

FINANCIAL REVIEW AND OUTLOOK

GROUP	Financial Year ended 31 March		Change %
	2023	2022	
	S\$'000	S\$'000	
Revenue	1,872,259	1,665,579	12.4
Operating profit	93,166	112,074	(16.9)
Share of profit of associated companies and joint ventures	23	4,847	(99.5)
Profit after tax	38,760	87,743	(55.8)
Exceptional items, net of tax ⁽¹⁾	(7,705)	1,858	N.M.
Net profit attributable to equity holders	24,679	83,112	(70.3)
Underlying net profit ⁽²⁾	32,384	81,254	(60.1)
Basic earnings per share (S cents)	0.62	3.09	(79.9)
Underlying earnings per share (S cents) ⁽²⁾	0.96	3.01	(68.1)

Note:

⁽¹⁾ Exceptional items comprised one-off items such as asset impairment, fair value changes on investment properties, fair value loss on put option redemption liability, gains or losses on sale of investments and property, plant and equipment, M&A related expenses and others.

⁽²⁾ Underlying net profit is defined as net profit before exceptional items, net of tax. Underlying earnings per share has been re-presented to exclude the underlying net profit attributable to perpetual securities holders of the Company.

N.M. Not meaningful.

REVENUE	Financial Year ended 31 March		Change %
	2023	2022	
	S\$'000	S\$'000	
Logistics	1,322,358	998,530	32.4
Post and Parcel	521,347	622,334	(16.2)
Property	88,331	114,906	(23.1)
Inter-segment eliminations *	(59,777)	(70,191)	(14.8)
	1,872,259	1,665,579	12.4

* Inter-segment eliminations relate to the elimination of inter-segment billings for internal services to better reflect the profitability of each business segment.

OPERATING PROFIT	Financial Year ended 31 March		Change %
	2023	2022	
	S\$'000	S\$'000	
Logistics	84,742	44,295	91.3
Post and Parcel	(15,874)	24,851	N.M.
Property	44,012	52,867	(16.7)
Others [#]	(19,714)	(9,939)	(98.3)
	93,166	112,074	(16.9)

[#] Others refer to unallocated corporate overhead items

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Group

The Group's transformation yielded results as revenue grew 12.4% to a record of S\$1.87 billion for the full year ended 31 March 2023 ("FY22/23"). The Group's new engine of growth in Australia replaced the declines in revenues from Post & Parcel and freight forwarding businesses during the year.

Logistics

Logistics revenue increased by 32.4% in FY22/23, mainly due to the consolidation of FMH for the full year compared to four months in the previous financial year.

Revenue from the Australia businesses – FMH and CouriersPlease, nearly doubled from S\$413.6 million to S\$815.1 million for the full year with the consolidation of FMH. FMH's B2B business continued to perform well, driven by increased volumes from customers and acquisition of new customers, as well as inorganic contribution from its strategic acquisitions. This helped to offset the impact of lower revenue from CouriersPlease's B2C last mile delivery business due to decrease in eCommerce delivery volumes following the easing of pandemic restrictions.

In the freight forwarding business, Famous Holdings recorded exceptional revenues during the pandemic. Freight rates and volumes have since begun to normalise. Consequently, revenue declined 12.7% from S\$478.4 million to S\$417.7 million.

Overall Logistics operating profit grew by 91.3% for the full year, largely contributed by the strong performance of both FMH and Famous Holdings.

Post and Parcel

The Post & Parcel segment recorded revenue decline of 16.2% for FY2022/23.

Domestic Post and Parcel ("DPP") revenue declined by 9.3% for the full year. There was a higher base effect from the previous year which recorded significant eCommerce volumes during the pandemic. eCommerce logistics volumes were also lower due to reduced volumes from a major eCommerce customer who insourced part of its logistics. The volume of letters and printed papers continued to decline.

International Post & Parcel ("IPP") revenue declined by 20.5% for the full year. IPP was negatively impacted, particularly in the first quarter of the financial year, by pandemic-related lockdowns in China which reduced cross-border eCommerce logistics volumes.

The Post & Parcel segment recorded an operating loss of S\$15.9 million, compared to a profit of S\$24.9 million in the previous financial year. The full year loss in DPP and IPP was due to the decline in delivery volumes, coupled with inflationary increases in labour, utility, fuel and conveyance expenses.

Property

Property revenue, comprising revenue from SingPost Centre and other properties, was lower following the divestment of self-storage business General Storage Company in December 2021. Overall occupancy at SingPost Centre was higher at 98.2% as at 31 March 2023, compared to 95.8% as at 31 March 2022, due to increased take-up of office space.

Others

The Others segment refers to corporate overhead expenses which include share-based compensation. Prior year expenses included a reversal of share-based compensation. On a comparable basis, corporate overhead expenses were relatively flat.

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Operating Expenses

Total operating expenses rose 14.3% to S\$1.78 billion for the full year.

Volume-related expenses, which include conveyance costs and outpayments for international postal terminal dues, recorded an increase of 15.5% to S\$1.2 billion, mainly due to the consolidation of the full year results of FMH which offset declines in conveyance costs in the cross-border eCommerce logistics and freight forwarding businesses.

The consolidation of FMH's full year results also resulted in increases in labour and related, administrative, depreciation and amortisation, and selling-related expenses.

Labour and related expenses were higher by 13.2% to S\$350.7 million, largely due to higher manpower costs.

Administrative expenses rose by 9.5% to S\$126.2 million. Besides the consolidation of FMH, the higher administrative expenses were also due to increase in property-related expenses.

Depreciation and amortisation expenses increased by 10.9% to S\$82.6 million for the full year.

Selling-related expenses were higher by 32.2% to S\$9.7 million from S\$7.4 million.

Other Income

Other income decreased from S\$6.7 million to S\$4.1 million for the full year primarily due to a decrease in trade-related foreign exchange gains.

Share of Results of Associated Companies and Joint Ventures

Bulk of the share of profit from associated companies and joint ventures in the previous year was from FMH when it was an associated company. Following the increase in shareholding in FMH and its consolidation as a subsidiary, share of profit from associated companies and joint ventures was not significant as contributions from associated companies in Hong Kong and Vietnam offset declines from associated companies in Malaysia.

Exceptional Items

Exceptional loss amounted to S\$7.7 million, compared to a gain of S\$1.9 million last year. This was largely attributable to a fair value charge of S\$21.7 million arising from a higher put option redemption liability on FMH as a result of a higher valuation of the company, partially offset by fair value gain on investment properties of S\$18.6 million.

Interest Income and Finance Expense

Interest and investment income amounted to S\$2.1 million, as higher interest income offset foreign exchange loss on foreign currency loans.

Finance Expenses

The increase in finance expenses was due to higher interest expenses on the Group's borrowings.

Income Tax Expense

Income tax expense increased by 49.1% to S\$29.2 million, largely due to higher tax expense from FMH contributions.

Non-controlling Interest

Non-controlling interest was higher largely attributable to the consolidation of FMH.

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Net Profit and Underlying Net Profit

Compared to the previous year, net profit declined by 70.3% for the full year, mainly due to operating losses in Post & Parcel of S\$15.9 million, and increased finance and tax expenses. Excluding exceptional items, underlying net profit was S\$32.4 million for the full year.

	Financial Year ended 31 March		Change %
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	
CASH FLOW			
Net cash inflow from operating activities	115,656	89,526	29.2
Net cash used in investing activities	(27,182)	(53,303)	(49.0)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities	126,784	(255,767)	N.M.
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	215,258	(219,544)	N.M.
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	280,438	501,212	(44.0)
Changes in cash and cash equivalents transferred to assets held for sale	–	(1,230)	N.M.
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	495,696	280,438	76.8
Free cash flow	87,227	65,268	33.6
Cash capital expenditure as a percentage of revenue	1.5%	1.5%	

N.M. Not meaningful.

