

CRESCENDO CORPORATION BERHAD

199501030544 (359750-D)

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	INDIVIDUAL QUARTER		CUMULATIVE QUARTER	
	CURRENT YEAR QUARTER 31.7.2025 RM'000	PRECEDING YEAR CORRESPONDING QUARTER 31.7.2024 RM'000	CURRENT YEAR TO-DATE 31.7.2025 RM'000	PRECEDING YEAR CORRESPONDING PERIOD 31.7.2024 RM'000
Revenue	79,066	321,457	145,318	848,734
Cost of sales	(68,630)	(126,816)	(116,685)	(272,903)
Gross profit	10,436	194,641	28,633	575,831
Other income	37,943	8,165	46,161	14,864
Administration expenses	(15,347)	(13,574)	(28,488)	(23,513)
Finance costs	(1,834)	(2,292)	(3,261)	(4,859)
Profit before tax	31,198	186,940	43,045	562,323
Tax expenses	(6,830)	(45,709)	(10,962)	(136,806)
Profit for the period	24,368	141,231	32,083	425,517
Other comprehensive income, net of tax				
Net movement on cash flow hedges	-	4	-	4
Tax relating to cash flow hedges	-	(1)	-	(1)
Total other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	-	3	-	3
Total comprehensive income for the period	24,368	141,234	32,083	425,520
Profit attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	16,310	140,836	23,421	422,436
Non-controlling interests	8,058	395	8,662	3,081
	24,368	141,231	32,083	425,517
Total comprehensive income attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	16,310	140,836	23,421	422,439
Non-controlling interests	8,058	395	8,662	3,081
	24,368	141,234	32,083	425,520
Earnings per share attributable to owners of the Company:				
- Basic (sen)	1.94	16.80 *	2.78	50.39 *
- Diluted (sen)	1.93	N/A	2.78	N/A

* Adjusted for subdivision of every 1 ordinary share into 3 ordinary shares ("Share Split") completed in September 2024.

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 January 2025 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

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UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	AS AT 31.7.2025 RM'000	AS AT 31.1.2025 RM'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	154,866	177,294
Right-of-use assets	3,287	3,446
Bearer plants	3,485	3,728
Investment properties	305,782	291,977
Inventories	863,203	845,122
Deferred tax assets	55,671	52,215
	<u>1,386,294</u>	<u>1,373,782</u>
Current assets		
Inventories	269,986	252,134
Receivables	156,661	206,213
Contract assets	14,410	7,491
Prepaid operating expenditure	10,857	9,578
Tax recoverable	864	1,179
Short term funds	11,689	8,007
Cash and bank balances	131,668	166,356
	<u>596,135</u>	<u>650,958</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>1,982,429</u>	<u>2,024,740</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		
Share capital	305,022	302,744
Treasury shares	(5,018)	(5,018)
Other reserves	1,766	1,103
Retained earnings	1,099,375	1,109,615
	<u>1,401,145</u>	<u>1,408,444</u>
Non-controlling interests	59,923	51,531
Total equity	<u>1,461,068</u>	<u>1,459,975</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Loans and borrowings	155,444	165,715
Deferred tax liabilities	32,002	32,127
	<u>187,446</u>	<u>197,842</u>
Current liabilities		
Payables	230,045	204,570
Contract liabilities	24,041	21,145
Loans and borrowings	26,536	28,747
Tax payable	53,293	112,461
	<u>333,915</u>	<u>366,923</u>
Total liabilities	<u>521,361</u>	<u>564,765</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	<u>1,982,429</u>	<u>2,024,740</u>
Net assets per share (RM)	<u>1.67</u>	<u>1.68</u>

