares. As at the date of this announcement, the Company has no derivatives, options, warrants and conversion rights or other similar rights which are convertible or exchangeable into Shares.

The Amended Open Offer will proceed on a non-underwritten basis irrespective of the level of acceptances of the provisionally allotted Offer Shares and the level of subscription of the excess Offer Shares. The Qualifying Shareholders are entitled to apply for any Offer Shares in excess of their own assured allotments. In the event that the Amended Open Offer is not fully subscribed, any Offer Shares not taken up by the Qualifying Shareholders will not be issued by the Company and the size of the Amended Open Offer will be reduced accordingly.

The gross proceeds of the Amended Open Offer (before expenses) are approximately HK\$23.4 million and net proceeds of the Amended Open Offer (after expenses) are estimated to be approximately HK\$23.2 million. It is expected that the proceeds from the Amended Open Offer in the sum of approximately HK\$20.0 million will be the Cash Consideration to pay for the implementation of the Scheme and its associated costs, and the balance of approximately HK\$3.2 million shall be retained as the general working capital of the Company after the completion of the Amended Open Offer.

The circular of the open offer was despatched by the Company on 30 June 2022.

*Note:* 

The Open Offer was completed in July 2022 and the Company has announced the results by way of announcement on 22 July 2022.

#### Security on assets

As at 30 June 2022, certain assets of the Group with an aggregated carrying value of approximately RMB82.3 million were pledged to the bank as security for the loan facility (2021: RMB83.9 million).

Reference is made to the announcements of the Company dated 25 November 2021, 10 December 2021 and 4 January 2022 in relation to the discovery of the unrecorded pledge of assets (the "Unrecorded Pledge of Assets Announcements"). Capitalised terms used in this section shall have the same meaning as those defined in the Announcements unless otherwise specified.

As disclosed in the Unrecorded Pledge of Assets Announcements, it has come to the attention of the Board that certain the Pledged Assets of the Group (i.e. a property with an aggregate floor area of approximately 22,827 square meters and land use right of the Group for certain land parcels with an aggregate floor area of approximately 46,077 square meters held by Meisen (Shandong), with a book value of approximately RMB28.2 million and a fair value of approximately RMB17.4 million as at 31 October 2021) have been pledged to a branch of Rural Commercial Bank of Shandong Chengwu (the "Lender") in relation to a Loan Facility provided to 菏澤中眾合市場開發有限公司 (an Independent Third Party established in the PRC, the "Borrower") by the Lender, without the knowledge and prior approval of the Board. Based on the preliminary findings of the Audit Committee, it transpired that the pledge of the Pledged Assets was an attempt by the management of a subsidiary of the Group to obtain financing indirectly from the Lender through the Borrower in order to renew a defaulted bank loan of the same financial institution (i.e. the Lender). Based on the current information available to the Board, the Borrower has drawn down a total amount of RMB9.5 million under the Loan Facility for its own use. The entire sum of which had been subsequently provided to another subsidiary of the Company by way of loan between June 2021 and September 2021 before the terms of the renewal of the Meisen (Shandong) defaulted loan was agreed with the Lender.

After due and careful review on the findings of the Audit Committee on the Pledged Assets, the Board is of the view that the pledge of Pledged Assets to obtain the Loan Facility is not appropriate and resolved to terminate the Pledge Arrangement Agreement and the Group is currently in negotiation with the Lender in this respect.

The Audit Committee as well as independent external internal control consultant have also concluded that this is a one-off event in the violation of the Groups' internal control procedures and no other violations are found.

As at 30 June 2022, the Company has made a partial repayment of RMB1.0 million of this third party loan as well as to enter into an agreement with 菏澤中眾合市場開發有限公司 to terminate the pledge arrangement agreement upon full repayment of the remaining balance.

#### **OUTLOOK**

Year 2022 continues to be a challenging year with the pandemic, global inflation, Sino-US disputes and the Russia-Ukraine war. These combined effects continue to have a huge impact on our clients, leading them to purchase less. Since 2021, the Company has decided to focus on clients with better margins and payment ability and to control our costs. Despite that we have a lower turnover of sales, our gross margins have greatly improved and we believe that this trend will continue.

In July 2022, the Company has completed the Open Offer with a substantial oversubscription, which greatly improves the financial status of the Group. Upon completion of the Proposed Restructuring, the Group's borrowings and interest burden will accordingly be reduced.

While the disposal of certain non-core assets of the Group is still on-going, the Company believes that major progress has been made and it is expected that an agreement with potential investor will be reached within the second half of 2022.

In addition, the sales in new geographic markets with new business partners will commence in the third quarter of 2022 (the "New Business Line"). Based on the current information available, it is expected that the New Business Line will provide a new source of revenue for the Group with positive gross profit margin.

Based on initial updates, the Company's auditors are of the view that the measures undertaken and achievements made by the Company in the six months ended 30 June 2022 and up to the date of this announcement are positively addressing the underlying issues leading to the disclaimer of opinion in the 2021 annual report, and, barring unforeseeable circumstances beyond its control, the Company is expecting, with further progress made especially in the disposal of certain non-core assets and additional improvements in profit margins, to be on-track for a turnaround and the removal of the audit modification by the time when the next annual report is issued.

#### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The Group had no material contingent liabilities as at 30 June 2022 (31 December 2021: Nil).

#### CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

As at 30 June 2022, the Group had no capital commitments contracted but not provided for (31 December 2021: Nil).

## MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS OF SUBSIDIARIES AND AFFILIATED COMPANIES

During the six months ended 30 June 2022, save as disclosed elsewhere in this announcement, the Group did not have any material acquisitions and disposals of subsidiaries and affiliated companies.

#### EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION POLICIES

The Group has 63 employees in Hong Kong and the PRC as at 30 June 2022. The Group's remuneration policy and share option scheme determine benefits of employees (including Directors) based on the duties and performance of each individual. The Group has also participated in the mandatory provident fund retirement benefit scheme in Hong Kong, and the central pension scheme operated by the local municipal government in the PRC.

#### DIVIDENDS AND DISTRIBUTION

The Board did not declare an interim dividend to shareholders for the six months ended 30 June 2022 (2021: Nil).

#### PURCHASE, SALE OR REDEMPTION OF LISTED SECURITIES

During the six months ended 30 June 2022, there was no purchase, sale or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of the listed securities of the Company.

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee of the Company has reviewed the Group's unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial information for the six months ended 30 June 2022 and has held one meeting during the period under review.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE

The Company is committed to maintaining a high standard of corporate governance, the principles of which serve to uphold a high standard of ethics, transparency, responsibility and integrity in all aspects of business and to ensure that its affairs are conducted in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The Company has applied the principles and complied with all applicable code provisions of the Corporate Governance Code as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited during the six months period ended 30 June 2022.

#### PUBLICATION OF RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT AND INTERIM REPORT

This announcement is published on the website of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (www.hkexnews.hk). The 2022 interim report will be despatched to shareholders of the Company and available on the above websites in due course.

By order of the Board

Da Sen Holdings Group Limited

Sun Yongtao

Non-Executive Chairman and Non-Executive Director

Hong Kong, 26 August 2022

As at the date of this announcement, the executive Directors are Mr. CHAI Kaw Sing, Mr. WONG Ben and Mr. ZHANG Ayang (duties suspended); the non-executive Director is Mr. SUN Yongtao; and the independent non-executive Directors are Mr. CHAN Shiu Yuen Sammy, Mr. KWOK Yiu Tong, Ms. LO Yuk Yee and Mr. TSO Siu Lun Alan.