Operating Activities

Operating cash flow before working capital changes as at 31 March 2023 was S\$156.6 million, compared to S\$169.1 million last year. Changes in net working capital of S\$8.2 million were largely due to movements in trade and other payables. Operating cash flow from operating activities was higher at S\$115.7 million compared to S\$89.5 million previously.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities was S\$27.2 million, compared to S\$53.3 million in the previous period. The decrease was largely due to the proceeds from the maturity of financial assets, interest received, repayment of loans by associated companies and proceeds from the disposal of an associated company, compared to the significant cash outflow in prior years to acquire new subsidiaries.

Financing Activities

Net cash inflow from financing activities amounted to S\$126.8 million, compared to outflow of S\$255.8 million last year. This was mainly due to proceeds from the issuance of perpetual securities and additional bank loans, which offset cash paid for the acquisition of non-controlling interests in existing subsidiaries, repayments of other bank loans and principal portion of lease liabilities, interest paid, dividends paid to shareholders and non-controlling interests, and distribution paid to perpetual securities holders.

Free Cash Flow

The Group's free cash flow (operating cash flow less capital expenditure) was higher at S\$87.2 million, compared to S\$65.3 million in the previous year. This due to higher operating cash flow and lower capital expenditure of S\$27.2 million which comprised expenditure on computer hardware, software applications, motor vehicles and furniture & fittings.

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CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The Group remains committed to an optimal capital structure and regularly reviews its capital structure to balance capital efficiency and financial flexibility.

The Group issued S\$250 million of perpetual securities in April 2022, as part of its exercise to restructure its debt and equity profile, so as to manage overall financing costs and optimise the balance sheet for the financing of future growth and investments.

As the Group invests further for long-term growth, it regularly reviews its assets for strategic fit and financial returns considerations, as well as opportunities to unlock value. During the financial year, the Group divested its holdings in indirect subsidiary Sino-Famous Intertrans Co., Ltd, associated company Hubbed Holdings Pty Ltd, and the eCommerce business of SP eCommerce. The Group also announced the potential disposal of its interest in Shenzhen 4PX Information and Technology Co., Limited.

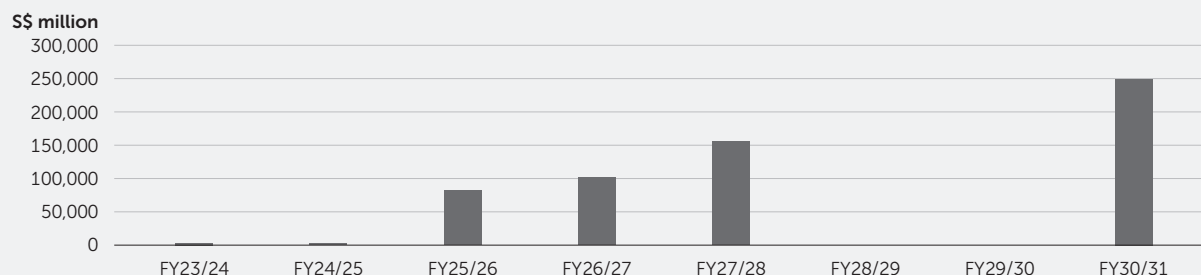
	Financial Year ended 31 March		Change %
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	
GROUP DEBT AND PERPETUAL SECURITIES			
Total debt	624,390	517,008	20.8
Cash	495,696	280,438	76.8
Net debt	(128,694)	(236,570)	(45.6)
Total shareholders' equity	1,374,298	1,142,101	20.3
Perpetual securities	251,504	–	N.M.
Net debt plus perpetual securities to total shareholders' equity (%) *	27.7%	20.7%	
EBITDA to finance expenses (number of times)	8.6	13.1	

* Presented for comparative purposes.

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Total borrowings increased from S\$517.0 million as at 31 March 2022 to S\$624.4 million as at 31 March 2023, largely due to additional long-term Australian dollar bank loan. The Group's borrowings are predominantly medium to long term in tenure, with approximately 93% locked in at fixed rates.

Debt Maturity Profile as at 31 March 2023



The Group was in a net debt of S\$128.7 million as at 31 March 2023, compared to S\$236.6 million as at 31 March 2022. EBITDA to interest expense was 8.6 times, compared to 13.1 times in the previous year.

Total shareholders' equity stood at S\$1.4 billion as at 31 March 2023, compared to S\$1.1 billion as at 31 March 2022. The increase was mainly due to the issue of perpetual securities in April 2022.

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DIVIDEND

	Cents per share
Interim dividend	0.18
Proposed final dividend *	0.40
Total dividends paid and proposed in relation to FY2022/23	0.58

* Subject to shareholders' approval at the AGM.

OUTLOOK

In the near term, the operating environment continues to pose challenges as the global economic outlook remains weak amidst inflationary pressures and tight financial conditions. Weaker consumer spending may continue to negatively impact eCommerce activities, which have normalised to pre-pandemic growth trajectory. Operating costs such as manpower costs have increased across all our markets.

In Australia, the accelerated acquisition of additional interest in FMH, which raised SingPost's shareholdings in FMH from 51% to 88%, was completed on 31 March 2023. The Group is exploring further transformative acquisitions, as well as driving greater synergies among the Australian businesses.

Famous Holdings recorded exceptional profits during the pandemic. With the reduction in sea freight rates, its profit is expected to decline.

The Post & Parcel segment recorded its first-ever loss for FY2022/23, and the Group expects it to continue to be loss making in FY2023/24. SingPost is reviewing the commercial sustainability of the domestic postal business.

With the reopening of China and lower conveyance costs, IPP's cross-border eCommerce business is showing improvement. The Group will continue to expand its presence in key markets and strengthen its cross-border eCommerce logistics capabilities with new cross-border solutions and networks to further tap the global eCommerce logistics market.

In the Property business demand for commercial leasing in the Paya Lebar Central area remains healthy, and we are actively engaging with tenants and prospects to renew expiring leases and sign up new leases.

Board initiates Group strategic review

SingPost is transforming into a global logistics enterprise and is well-positioned in high growth markets, with the scope for further transformational investment. As the next step in transformation, the Board has initiated a strategic review of the Group's portfolio of businesses, with a view to enhancing shareholder returns and ensuring the Group is appropriately valued.

The Group will make further announcements as appropriate on the outcome of the strategic review. Shareholders and investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the shares of the Company.

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INTRODUCTION

Corporate governance remains a journey and a continual work in progress in SingPost as we strive to improve our corporate governance. The Company recognises that a good corporate governance framework is essential in protecting its shareholders' interests by delivering good corporate performance, underpinned by sustainable benefits for the economy, the environment and society. Both the Board and Management of the Company are committed to achieving the highest standards of corporate governance and promoting effective stewardship in its practices and governance oversight.

This report outlines the Company's corporate governance practices for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 with specific reference to the principles and provisions of the Code of Corporate Governance 2018 (2018 Code). For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the Company has complied with all the principles of the 2018 Code and substantially all the provisions set out thereunder. Variations in practice from any provision of the 2018 Code are explained in this report. A summary of the Company's compliance with the 2018 Code is also provided on page 84.