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 January 2025 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	Attributable to owners of the Company						
	Non-distributable			Distributable			
	Total Equity RM'000	Total RM'000	Share Capital RM'000	Other Reserves RM'000	Retained Earnings RM'000	Treasury Shares RM'000	Non- Controlling Interests RM'000
6 months ended 31 July 2025							
Balance as at 1 February 2025	1,459,975	1,408,444	302,744	1,103	1,109,615	(5,018)	51,531
Total comprehensive income	32,083	23,421	-	-	23,421	-	8,662
Transactions with owners							
Issue of shares pursuant to exercise of ESOS	2,046	2,046	2,278	(232)	-	-	-
ESOS share options expenses	895	895	-	895	-	-	-
Preference shares dividend paid to non-controlling interest	(270)	-	-	-	-	-	(270)
Dividends	(33,661)	(33,661)	-	-	(33,661)	-	-
Total transactions with owners	(30,990)	(30,720)	2,278	663	(33,661)	-	(270)
Balance as at 31 July 2025	1,461,068	1,401,145	305,022	1,766	1,099,375	(5,018)	59,923
6 months ended 31 July 2024							
Balance as at 1 February 2024	1,033,405	980,158	299,572	(3)	683,704	(3,115)	53,247
Total comprehensive income	425,520	422,439	-	3	422,436	-	3,081
Transactions with owners							
Issuance of ordinary shares in subsidiaries	220	-	-	-	-	-	220
Preference shares dividend paid to non-controlling interest	(925)	-	-	-	-	-	(925)
Resale of treasury shares	243	243	-	-	94	149	-
Dividends	(50,295)	(50,295)	-	-	(50,295)	-	-
Total transactions with owners	(50,757)	(50,052)	-	-	(50,201)	149	(705)
Balance as at 31 July 2024	1,408,168	1,352,545	299,572	-	1,055,939	(2,966)	55,623

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 January 2025 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

UNAUDITED CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	6 MONTHS ENDED	
	31.7.2025	31.7.2024
	RM'000	RM'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash received from customers	254,546	821,520
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(151,079)	(216,378)
Cash generated from operations	103,467	605,142
Deposit interest received	4,765	4,044
Interest paid	(3,663)	(6,505)
Tax paid	(73,397)	(8,675)
Net cash from operating activities	31,172	594,006
Cash flows from investing activities		
Acquisition of bearer plants, right-of-use assets, investment properties and property, plant and equipment	(23,966)	(21,794)
Net (increase)/decrease in pledged bank balances	(22)	1,600
Net investment in short term funds	(3,291)	(206,485)
Proceeds from disposal of Investment properties, and property, plant and equipment	5,762	9,788
Net cash used in investing activities	(21,517)	(216,891)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from issuance of shares	2,046	-
Proceeds from issuance of shares to non-controlling interests	-	220
Repayment of loans and borrowings	(10,271)	(179,394)
Dividend paid	(33,661)	(50,295)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(270)	(925)
Net cash used in financing activities	(42,156)	(230,394)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents	(32,501)	146,721
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial period	157,333	44,844
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	124,832	191,565
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period		
Deposits with licensed banks and other financial institution	67,509	162,002
Cash and bank balances	64,159	37,865
Bank overdrafts	(4,994)	(5,796)
	126,674	194,071
Less: Pledged bank balances	(1,842)	(2,506)
	124,832	191,565

The Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow Statement should be read in conjunction with the Annual Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 January 2025 and the accompanying explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements.

PART A - EXPLANATORY NOTES

A1 Basis of preparation

The interim financial report is unaudited and has been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standard ("MFRS") 134: Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Malaysian Accounting Standards Board ("MASB") and paragraph 9.22 of the Listing Requirements of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad ("Bursa Securities").

The interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 January 2025. These explanatory notes attached to the interim financial statements provide an explanation of events and transactions that are significant to the understanding of the changes in the financial position and performance of the Group since the financial year ended 31 January 2025.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted by the Group in this interim financial statements are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 January 2025 except for the adoption of the following amended MFRS relevant to the current operations of the Group:

Amendments to MFRS 121 Lack of Exchangeability

The above amended MFRS is not expected to have any significant impact on the financial statements of the Group.