BOARD MATTERS

Principle 1: The Board's Conduct of Affairs

Role of the Board

The principal role of the Board is to set the Company's vision and purpose, and to regularly review its strategic direction, which includes appropriate focus on value creation, innovation and sustainability. The Board's key functions include:

- ensuring the necessary resources are in place for the Company to meet its strategic objectives as well as overseeing the corporate governance of the Company and Management's control and accountability framework
- setting the tone for the Company to ensure that its affairs are conducted with the highest standards of probity and in compliance with the law
- providing entrepreneurial leadership and guidance to Management on the Company's overall strategy, constructively challenging Management and reviewing Management's performance
- overseeing the Company's overall performance objectives, key operational initiatives and corporate governance practices
- approving financial plans, annual budgets, major funding proposals, and major investment and divestment proposals
- establishing and maintaining a sound risk management framework to monitor and manage risks, and to achieve an appropriate balance between risks and the Company's performance
- instilling an ethical corporate culture and ensuring that the Company's values, standards, policies and practices are consistent with its culture as well as to ensure transparency and accountability to key stakeholder groups
- approving the financial results for release to the Singapore Exchange (SGX), the appointment of Directors and key Management personnel, and changes in the composition and terms of reference of Board Committees

In carrying out its duties, the Board is ultimately accountable to shareholders for the performance of the Company.

The role of the Board, as described above, is clearly defined in a document adopted by the Board titled Success Profiles and Role Profiles for an Effective Board.

This is complemented by the Schedule of Matters Reserved for the Board's Decision which sets out a comprehensive list of matters which require Board approval. Matters requiring Board approval are clearly communicated to Management in writing and include the following:

- setting and reviewing financial targets
- entering new business sectors and geographies
- annual business plan and budget
- changes to share capital structure, corporate structure, operational structure
- results, dividend policy and dividend payout

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- significant change in accounting policies
- major capital projects and contracts not in the ordinary course of business
- SGXNet announcements
- appointments to Board and Board Committees
- approval of terms of reference of Board Committees and changes thereto
- appointment, remuneration and removal of senior Management including the Group Chief Executive Officer (Group CEO)
- succession planning for the Board and Management
- appointment and removal of the Company Secretary
- delegation of authority

Additionally, to optimise operational efficiencies, financial authorisation and approval limits have been established and are reviewed periodically for operating and capital expenditure and the procurement of goods and services. The Board approves transactions exceeding certain threshold amounts while delegating authority to Management for transactions below those limits.

Under the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Directors must avoid any actual or potential conflicts of interest with the Company, including (as far as possible) situations which could result in an appearance of impropriety. Where a Director's personal or business interest or relationship interferes, or even appears to interfere, in any way with the interests of the Company, such Director must promptly disclose such interest at a meeting of the Directors or by sending a written notice to the Company Secretary containing details on the nature, character and extent of the conflict of the interest and recuse himself/herself from participating in any discussion and decision on the matter, at all levels within the Group including, but not limited to, the Company's subsidiaries and any committees and sub-committees that are involved in the proposed transaction in which the Director has an interest or in respect of which the Director is conflicted.

Board Committees

The Board without abdication of responsibility has delegated authority to the following six Board Committees to assist the Board in discharging its responsibilities:

- Audit Committee (AC)
- Board Risk and Technology Committee (BRTC)
- Board Sustainability Committee (BSC)
- Compensation Committee (CC)
- Finance and Investment Committee (FIC)
- Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee (NCGC)

Each Board Committee has written terms of reference which clearly set out the composition, authority and duties delegated by the Board to make decisions (including reporting back to the Board). The terms of reference are reviewed from time to time to ensure relevance. Any changes to the terms of reference for any Board Committee require Board approval. To ensure clarity of roles, the role of each Board Committee chairman is also documented in the Success Profiles and Role Profiles for an Effective Board.

The terms of reference of each Board Committee are available on the Company's corporate website at <https://www.singpost.com/about-us/corporate-information/corporate-governance>.

The appointment of Board Committee members is carried out carefully to ensure that the Board Committees comprise Directors with the appropriate qualifications and skills, to maximise the effectiveness of the relevant Board Committee. A Board Composition Matrix is used to assess whether the core competencies, skills and experiences of a potential candidate complements those of the existing Directors to ensure that as a group, the Board Committees will have the appropriate balance and diversity to support the long-term success of the Company. Board Committee appointments require the approval of the Board.

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Audit Committee

The AC comprises three members, all of whom (including the chairman) are non-executive independent Directors. The members of the AC are Mrs Fang Ai Lian (chairman), Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai and Ms Chu Swee Yeok. All members of the AC have recent and relevant accounting or related financial management expertise or experience.

The AC assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities on internal controls, financial reporting, compliance and risk management. During the financial year, the activities carried out by the AC included the following:

- (a) review and reporting to the Board on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance and information technology (IT) controls, and risk management systems
- (b) review of the assurance from Group CEO and Group Chief Financial Officer (Group CFO) on the financial records and financial statements
- (c) oversight and monitoring of whistleblowing, including review of the policies and arrangements by which staff and any other persons may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible improprieties in financial reporting or other matters and by which such matters may be independently investigated and appropriately followed up on
- (d) review of the half-year and annual financial statements, voluntary interim business updates for the first and third quarters of the financial year, announcements relating to the Group's financial performance, and the significant financial reporting issues and judgments to ensure the integrity of the financial statements
- (e) review of the scope, plans and results of the internal auditors and considering the effectiveness of the responses and actions taken by Management on the auditor's recommendations and observations
- (f) review of the adequacy, effectiveness and independence of the external audit and internal audit functions
- (g) recommendation to the Board on the proposals to the shareholders on the re-appointment of the external auditor, and approval of the remuneration and terms of engagement of the external auditor, taking into consideration the performance of the external auditor against industry and regulatory standards, which included review of the following:
 - (i) the performance, objectivity and independence of the external auditor taking into consideration the Audit Quality Indicators Disclosure Framework published by the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (ACRA)
 - (ii) the scope of audit plans and areas of focus, including the effectiveness of the responses and actions taken by Management on the external auditor's recommendations and observations
 - (iii) the nature and extent of the non-audit services provided by the external auditor
- (h) review of "interested persons transactions" as defined in Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual of the SGX and approval of those transactions requiring the AC's approval as specified in any Shareholders Mandate established for this purpose

Board Risk and Technology Committee

The BRTC comprises three members, all of whom (including the chairman) are non-executive independent Directors. The members of the BRTC are Ms Chu Swee Yeok⁽¹⁾ (chairman), Mr Steven Robert Leonard⁽¹⁾ and Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai.

The BRTC assists the Board in ensuring that Management maintains a sound system of risk management and material controls to safeguard shareholders' interest and the Group's assets, and determines the nature and extent of the significant risks which the Board is willing to take in achieving its strategic objectives. During the financial year, the activities carried out by the BRTC included the following:

- (a) recommendation to the Board on the Group's levels of risk appetite and risk tolerance for different categories of risk
- (b) review and recommendation to the Board for approval of the risk strategy and policies for the management of material risks over a longer time horizon
- (c) review of the risks inherent in the Group's business model and strategy, including risks from external factors
- (d) monitoring of the Group's current material risk exposures against the risk tolerance levels approved by the Board
- (e) review of the Group's overall risk assessment process that supports informed Board decision making
- (f) overseeing of Management in the design, implementation and monitoring of the risk management system

Note:

(1) Ms Chu Swee Yeok was appointed as the chairman of BRTC in place of Mr Steven Robert Leonard with effect from 1 August 2022.