The Group has not elected for early adoption of the following amended MFRSs relevant to the current operations of the Group, which were issued but not yet effective:

		Effective for financial periods beginning on or after
Amendments to MFRS 9 and MFRS 7	Amendments to the Classification and Measurement of Financial Instruments	1 Jan 2026
Annual Improvements to MFRS	Accounting Standards—Volume 11	1 Jan 2026
Amendments to MFRS 18	Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements	1 Jan 2027
Amendments to MFRS 19	Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures	1 Jan 2027
Amendments to MFRS 10 and MFRS 128	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	Deferred

These amended MFRSs are not expected to have any significant impact on the financial statements of the Group upon their initial application.

A2 Audit qualification

The auditor's report of the preceding annual financial statements of the Group did not contain any qualification.

A3 Seasonal or cyclical factors

There were no significant seasonal factors affecting the operations of the Group. However, the economic cyclical factors will have an impact on property development and construction sector.

A4 Unusual items

There were no unusual items that have material effects on the assets, liabilities, equity, net income or cash flows for the current financial year-to-date.

A5 Material changes in estimates

There were no changes in estimates that have had a material effect in the current quarter results.

A6 Debt and equity securities

There were no issuances, cancellations, repurchases, resale and repayments of debt and equity securities for the current financial year-to-date except for issuance of 1,930,500 new ordinary shares pursuant to the exercise of 1,930,500 options under the Executives' Share Option Scheme ("ESOS") at exercise price of RM1.06 each for cash totalling RM2,046,330 for working capital.

As at 31 July 2025, the Company held a total of 4,416,400 of its 846,006,194 issued ordinary shares as treasury shares.

As at 31 July 2025, the unexercised number of ESOS was 35,913,800.

A7 Dividends paid

The dividends paid during the six months ended 31 July 2025 were a second interim single tier dividend of 1 sen per share and a second special single tier dividend of 3 sen per share in respect of financial year 2025, paid on 15 May 2025.

A8 Segmental information

	<u>Revenue</u>		<u>Results</u>	
	6 months ended		6 months ended	
Major segments by activity:-	31.7.2025	31.7.2024	31.7.2025	31.7.2024
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Property development and construction	88,574	801,905	18,423	558,250
Manufacturing and trading	33,981	34,207	22,037	2,487
Property investment	7,779	7,099	5,443	4,704
Services and others	38,835	42,255	23,680	29,317
	169,169	885,466	69,583	594,758
Inter-segment eliminations	(23,851)	(36,732)	(19,661)	(24,829)
	145,318	848,734	49,922	569,929
Unallocated expenses			(3,616)	(2,747)
Finance costs			(3,261)	(4,859)
Profit before tax			43,045	562,323

A9 Valuation of non-current assets

The valuations of property, plant and equipment and investment properties stated in the previous annual financial statements have been brought forward without amendment.

A10 Changes in the composition of the Group

There were no changes in the composition of the Group for the current financial year-to-date including business combination, acquisition or disposal of subsidiaries and long term investments, restructuring or discontinuing of operations.

A11 Material subsequent events

As at 23 September 2025, there were no material subsequent events that have not been reflected in the financial statements for the current financial year-to-date.

A12 Contingent liabilities

The contingent liabilities of the Group as at 31 July 2025 are as follows:-

- (a) Banker guarantees issued by licensed banks in favour of third parties

	RM'000
Secured	36,414
Unsecured	-
	<u>36,414</u>

- (b) An unsecured corporate guarantee was issued by the Company to a third party to guarantee the due performance of a subsidiary under a construction contract amounting to RM17.6 million and to indemnify the third party against all losses and damages suffered by the third party by reason of any default or breach on the part of the said subsidiary in performing and observing its obligations pursuant to the said contract ("the Losses"). The liability under this corporate guarantee is limited to 60.20% of the Losses.

A13 Capital Commitments

The capital commitments of the Group as at 31 July 2025 are as follows:

	RM'000
Contracted but not accounted for	
- Land for property development	39,100
- Property, plant and equipment	4,538
- Investment properties	16,650
	<u>60,288</u>

PART B - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE LISTING REQUIREMENTS OF BURSA

B1 Financial review for current quarter and financial year to date

	Individual Quarter			Cumulative Quarter		
	Current Year	Preceding Year	Changes	Current Year	Preceding Year	Changes
	Quarter	Corresponding Quarter		To-date	Corresponding Period	
	31.7.2025	31.7.2024	%	31.7.2025	31.7.2024	%
	RM'000	RM'000		RM'000	RM'000	
Revenue	79,066	321,457	-75%	145,318	848,734	-83%
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation	35,385	191,582	-82%	51,045	571,874	-91%
Profit before interest and tax	33,032	189,232	-83%	46,306	567,182	-92%
Profit before tax	31,198	186,940	-83%	43,045	562,323	-92%
Profit after tax	24,368	141,231	-83%	32,083	425,517	-92%
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	16,310	140,836	-88%	23,421	422,436	-94%

The high revenue and profit before tax recorded in the preceding year corresponding periods were mainly due to the contribution from the data center land sales in Nusa Cemerlang Industrial Park ("NCIP") during the first half of last financial year.

Performance analysis of the Group's operating segments are as follows:

	Revenue			
	Quarter ended		Year-to-date ended	
	31.7.2025	31.7.2024	31.7.2025	31.7.2024
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Property development and construction	49,565	291,440	88,574	801,905
Manufacturing and trading	19,240	16,858	33,981	34,207
Property investment	3,992	3,520	7,779	7,099
Services and others	22,404	18,828	38,835	42,255
	95,201	330,646	169,169	885,466

	Operating profit			
	Quarter ended		Year-to-date ended	
	31.7.2025	31.7.2024	31.7.2025	31.7.2024
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Property development and construction	8,597	182,523	18,423	558,250
Manufacturing and trading	20,976	1,262	22,037	2,487
Property investment	2,786	2,201	5,443	4,704
Services and others	11,626	12,261	23,680	29,317
	43,985	198,247	69,583	594,758

Property development and construction operation

The high revenue and operating profit recorded in the preceding year corresponding periods were mainly due to the contribution from the data center land sales in Nusa Cemerlang Industrial Park ("NCIP") during the first half of last financial year.

The property development and construction division remains as the major contributor to the Group's revenue and profit.

Manufacturing and trading operation

The increases in operating profit for the current quarter and the first half of the current financial year mainly contributed by the gain on disposal of lands amounting to RM29.9 million in the current quarter.

Property investment operation

There is no material fluctuation in revenue and operating profit as compared to the corresponding periods in last year.

Services and others

The decreases in revenue and operating profit for the first half of financial year were mainly due to lower management fees. This is in line with the decrease in business activities in property development and construction division where the management fees are charged according to the turnover of the respective divisions. Nevertheless, the international school has contributed higher revenue and operating profit.

B2 Financial review for current quarter compared with immediate preceding quarter

	Current Quarter 31.7.2025 RM'000	Immediate Preceding Quarter 30.4.2025 RM'000	Changes %
Revenue	79,066	66,252	19%
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation	35,385	15,660	126%
Profit before interest and tax	33,032	13,274	149%
Profit before tax	31,198	11,847	163%
Profit after tax	24,368	7,715	216%
Profit attributable to owners of the Company	16,310	7,111	129%

The profit before tax for the current quarter ended 31 July 2025 increased to RM31.2 million as compared to RM11.8 million of the immediate preceding quarter mainly contributed by the gain on disposal of lands amounting to RM29.9 million in the current quarter.