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- (g) review of policies, Management's processes and reports concerning the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's risk management framework including strategic, operational, compliance, IT and material environmental, social and governance (ESG) / sustainability risks (but excluding the review of financial risks and compliance risks with financial impact, and the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's internal controls, which are under the oversight of the AC and the review of the Group's material ESG / sustainability implementation efforts which are under the oversight of the BSC)
- (h) review of the Group's framework, processes and resources to identify and manage new and emerging risks as a result of changes in country, technology, social or business conditions
- (i) monitoring of the implementation of the Group's risk mitigation plans
- (j) review of the robustness of the business contingency planning process within the Group for material risks
- (k) review of the adequacy of the insurance and other risk transfer arrangements
- (l) review of reports on material risk events together with adequacy of actions taken by Management
- (m) consideration of the adequacy, effectiveness and security of the technology infrastructure and data management framework to support the Group's vision and purpose
- (n) advising on the Group's strategy for acquisitions, investments and capital expenditure in the area of technology and IT
- (o) review and recommendation to the Board of plans, policies and proposals relating to matters pertaining to technology and IT, progress of major technology and IT investments

Board Sustainability Committee

Recognising the growing importance of ESG factors which are integral to the overall long-term viability of the Company, the Company seeks to incorporate ESG considerations into its strategies that provide long-term benefits to all stakeholders, including shareholders. Toward this end, the BSC, reporting to the Board of Directors, was established in February 2021 to oversee and provide guidance to Management in helping to accelerate the Company's ESG transformation and journey. The Board approves the overall direction for the Company's ESG strategy which is executed by the Group CEO, who is in turn supported by a dedicated Sustainability team responsible for recommending ESG initiatives, collecting data, reporting and communication. The ESG programme is embedded in the Group's business operations across various functions to form a holistic and integrated framework for the organisation.

The BSC comprises three members, the majority of whom are independent Directors. The members of the BSC are Mr Simon Israel (chairman), Mr Steven Robert Leonard and Ms Elizabeth Kong Sau Wai.

The BSC assists the Board in the oversight of sustainability matters and the implementation of the SingPost Purpose Statement, which is approved by the Board and which serves to guide the Company's actions and behaviours towards the sustainability of the business. The BSC also assists the Board in providing counsel, guidance and governance of the Company's strategies, frameworks and initiatives related to ESG factors. It reports to the Board in respect of ESG material matters with a view towards integrating the opportunities that ESG factors present for business growth and managing the risk factors that may erode or challenge the sustainability of SingPost's business.

Compensation Committee

The CC comprises three members, the majority of whom (including the chairman) are independent Directors. All members of the CC are non-executive Directors. The members of the CC are Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai (chairman), Mrs Fang Ai Lian and Mr Simon Israel.

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The CC assists the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities for developing an appropriate compensation and remuneration framework to attract, motivate and retain talent. The CC considers all aspects of remuneration, including termination provisions in service contracts, to ensure they are fair. During the financial year, key responsibilities of the CC included the following:

- (a) exercising supervisory oversight of the overall principles, parameters and governance of the Company's remuneration framework to ensure continued relevance, competitiveness, long-term success of the Company and alignment to shareholders' interests
- (b) overseeing and recommending to the Board the remuneration of each non-executive Director and key Management personnel of the Company
- (c) review of the Company's obligations arising in the event of termination of executive Directors' and key Management personnel's contracts of service
- (d) approval of the design of long-term incentive (LTI) plans and providing broad oversight of the rules, regulations, eligibility, targets to be set, and terms and conditions relating to such plans and administration of LTI plans, taking into account ESG / sustainability metrics for long-term value creation
- (e) exercising oversight on management development and succession planning for key Management personnel (including the Group CEO), key senior executives as well as high potential talent of the Company

Finance and Investment Committee

The FIC comprises five members, all of whom (including the chairman) are non-executive Directors. The composition of members of the AC and the FIC is mutually exclusive. The members of the FIC are Mr Simon Israel (chairman), Mr Chen Jun, Ms Elizabeth Kong Sau Wai, Ms Lim Cheng Cheng and Mr Steven Robert Leonard.

The FIC provides advisory support to the Board on the overall strategy of the Group's business, investments, divestments, liabilities and treasury policies. During the financial year, the FIC reviewed and provided advisory support to the Board on the following:

- (a) long-term strategic plan for the Group
- (b) mergers, acquisitions and divestments
- (c) investments
- (d) financial offers, treasury and banking facilities
- (e) review of material litigation

Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee

The NCGC comprises three members, the majority of whom (including the chairman) are independent Directors. The members of the NCGC are Mrs Fang Ai Lian (chairman), Mr Simon Israel and Ms Elizabeth Kong Sau Wai. Mrs Fang is also the Lead Independent Director.

The NCGC assists the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities on Board succession planning, Board evaluation, training and professional development programmes of Board members, and the selection, nomination, appointment and re-appointment of Directors to the Board. The NCGC also has the responsibility to recommend enhancements to the corporate governance principles applicable to the Company and to uphold the same. During the financial year, the activities carried out by the NCGC included the following:

- (a) review of the composition of the Board and Board Committees and recommendation of the retirement and re-election of Directors to the Board taking into consideration the benefits of all aspects of diversity, including diversity of skills, sectoral experience, age, gender and cultural ethnicity
- (b) determination of the independence of Directors and providing its views to the Board
- (c) discussion of the succession plans for Directors, in particular, the appointment and/or replacement of the Chairman and providing its views to the Board
- (d) review and recommendation to the Board of the training and professional development programmes for Directors

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- (e) conduct the evaluation of the Board's and Board Committees' performance including the appraisal of the Chairman
- (f) review of relevant policies of the Board covering the corporate governance principles applicable to the Board
- (g) review of the New Director Critical Scorecard for the nomination and appointment of new Directors to the Board
- (h) review and nomination of Management staff to the boards of significant entities within the Group
- (i) review of the process for managing conflict of interests for directors on the boards of entities within the Group

Under Provision 4.1(a) of the 2018 Code, one of the responsibilities of the NCGC is to make recommendations to the Board on relevant matters relating to the review of succession plans for Directors, including the Group CEO and other key Management personnel. Succession planning for the Group CEO is, however, under the purview of the CC (which also reviews succession plans for key Management personnel) instead of the NCGC. Such an arrangement allows the CC to consider succession planning holistically with other human resource related issues such as remuneration and talent retention and recruitment. The undertaking of the review of succession plans for the Group CEO and key Management personnel by the CC instead of the NCGC does not detract from the underlying principle that there should be a formal and transparent process for the appointment of the Group CEO and the key Management personnel, as both the NCGC and CC consist of a majority of independent Directors.

Board and Board Committee Meetings

The Board meets regularly. Board and Board Committee meetings are scheduled well in advance of each year in consultation with the Directors to ensure optimal attendance rates. Ad hoc Board and Board Committee meetings are convened as and when warranted by particular circumstances between these scheduled meetings. The Board is invited to participate in strategy workshops with Management to plan the Group's long-term strategy. When exigencies prevent Directors from attending in person, Directors participate by telephone or video conference. Directors who are unable to attend a Board meeting can discuss related issues with the Chairman and the Group CEO and have the opportunity to provide their feedback on the materials and proposed resolutions. For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, six Board meetings and a Board Strategy Workshop were held. The Board and Board Committee meetings were conducted in a hybrid manner, via in-person attendance and also via video conference and other audio-visual means.

The agenda of each Board and Board Committee meeting is set by the respective chairmen in consultation with the Group CEO. A specific amount of time is pre-allocated to each agenda item to ensure sufficient attention is given to every agenda item. The agenda of every Board meeting includes an update from the chairman of each Board Committee on significant matters relating to the scope of the respective Board Committees. Directors are provided with relevant information prior to each meeting by way of timely upload of the meeting materials via a secure portal accessible on tablet devices issued to every Director.

At every Board meeting, the Board sets aside time for discussion without the presence of Management (except the executive Director). Where necessary, the non-executive Directors also meet without any executives present, and the chairman of such meetings provides feedback to the Board and/or the Chairman as appropriate. For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the non-executive Directors met four times, which included the Lead Independent Director meeting with the other independent directors. If there are situations of conflict of interest, the Director in question will recuse himself/herself from the discussion and abstain from participating in any Board decision. No materials involving the issues of conflict are provided to such Director.