B3 Group's Prospect

The global economic environment is expected to continue to be affected by the uncertainties arising from trade barriers and geopolitical conflicts. However, we remain optimistic about the property market outlook in Johor, supported by key infrastructure developments such as the on-going Johor Bahru - Singapore Rapid Transit System ("RTS") Link and the Johor-Singapore Special Economic Zone (JS-SEZ). These initiatives are expected to significantly enhance cross-border connectivity and stimulate demand for residential, commercial and industrial properties.

Bank Negara Malaysia has announced a cut in Overnight Policy Rate by 25 basis point to 2.75% in July 2025. This will create a favourable environment for house buyers and investors hence making homeownership more affordable. Backed by proactive Government initiatives, foreign direct investment also continues to flow into Johor, further boosting the industrial property sector in the years ahead.

The Group will continue to monitor the market situation and the impact from the uncertainty on global economic outlook. The minimum wage adjustments, subsidy rationalisation for fuel and electricity and the expansion of service tax scope are likely to have an impact on our cost. The Group will adopt a prudent approach by leveraging on its strategic land bank to develop properties that meet market needs. We remain focused on strengthening resilience, optimising cost management, and pursuing market responsive development.

As at 31 July 2025, the Group's land bank is as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Type of development</u>	<u>Acres</u>
Bandar Cemerlang	Mixed development	825
Bandar Cemerlang Industrial Park	Industrial	<N1> 473
Taman Perindustrian Cemerlang	Industrial	16
Taman Desa Cemerlang	Residential & commercial	52
Taman Dato' Chellam	Residential & commercial	9
Nusa Cemerlang Industrial Park	Industrial	<N2> 4
Tanjung Senibong	Residential & commercial	215
Jalan Senyum, Johor Bahru	Residential	3
Mukim Jeram Batu, Pontian	Industrial	135
Ambok	Resort / Mixed development	794
Others	Residential	5
		<u>2,531</u>

The development landbank above represents gross land.

<N1> Excluding 52.54 acres of net land sold via one conditional Sale & Purchase Agreement.

<N2> Excluding 40.92 acres of net land sold via two conditional Sale & Purchase Agreements.

In mid-March 2025, the Group launched a serviced apartment project situated along Jalan Senyum, in close proximity to the RTS terminal at Bukit Chagar. This project encompasses 1,257 units with a GDV of RM1.29 billion.

In our effort to continue developing landed properties and to align the evolving property buyers' demand, we plan to launch 167 units of mid to high-end market landed residential properties at Bandar Cemerlang and 24 units of semi-detached factories at Bandar Cemerlang Industrial Park ("BCIP") with a total GDV of RM289 million within the next one year.

Barring major geopolitical uncertainties and economic headwinds, the Board is positive and confident of the prospects of the Group's upcoming new property development and anticipates that the Group will be operating at optimum capacity in the coming years. Based on the committed property sales of RM379 million as at 23 September 2025, excluding the conditional land sales at NCIP and BCIP of RM383 million which are expected to be realised only in the next financial year, the Board expects the Group to continue to perform well in the financial year ending 31 January 2026.

B4 Variance of actual profit from forecast profit and shortfall in profit guarantee

This is not applicable.

B5 Tax

	Current Quarter Ended 31.7.2025 RM'000	Financial Year-to-date Ended 31.7.2025 RM'000
Current Tax		
Income Tax:		
Current year	6,135	11,366
Prior years	210	210
Real Property Gain Tax	2,967	2,967
Deferred Tax:		
Relating to origination and reversal of temporary difference	(2,482)	(3,581)
	<u>6,830</u>	<u>10,962</u>

The effective tax rate for the current quarter was lower than the income tax rate of 24% mainly due to certain income which is subject to real property gain tax of 10%.

The effective tax rate for the current financial year-to-date was higher than the income tax rate of 24% mainly due to certain expenses are not tax deductible.

B6 Status of corporate proposals

The corporate proposal announced but not completed as at 23 September 2025 are as follows:-

- (a) Panoramic Industrial Development Sdn Bhd ("PID"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, had on 6 December 2024 entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement ("SPA") for the disposal of freehold vacant lands for a total cash consideration of RM120.06 million.
- (b) PID had on 27 January 2025 entered into a conditional SPA for the disposal of freehold vacant land for a cash consideration of RM119.83 million.
- (c) Crescendo Development Sdn Bhd ("CDSB"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, had on 29 August 2025 entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement ("SPA") for the disposal of freehold vacant land for a total cash consideration of RM263.21 million.

B7 Group borrowings and debt securities

- (a) The Group loans and borrowings as at 31 July 2025 and 31 July 2024 were as follows:

<u>As at 31 July 2025</u>			
	Long term	Short term	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Secured:			
Bank overdrafts	-	4,994	4,994
Revolving credit	-	1,000	1,000
Term Loans	55,444	542	55,986
Medium Term Notes	100,000	20,000	120,000
	<u>155,444</u>	<u>26,536</u>	<u>181,980</u>

<u>As at 31 July 2024</u>			
	Long term	Short term	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Secured:			
Bank overdrafts	-	5,796	5,796
Revolving credit	-	1,000	1,000
Term Loans	1,986	542	2,528
Medium Term Notes	120,000	40,000	160,000
	<u>121,986</u>	<u>47,338</u>	<u>169,324</u>

- (b) The increase in loans and borrowings is mainly due to drawdown of new term loan.
- (c) As at 31 July 2025, the weighted average interest rate of loan and borrowings ranged from 3.7% to 7.5% (31.7.2024: 3.6% to 7.5%). Approximately 66% (31.7.2024: 94%) of the loans and borrowings are at fixed rate of interest.
- (d) The interest capitalised in the land held for property development and property development costs for the current financial period ended 31 July 2025 is RM0.4 million.

B8 Material litigation

As at 23 September 2025, there was no material litigation since the date of the last annual statement of financial position except for the following:

1. JOHOR BAHRU HIGH COURT CIVIL SUIT NO. JA-22NCVC-52-04/2023

On 27 April 2023, Crescendo Education Sdn Bhd ("CESB"), Crescendo International College Sdn Bhd ("CICSB") and 5 others (collectively "the Plaintiffs") commenced an action against KTC Human Resource Consultants Sdn. Bhd. ("KTC"), Chong Chai Pin ("CCP") and Allan Gan Chee Haur ("AGCH") (collectively "the Defendants") by way of a Writ of Summons endorsed with a Statement of Claim in the Johor Bahru High Court. The causes of action pleaded by the Plaintiffs were defamation, malicious falsehood and conspiracy to injure by unlawful means, in relation to the publication of the contents of the six letters shared to University of London, United Kingdom ("UOL") on 15 November 2022.

The orders and reliefs sought were, among others, an interim injunction that the Defendants are restrained from repeating The Impugned Words (as defined in the Statement of Claim) until this judgment, and a permanent injunction to that effect from the date of this judgment, an order that the Defendants shall write UOL to retract the said e-mail dated 15 November 2022 (including its attachments) and apologise to UOL, general damages, and special, aggravated and exemplary damages in the sum of approximately RM51.5million.

In September 2023, two interlocutory applications were filed by the Defendants, which have been dealt with as follows: -

- (i) On 11 September 2023, AGCH filed an application to cease to be a party to the suit. At the hearing of the application on 11 December 2023, the court dismissed the application with costs of RM3,000.00. AGCH remains as a defendant in this suit.
- (ii) On 21 September 2023, CCP and KTC filed an application to amend their defence. As agreed between the parties and directed by the court, the Defendants filed its amended defence. Accordingly, the Plaintiffs had filed an amended reply to the amended defence.

At the case management on 6 November 2024, the parties updated the court that the pre-trial documents as directed by the court have been duly filed. The court fixed 9 February 2026 for a final Case Management before the trial and for parties to exchange witness statements.

Trial is re-scheduled to be held on 23 March 2026 - 27 March 2026 at the Johor Bahru High Court.