Between Board meetings, Board approvals for matters in the ordinary course of business are obtained through the circulation of Directors' resolutions in writing. Management will, upon request by any of the Directors, schedule a meeting to discuss and provide further information to Directors either in a group or on a one-on-one basis concerning the matter. For parity of information, comments received from any of the Directors are shared with all the other Directors. Additionally, to avoid any wrongful perception of undue influence, the Chairman will not be the first to sign on any resolution.

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The attendance of each Director at Board and Board Committee meetings during, and the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held in respect of, the financial year ended 31 March 2022 is as follows:

Name of Director	Board	Non-Executive Directors	Board Committees						
			AC	BRTC	BSC	CC	FIC	NCGC	AGM
Number of Meetings held	6	4	4	4	4	4	5	4	1
Directors in service as at 31 March 2023									
Simon Israel	6/6	4/4	–	–	4/4	4/4	5/5	3/4	✓
Phang Heng Wee, Vincent	6/6	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	✓
Chen Jun	6/6	4/4	–	–	–	–	4/5	–	✓
Chu Swee Yeok ⁽¹⁾	6/6	4/4	4/4	4/4	–	–	–	–	✓
Fang Ai Lian	6/6	4/4	4/4	–	–	4/4	–	4/4	✓
Elizabeth Kong Sau Wai	6/6	4/4	–	–	4/4	–	5/5	4/4	✓
Steven Robert Leonard ⁽¹⁾	6/6	4/4	–	4/4	4/4	–	4/5	–	✓
Lim Cheng Cheng	6/6	4/4	–	–	–	–	5/5	–	✓
Bob Tan Beng Hai	6/6	4/4	4/4	4/4	–	4/4	–	–	✓

Note:

(1) Ms Chu Swee Yeok was appointed as the chairman of the BRTC in place of Mr Steven Robert Leonard with effect from 1 August 2022.

Access to Information

Board members require timely access to complete and adequate information to be effective. Meeting materials are provided to Directors via a secure portal accessible on tablet devices prior to each meeting. In general, the materials are provided a week in advance of meetings and the Directors can access Board and Board Committee papers prior to, at, and post meetings. Minutes of Board Committee meetings are also circulated to the Board to keep all Directors updated on the activities of each Board Committee.

Management attends Board and Board Committee meetings to respond to any queries that Directors may have. The Board is briefed and updated on the execution of the Company's strategic plan, performance of its investments, financing plan and variance in budgets, amongst other matters. Directors are encouraged to and do seek additional information from Management as and when needed to make informed decisions. Management responds to such requests in a timely manner. The Group CEO and Management provide the Board with updates on significant events relating to the Company, analyst reports on the Company and information concerning industry-related developments.

Directors have separate and independent access to Management and the Company Secretary. Procedures are in place for Directors and Board Committees to seek independent professional advice, if necessary, at the Company's expense.

Role of the Company Secretary

The Company Secretary has a direct reporting line to the Chairman and serves as a focal point for communication with the Board, Group CEO, Management and the Company's various stakeholders. The role of the Company Secretary is clearly defined in the Success Profiles and Role Profiles for an Effective Board.

The Company Secretary is the primary point of contact between the Company and the SGX. The Company Secretary is also responsible for ensuring the Company's compliance with its Constitution and applicable rules and requirements under the Companies Act 1967 and the SGX listing rules. The appointment and removal of the Company Secretary is a matter requiring the approval of the Board.

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The Board relies on the Company Secretary to advise them not only on Directors' statutory duties under the law, disclosure obligations and listing rules requirements, but also in respect of corporate governance requirements and practices and effective board processes. The chairmen of the various Board Committees and individual Directors look to the Company Secretary to provide specialist skills and technical knowledge in these areas. The specialised role of the Company Secretary has therefore become interwoven with the corporate governance landscape of the Company.

Board Induction, Training and Development

The NCGC ensures that new Directors are made aware of their duties and obligations. All Directors receive a formal letter upon appointment informing them of their role and duties as Directors and advising on disclosure obligations under the Companies Act 1967 and the SGX listing rules. Together with the appointment letters, newly-appointed Directors also receive a manual containing, inter alia, the terms of references of the Board Committees, Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Policies on Board Renewal and Tenure and Proper Handling of Disclosure of Directors' Interest, Company's Constitution, Success Profiles and Role Profiles for an Effective Board, Schedule of Matters Reserved for the Board's Decision, Market Disclosure Policy and Policy on Diversity and Inclusivity. These documents are uploaded to a tablet device issued to every Director for easy reference.

Newly-appointed Directors will undergo an in-house induction programme organised by Management. The programme familiarises incoming Directors with the Group's businesses and strategic objectives. The programme includes presentations on the Company's strategic plans and financial performance by the Group CEO and the Group CFO, and presentations by Management on their respective businesses, directions and corporate governance practices. If required, facility visits are arranged for Directors to better understand the Group's business operations. The induction programme not only serves its objective of thoroughly acquainting the incoming Directors with the nature and workings of the Group's business, but also serves as a platform for the new Directors to get to know members of Management and to ask questions.

The Board recognises the importance of ongoing professional development for the Directors, and has a Policy on Professional Development. The NCGC is tasked to review and decide on training and professional development programmes for the Board. Depending on the individual Director's background and development needs, Directors are provided with opportunities to attend relevant courses and seminars to develop and maintain their skills and knowledge at the Company's expense. If required, briefings by external consultants or counsels will be organised for the Board. Unless the NCGC is of the view that training is not required because he/she has other relevant experience, a new Director who has no prior experience as a director of an issuer listed on the SGX will be required to undergo training in his/her roles and responsibilities as prescribed by the SGX.

During the financial year, the development/training programmes, courses and seminars attended by the Directors included the following:

- Why adopt recommendations of Taskforce for Climate-related Financial Disclosures by Ernst & Young Singapore
- The Cambridge-Earth on Board Sustainability Education Online Programme for Directors by University of Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership and Earth on Board
- LED – Environmental, Social and Governance Essentials by Singapore Institute of Directors (SID)
- Steward Leadership on Reinventing the "G" of ESG by Stewardship Asia Centre
- ID Seminar – How can Boards of REIT Managers drive the Sustainability agenda in their respective REITs by REIT Association of Singapore
- Faster Track to Governance by Singapore Exchange Regulation, the Monetary Authority of Singapore and the Corporate Governance Advisory Committee
- Cyber-Attack Preparedness by Ernst & Young Singapore
- Workshop for CEO/Top Management (BizSAFE Level 1) by NTUC LearningHub Pte Ltd
- Firefly Symposium 2022 by Ministry of Trade and Industry Singapore
- Singapore Sustainable Investing & Financing Conference 2022 by BlackRock, International Finance Corporation and Temasek
- Towards Effective Statutory Board Governance - The role of the board by SID
- Chairpersons' Club Roundtable by Deloitte Singapore
- Cybersecurity Briefing by Ensign InfoSecurity Pte. Ltd.

All the Directors attended the mandated sustainability training as prescribed by the SGX during the financial year.

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BOARD MATTERS

Principle 2: Board Composition and Guidance

Board Composition

The Board consists of nine members who collectively have a wealth of experience and a broad range of expertise relevant to the Group's businesses and transformation strategy, including eCommerce, logistics, accounting, finance, legal, business and management, strategic planning and investments, digital and IT, and global business experience. All are non-executives except for the Group CEO. The Board believes that the present size and composition of the Board and Board Committees are appropriate for the foreseeable requirements of the Group's businesses.

Review of Directors' Independence

The Board, taking into account the views of the NCGC, determines the independence of each Director on an annual basis or as and when circumstances require, based on the requirements under the SGX listing rules and the 2018 Code. Each Director is required to complete an independence checklist and declare whether he/she considers himself/herself independent based on the criteria under the SGX listing rules and the 2018 Code. Such declarations are put before the NCGC which then determines the Directors' independence. Such great importance is placed on Directors' independence that it is also incorporated in the Board evaluation.

Based on the recommendations of the NCGC, the Board considers the Chairman Mr Simon Israel as non-independent and considers Ms Lim Cheng Cheng, Mr Chen Jun and Mr Phang Heng Wee, Vincent (who is the Group CEO) as non-independent. The other five Directors are considered independent and make up a majority of the Board. In accordance with the Board's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, each member of the NCGC and of the Board recused himself/herself from the deliberations on his/her independence.

Mr Simon Israel is the former Chairman of the Board of Singapore Telecommunications Limited (Singtel), which is a substantial shareholder of the Company. Mr Simon Israel stepped down as the Chairman of Singtel in July 2020. Mr Simon Israel was not appointed as a nominee Director of Singtel to the SingPost Board. Mr Simon Israel was also not directly associated with Singtel in that he was not accustomed or under an obligation whether formal or informal, to act in accordance with the directions, instructions or wishes of Singtel in relation to the corporate affairs of the Company. Nevertheless, to provide added assurance to the Company's stakeholders, Mr Simon Israel is treated by the Company as a non-independent Director.

Ms Lim Cheng Cheng is the Group Chief Corporate Officer of Singtel. Prior to that, she was the Group Chief Financial Officer of Singtel till 31 March 2021. Ms Lim Cheng Cheng is a nominee of Singtel to the SingPost Board.

Prior to Mr Chen Jun's retirement from Alibaba Group Holdings Limited (Alibaba), a substantial shareholder of the Company, with effect on 1 April 2022, Mr Chen Jun was a Senior Vice President of Alibaba, and a nominee of Alibaba to the SingPost Board. Following his retirement, Mr Chen Jun is no longer a nominee of Alibaba to the SingPost Board. He remains as a non-independent Director in his personal capacity.

Board Renewal and Tenure

The Board Renewal and Tenure Policy provides that no Director should serve more than six years, though an additional term of up to a maximum of three years may be permitted to accommodate the transition or the retention of critical skill sets. The Board recognises that board renewal is a continuous process. None of the Directors on the Board has served for more than nine years as at 31 March 2023.

Save for the Group CEO who is an executive Director, the other eight members of the Board are non-executive Directors. The strong proportion of non-executive Directors avoids undue influence of Management over the Board and ensures that appropriate checks and balances are in place.

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Non-executive Directors are neither Management nor employees of the Company. Nevertheless, non-executive Directors are expected to be familiar with the Company's business and stay informed of its activities so that they may constructively challenge Management. They also review and assess Management's performance against pre-set goals as well as participate in deliberations relating to the appointment, reward and compensation of the Group CEO and key Management personnel.

In addition to the role and duties of the non-executive Directors, the independent Directors provide an independent and objective check on Management and, together with the rest of the Board, safeguard the interests of minority shareholders. In certain cases, the independent Directors are required to make certain decisions and determinations under the SGX listing rules. For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, five of the nine Directors of the Company are independent.

The independent Directors and their immediate family members have no relationship with the Company, its related corporations, its substantial shareholders or its officers that could interfere, or be reasonably perceived to interfere, with the exercise of the Director's independent business judgment with a view to the best interests of the Company.

Board Diversity

The Board recognises the benefit of diversity in fostering robust discussions and guarding against groupthink which in turn leads to better decision-making. In this regard, the Company has put in place a Policy on Diversity and Inclusivity since May 2018 which commits to giving due consideration to the benefits of diversity when seeking to appoint candidates to the Board and to senior Management. The Policy defines "diversity" to refer not only to gender but also to skill sets, sectoral experience, cultural ethnicity, age, background and other relevant personal attributes important in providing a range of perspectives, insights and challenges needed to support good decision-making. The Policy also requires that any professional bodies engaged to assist with the search process will be required to be given explicit instructions of the Company's commitment to diversity to ensure the search for talent is conducted accordingly.

The Company's diversity targets for the Board and its plans and timelines for achieving the targets and progress towards achieving the targets are described below.

In terms of *Gender* diversity, the Board aims to maintain between 30% to 50% female representation on the Board, taking into account the skills, experience and other diversity requirements of the Board. The Board believes that by being deliberate in ensuring a balance of gender representation on the Board, it would benefit from having access to a broader talent pool as well as varied perspectives to facilitate strategic thinking and problem solving. The Board will also exercise best endeavours to appoint at least one female Director to each of its Board Committees to safeguard against gender bias and ensure that there is diversity of views expressed at its Board Committees. In particular, the Board has ensured that at least one female Director is represented on both the NCGC and CC to advance the interest of female employees and support mentoring and development opportunities for female executives, ensuring unbiased career progression and to foster an inclusive culture. Female representation on the Board (four out of nine Directors) is currently one of the highest on the boards of companies publicly listed on the SGX. The Board's gender diversity targets have also been cascaded down to the senior Management executive team, on which the 30% to 50% female representation will also be sought to be maintained.

Besides *Gender* diversity, the Board strives towards achieving diversity more broadly, including diversity in terms of its *Skill Sets* and *Sectoral Experience*, and where possible, *Age* diversity, within the Board to enhance effective stewardship and oversight of the Group. The current Board comprises individuals with an appropriate combination of qualifications and competencies, including experience and/or expertise in eCommerce, logistics, accounting, finance, legal, business and management, strategic planning and investments, digital and IT, and global business experience, being the skill sets identified by the Board as critical to provide effective stewardship and oversight of the Group, as well as individuals who collectively possess experience encompassing the majority of the sectoral areas identified as being relevant to the Group. Currently, the ages of the Board members range from 41 to 73 years.

The Board has maintained its targets for gender, skill sets, sectoral experience and age diversity for the year ended 31 March 2023.

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The Board, taking into account the views of the NCGC, considers that the current diversity of the Board contributes to the quality of its decision-making process and adequately serves the needs and plans of the Group. Further details on the Directors can be found on pages 17 to 19 of this Annual Report.

BOARD MATTERS

Principle 3: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Separation of the Role of Chairman and Group CEO

The Chairman and the Group CEO are separate persons. Mr Simon Israel's appointment as Chairman is a non-executive appointment totally separate from the office of the Group CEO, which is held by Mr Phang Heng Wee, Vincent. The roles of Chairman and the Group CEO are deliberately kept distinct through a clear division of responsibilities to ensure an appropriate balance of power, increased accountability and greater capacity of the Board for independent decision-making. There is no family relationship between the two.

The respective roles of the Chairman and the Group CEO are clearly defined in the Success Profiles and Role Profiles for an Effective Board.

The Board and Management are mindful of the division of responsibilities between leadership of the Board and the executives responsible for managing the Company's business.

Role of the Chairman

The Chairman leads the Board to ensure its effective and comprehensive deliberations on matters brought to the Board, including strategic issues, talent management and succession planning. The Chairman sets the agenda for Board meetings and ensures complete and accurate information is provided to the Board to facilitate good decision-making in particular on strategic issues. He ensures appropriate relations within the Board, between the Board and Management, as well as between the Board and the Group CEO. At meetings, he promotes a culture of open dialogue and debate, facilitating the effective contribution of all Directors and promotes high standards of corporate governance. The Chairman also monitors the translation of the Board's decisions and directions into executive action, providing guidance on the transformation of the Group. The Chairman maintains effective communication with shareholders and fosters good relationships with stakeholders such as the staff union, SingPost staff, government, regulators, customers and other partners. At shareholder meetings, the Chairman ensures constructive dialogue between shareholders, Directors and Management.