The Plaintiffs have been advised that they have a reasonable prospect of succeeding in their claim against the Defendants for defamation, among others.

2. JOHOR BAHRU HIGH COURT CIVIL SUIT NO. JA-22NCVC-3-01/2024

KTC and CCP (collectively "The Plaintiffs for the 2nd Suit") commenced an action against CESB, CICSB and 7 others (collectively "the Defendants for the 2nd Suit") by way of an Originating Summons dated 14 September 2023 in the Johor Bahru High Court pursuant to Section 346 of the Companies Act 2016.

The Originating Summons was filed for, among others, an interim injunction order that the Defendants for the 2nd Suit are restrained from continuing the construction works of the second wing of the college building of Crescendo International College until the disposal of the proceedings of this action, general damages and exemplary and/or compensatory damages as assessed by the court.

On 10 November 2023, an application was filed on behalf of the Defendants for the 2nd Suit for an order that the Originating Summons be continued as if the action had been begun by a Writ of Summons and further directions be given as to the conduct of the action thereto, among others. At the hearing of the application on 20 December 2023, the application was allowed by the court.

Following the court's order on 20 December 2023, the parties have filed their pleadings under the Writ of Summons action.

The Plaintiffs for the 2nd Suit, through a Statement of Claim filed, has sought for, among others, the following orders and reliefs:-

- (i) that CICSB be wound up by the Court under the provisions of the Companies Act 2016;
- (ii) that the Official Receiver of Malaysia can be appointed as the liquidator for CICSB;
- (iii) interim injunction orders to restrain the Defendants for the 2nd Suit from continuing the construction works of the Second Wing which is being carried out on No. 3, Jalan Lebu Cemerlang, Taman Desa Cemerlang, 81800 Ulu Tiram, Johor, PTD 204100 and from issuing any payment of money from any bank accounts of the Defendants for the 2nd Suit for the said construction works until the disposal of the proceedings of this action;
- (iv) an order for a special audit process held through the appointment of an independent auditor proposed by the Plaintiffs for the 2nd Suit in relation to the issue of building costs, the amount of rent charged by CESB to CICSB and bank loan payment interest for construction works of the Second
- (v) all loss of profit and loss of opportunity for CICSB and KTC to generate profits for CICSB and KTC on the dealings of the purchase of land from UEM Land Bhd and the purchase of land from Danga Bay project that has caused CICSB loss of profits to be interpreted and paid to the Plaintiffs for the 2nd Suit.

On 11 December 2024, the Defendants have filed interlocutory applications pursuant to Order 18, Rule 19(1) of the Rules of Court 2012 to strike out this suit. The hearing for these applications is fixed on 22 October 2025.

CESB and CICSB have been advised that they have a reasonable prospect of succeeding to resist the Plaintiffs' claim pursuant to Section 346 of the Companies Act 2016.

3. JOHOR BAHRU HIGH COURT CIVIL SUIT NO. JA-22NCVC-6-01/2024

CESB commenced an action against KTC and CICSB by way of Writ of Summons dated 24 January 2024 and Amended Statement of Claim dated 1 February 2024 in the Johor Bahru High Court, claiming for, among others, the following orders and reliefs:

- (i) a declaration that KTC had breached the Joint Venture Agreement dated 11 December 1998 ("JVA") between CESB and KTC;
- (ii) an order for specific performance that KTC shall sell and transfer their 350,000 shares in CICSB to CESB at the price of RM2,079,000 within 7 days of the judgment;
- (iii) an order for specific performance that KTC shall take all the necessary action to sell and transfer its 350,000 shares in CICSB to CESB; and
- (iv) an order for specific performance as against CICSB to take all the necessary action to recognize the sale and transfer of KTC's 350,000 shares in CICSB to CESB, and to reflect the same in all of its relevant official records and documents including informing third parties of the same.