The Chairman plays an important leadership role by providing clear oversight, advice and guidance to the Group CEO and Management and has a significant impact on Board performance. With such a broad range of responsibilities, a separate distinctive Chairman Skills Matrix has been developed to guide the succession planning of the role of the Chairman, taking into account the skills and experience of the Board as a whole.

Role of the Group CEO

The Group CEO, who is an executive Director, is responsible for making strategic proposals to the Board and implementing the Group's strategies and policies as well as the Board's decisions. He assumes the executive responsibility for the day-to-day management of the Group, with the support of Management. When working with the Board, the Group CEO is expected to forge a productive and synergistic relationship, where both the Board and the Group CEO work in partnership for the long-term success of the Company.

Regulatory Approvals

The appointments of the Chairman, the Directors and the Group CEO require the prior written approval of the Info-communications Media Development Authority of Singapore (IMDA). The Company duly sought and obtained the approval of IMDA in respect of all new appointments.

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Role of the Lead Independent Director

As the Chairman, Mr Simon Israel, is a non-independent Director, Mrs Fang Ai Lian was elected by the independent Directors as the Lead Independent Director. The role of the Lead Independent Director is clearly defined in the Success Profiles and Role Profiles for an Effective Board. The responsibilities of the Lead Independent Director set out therein include carrying out the functions of the Chairman in relation to any matter where it would be inappropriate for the Chairman to serve in such capacity or if the Chairman is unable to do so, and playing an additional facilitative role within the Board. The Lead Independent Director ensures the affairs of the Board and the Company are managed in a manner that reflects effective corporate governance. The Lead Independent Director also meets with the non-executive Directors without the Chairman present at least annually and leads the appraisal on the Chairman's and the Group CEO's performance on such other occasions as are deemed appropriate, as well as helps the CC design and assess the Chairman's remuneration.

The Lead Independent Director serves on the NCGC, leading the independent Directors in meetings periodically without the presence of the other Directors, and provides feedback to the Chairman after such meetings. The Lead Independent Director is also available to the shareholders or other stakeholders of the Company to address any concerns relating to matters that would be inappropriate for the Chairman, the Group CEO or the Group CFO to resolve, or that such persons may not be able to resolve adequately. The Lead Independent Director also facilitates communication between the Board and shareholders or other stakeholders of the Company.

BOARD MATTERS

Principle 4: Board Membership

Succession Planning and Nomination Process

The NCGC has the responsibility of establishing a formal and transparent search and nomination process for the selection, appointment and re-appointment of Directors. The NCGC also evaluates and reviews the Board succession plans for Directors, in particular, the Chairman, to ensure progressive renewal of the Board. When tasked to search for a new Director, the NCGC will first review the Company's emerging strategic priorities, then review the experience and expertise of the current Board composition in order to identify critical competency gaps that need to be filled that are aligned to the emerging strategic priorities of the Company. Taking into account the commitment towards Board diversity, potential candidates are then identified through professional search agencies, and consultation with Directors and shareholders.

The NCGC also considers recommendations received from shareholders and members of the public. After a candidate has been identified by the NCGC, a Board Composition Matrix and New Director Critical Scorecard are used to assess whether the core competencies, skills and experiences of the candidate complements those of the existing Directors. The NCGC will also take into consideration whether a candidate had previously served on the boards of companies with adverse track records or a history of irregularities, and assess whether a candidate's resignation from the board of any such company would cast any doubt on his ability to act as a Director of the Company.

The NCGC will then make its recommendation to the Board and arrange to meet with the shortlisted candidates to (i) assess the suitability of each candidate; (ii) communicate to the candidates the level of commitment expected (including time commitment); and (iii) provide sufficient information for the candidates to make an informed decision on accepting the role. The Board will then deliberate on the recommendation of the NCGC. Upon the Board's approval, the Company will seek IMDA's approval, in accordance with the requirement set out in the Postal Services Act 1999.

To facilitate shareholders' and investors' understanding of its nomination process, the Company will also disclose the channels used in the search and nomination process for identifying appropriate candidates and the channel via which the eventual appointee was found, and the criteria used to identify and evaluate the candidates.

The Board does not encourage the appointment of alternate Directors. No alternate Director has been or is currently appointed to the Board.

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The review of succession plans for key Management personnel falls under the roles and responsibilities in the CC's terms of reference. On an annual basis, the CC conducts a succession planning review of the Group CEO and key Management positions, taking into consideration the SingPost Purpose Statement and the values, strategic priorities and factors affecting the long-term success of SingPost. As part of the review, the CC will assess the readiness of potential successors, as well as their corresponding development plans, bearing in mind the Company's strategic priorities and the factors affecting the long-term success of the Company.

The Board recognises the importance of progressively renewing the Board to address the evolving needs of the Company and is committed to a process of orderly succession planning for Directors. Recognising that the Board needs change over time, the Board reviews and approves a Board Composition Matrix of skill sets and capabilities, taking into account the objective of building a board which embodies diversity and has an appropriate balance between functional skill sets, domain expertise, and specific skills and capabilities needed to support the Company's strategy and business.

At the end of each term, Directors who wish to seek reappointment for another term will be subject to a review by the NCGC. The review will take into account:

- the Director's fit with the Board Composition Matrix;
- the annual Board effectiveness review;
- the competencies, commitment, contribution and performance of the Director; and
- the Director's compliance with the Board's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics.

Where Directors step down from the Board, cessation announcements providing detailed reason(s) for the cessation are released on SGXNet in compliance with the requirements of the SGX listing rules.

Directors' Time Commitment

The NCGC is tasked with ensuring and determining that Directors who have multiple board representations and other principal commitments, have given sufficient time and attention to the affairs of SingPost and to decide if a Director has been adequately carrying out, and is able to continue carrying out the duties of a Director of the Company. In doing so, the NCGC considers the other directorships held by the Directors and their principal commitments. The NCGC also takes into account both the results of the assessment of the effectiveness of the individual Directors and their actual conduct during Board and Board Committee meetings and ad-hoc discussions when making this determination.

Accordingly, the Board has set, as a general guidance, that the maximum number of listed company board representation which any Director holds should not exceed five. The Board however recognises that depending on the Directors' other principal commitments, the capacity of each Director may differ greatly. Therefore, under the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, Directors are also to consult the Chairman of the Board and the chairman of the NCGC prior to accepting any appointments to the boards of directors or advisory boards of any public or privately held company or any other principal commitments so that such appointments may be considered by the Board in accordance with corporate governance guidelines. For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the NCGC has determined that all the Directors have devoted a satisfactory amount of time and attention to the Company and have discharged their duties adequately. Inclusive of their appointment to the SingPost Board, none of the Directors hold more than five appointments on the boards of listed companies as at 31 March 2023.

Rotation and Re-election/Re-appointment of Directors

The Board subscribes to the principle that all Directors should stand for re-election at regular intervals and at least once every three years. The Company's Constitution requires new Directors to retire and stand for re-election at the AGM immediately following their appointment (new Directors re-election rule). The Constitution also requires a Director to retire and stand for re-election at the AGM if, were he/she not to do so, he/she would at the next AGM have held office for more than three years (over three years re-election rule). Finally, the Constitution requires one-third of the remaining Directors starting from those with the longest term in office since their appointment or re-election to retire from office by rotation at each AGM (1/3 rotation rule). Retiring Directors are eligible for re-election.

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The NCGC deliberates the suitability of the Directors for re-election and takes into consideration their competencies, past contribution and performance. The NCGC's recommendations will then be made to the Board for their approval. Shareholders are provided with relevant information on the Directors who will be standing for re-election at each AGM.