CICSB is named as defendant in this suit because its shares form the subject matter of this suit and it is necessary for the orders made by the court to bind it directly.

On 6 February 2024, CESB filed an application for a summary judgment pursuant to Order 81, Rule 1 of the Rules of Court, 2012 ("Order 81 Application").

Subsequently, KTC filed an application supported by an affidavit affirmed by CCP ("Stay Application") to stay the proceedings of the Writ action and the Order 81 Application until the disposal of the Stay Application, on the basis that the disputes between the parties concerning the JVA should be referred to arbitration. Further, on 6 May 2024, KTC through their solicitors wrote to the court proposing that parties resolve the issues through mediation, and asked for a stay of all the proceedings and applications under this suit pending the outcome of the proposed mediation. There has been no directions from the court for parties to undergo such mediation.

The hearing for the Order 81 Application was held on 1 August 2024. On 28 October 2024, the judge directed that the Stay Application be heard and thereafter decision will be given for both the Order 81 Application and the Stay Application.

Following the hearing of the Stay Application on 15 January 2025, the judge dismissed the Stay Application with costs awarded to CESB, and dismissed the Order 81 Application with costs in the cause i.e. to be determined at the end of the trial.

The parties have filed the pre-trial documents for this suit. The next case management is fixed on 2 October 2025.

Trial is scheduled to be held from 8 December 2025 to 12 December 2025 at the Johor Bahru High Court.

CESB has been advised that they have a reasonable prospect of succeeding against the Defendants for an order for specific performance in respect of the sale and transfer of KTC's shares in CICSB to CESB.

B9 Dividend

(a) The Board is pleased to declare an interim single tier dividend of 1 sen per share in respect of the financial year ending 31 January 2026.

- (i) amount per share : 1 sen interim single tier;
- (ii) previous corresponding period : 1 sen single tier (interim) and 5 sen single tier (special);
- (iii) date of payment: 13 November 2025; and
- (iv) in respect of deposited securities, entitlement to dividends will be determined on the basis of the record of depositors as at 23 October 2025.

(b) Total dividend for the current financial year-to-date : 1 sen interim single tier per share.

B10 Earnings per share ("EPS")

(a) Basic earnings per share ("Basic EPS")

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing profit net of tax for the period/year attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the period/year, excluding treasury shares held by the Company.

	Current Quarter Ended 31.7.2025	Financial Year-to-date Ended 31.7.2025
Profit net of tax attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	16,310	23,421
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	841,551	841,224
Basic EPS (Sen)	1.94	2.78

(b) Diluted earnings per share ("Diluted EPS")

Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing profit net of tax for the period/year attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year, excluding treasury shares held by the Company, plus the weighted average number of ordinary shares that would be issued on the conversion of all the dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

	Current Quarter Ended 31.7.2025	Financial Year-to-date Ended 31.7.2025
Profit net of tax attributable to owners of the Company (RM'000)	16,310	23,421
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	841,551	841,224
Adjustment for dilutive effect of share options ('000)	4,964	2,707
Adjusted weighted average number of shares for Diluted EPS ('000)	846,515	843,931
Diluted EPS (Sen)	1.93	2.78

B11 Notes to the statement of comprehensive income

	Current Quarter Ended 31.7.2025 RM'000	Financial Year-to-date Ended 31.7.2025 RM'000
(a) Interest income	1,143	4,571
(b) Other income including investment income	6,974	11,782
(c) Interest expenses	(1,834)	(3,261)
(d) Depreciation and amortisation	(2,353)	(4,739)
(e) (Provision for and write off) / write back of receivables	5	(16)
(f) (Provision for and write off) / write back of inventories	-	-
(g) Gain or (loss) on disposal of quoted or unquoted investments or properties	29,932	29,932
(h) Impairment of assets	(2,309)	(2,309)
(i) Foreign exchange gain or (loss)	(116)	(139)
(j) Gain or (loss) on derivatives	-	-
(k) Exceptional items	-	-