At the forthcoming AGM, the NCGC has nominated and recommended Mr Chen Jun, Mr Steven Robert Leonard and Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai to retire pursuant to the 1/3 rotation rule. Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai, being eligible for re-election, has offered himself for re-election. Mr Chen Jun and Mr Steven Robert Leonard will not be seeking re-election and will be retiring at the close of the forthcoming AGM to facilitate Board renewal. The Board has endorsed the recommendations of the NCGC.

Name of Director	Retiring and standing for re-election pursuant to:
Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai (last re-elected on 15 July 2021)	1/3 rotation rule (Article 98(b))

The profile of the Director seeking re-election is set out on page 19 of this Annual Report. In addition, the Notice of AGM sets out information on the Director seeking re-election at the AGM. Detailed information on the Director (including information as set out in Appendix 7.4.1 of the Listing Manual of the SGX) can be found in the "Additional Information on Director Seeking Re-Election" section on pages 240 to 243 of this Annual Report.

BOARD MATTERS

Principle 5: Board Performance

Board Evaluation

The Board reviews its performance annually. Each year, a process is undertaken by the NCGC to evaluate the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and its Board Committees and the contribution by each individual Director to the effectiveness of the Board.

As in previous years, an external facilitator was appointed to carry out the evaluation for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. Other than its role as assessor on Board effectiveness, Aon Hewitt, an international consulting firm, is an independent service provider with no connection with the Company or with any of its Directors. As Aon Hewitt had conducted the Board evaluation previously, a factor in appointing Aon Hewitt was consistency in having the same external facilitator to evaluate the performance for year-on-year comparison.

The external facilitator proposed the approach and evaluation criteria which was endorsed by the NCGC and approved by the Board. The approved evaluation methodology covered the same measures that the Singapore Governance and Transparency Index is based on, namely board size, board independence, CEO-chairman separation, board competencies, board duties and responsibilities, board and committee meetings (e.g. frequency and attendance), selection of Directors (e.g. transparency of the process), succession planning process, appraisal of Directors, remuneration and shareholders/investor relations, communications and transparency.

The process involved Directors first completing a comprehensive online questionnaire covering various aspects of board processes and effectiveness encompassing, amongst others, board and committee evaluation, board strategy and priorities, Directors self/peer evaluation, Chairman evaluation, risk management, board composition, information management, managing Company's performance, CEO performance and succession planning, director development and management and representation of shareholders and corporate social responsibility. The responses from the Directors were then collated and a gap analysis was conducted by Aon Hewitt to confirm that the Board had met its performance objectives. The Chairman will act on the results of the evaluation in consultation with the NCGC.

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REMUNERATION MATTERS

Principle 6: Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies

Principle 7: Level and Mix of Remuneration

Principle 8: Disclosure on Remuneration

Remuneration Strategy, Principles and Framework

The objective of the Company's remuneration framework is to attract, reward, motivate and retain a talented and high performing workforce in order to achieve the Group's business objectives and to attract and motivate Directors to provide good stewardship of the Group.

The Group's remuneration framework is designed to incentivise the delivery of the Group's business priorities and shareholder value creation. It is structured to provide an appropriate balance between the fixed and performance related components.

A balanced scorecard approach is used to measure the Group's success in executing the long-term business strategy and the performance of the Management.

The following table sets out the guiding principles of the remuneration strategy and its implementation:

Guiding Principles	Details
Alignment with Shareholders' Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Align interests between employees and shareholders Design incentive payout structure to align incentive payments with the long-term performance of the Group
Provide Market Competitive Pay	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offer competitive packages to attract and retain talented and experienced individuals Align total compensation with the market, subject to affordability
Pay-for-Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instill and drive a pay-for-performance culture Measure performance against a balanced scorecard, comprising financial and non-financial metrics

Remuneration Governance

In performing the duties as required under its terms of reference, the CC ensures that the remuneration practices are in line with the Group's long-term strategy, performance and corporate values.

The CC is responsible for reviewing and recommending to the Board a general framework of remuneration (including termination terms) and the specific remuneration packages for each Director (including the Group CEO) and key Management personnel. No individual Director is involved in deciding his/her own fees. Each year, the CC also approves the annual increment pool and variable bonus pool for distribution to all eligible employees.

The CC has access to both internal and external expert advice on human resource matters whenever there is a need to consult. During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, Mercer (Singapore) Pte Ltd and Willis Towers Watson Consulting (Singapore) Pte Ltd were engaged as remuneration consultants to provide advice on market practices and benchmark data. The Group does not have any relationship with the remuneration consultants which will affect their independence and objectivity.

The CC considers remuneration practices holistically with other human resource related issues such as succession planning, talent retention and recruitment. Succession planning and leadership development remain the key focus areas for the CC. On an annual basis, the CC conducts a succession planning review of the Group CEO and key management positions to assess readiness of potential successors, as well as their corresponding development plans with due consideration given to the Group's remuneration framework and practices.

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Level and Mix of Remuneration

The remuneration of non-executive Directors takes into account factors such as the effort and time spent, contributions and respective responsibilities of the Directors. The non-executive Directors receive a basic retainer fee, additional fees for appointment to Board Committees and attendance fees for attending Board and Board Committee meetings. The Directors' remuneration is reviewed annually against peer companies to ensure its competitiveness and the quantum of the fees will only be paid upon approval by the shareholders at the AGM.

The Group CEO, who is an executive Director, is not paid Directors' fees. The Group CEO's terms of employment and rewards, including long-term incentives in the form of SingPost shares, are reviewed by the CC and approved by the Board.

The level and structure of remuneration of the non-executive Directors, Group CEO and key Management personnel are disclosed in the respective tables below. The Group exercises clawback of certain incentive components of remuneration from the Group CEO and key Management personnel in situations such as the inaccurate assessment of financial targets and performance attained or misconduct resulting in financial loss to the Group.

Remuneration of Non-Executive Directors

The fees for non-executive Directors comprised a basic retainer fee, additional fees for appointment to Board Committees and attendance fees for attending Board and Board Committee meetings and the Board Strategy Workshop. The framework for determining non-executive Directors' fees for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 is the same as the previous financial year and is set out below:

	S\$ (per annum)
Basic Retainer Fee	
Chairman	165,000
Director	65,000
Fee for appointment to Audit Committee and Finance and Investment Committee	
Committee Chairman	40,000
Committee Member	25,000
Fee for appointment to Board Risk and Technology Committee	
Committee Chairman	30,000
Committee Member	20,000
Fee for appointment to Nominations and Corporate Governance Committee, Compensation Committee and Board Sustainability Committee	
Committee Chairman	20,000
Committee Member	15,000
Attendance fee for Board/Board Committee meeting (per meeting)	1,200
Attendance fee for Board Strategy Workshop	3,000

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The aggregate fees payable to non-executive Directors for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 is S\$1,240,410. Details are set out in the table below:

Name of Directors	Directors' Fees (S\$'000) ⁽¹⁾
Simon Israel	283.2
Chen Jun	103.8
Chu Swee Yeok	135.3
Fang Ai Lian	163.4
Elizabeth Kong Sau Wai	144.6
Steven Robert Leonard	151.7
Lim Cheng Cheng	105.0 ⁽²⁾
Bob Tan Beng Hai	153.4
Total	1,240.4

Notes:

(1) No base or fixed salary, variable or performance-related income or bonuses, benefits in kind, stock options, share-based incentives and awards or other long-term incentives were paid to the non-executive Directors.

(2) Director's fee payable to Ms Lim Cheng Cheng will be paid fully in cash to Singapore Telecommunications Limited.

There is no employee of the Company or its subsidiaries who is a substantial shareholder of the Company, or is an immediate family member of a Director, the Group CEO or a substantial shareholder of the Company, and whose remuneration exceeded S\$100,000 during the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

Remuneration of Group CEO/Executive Director and Key Management Personnel

The Group adopts a remuneration strategy that supports a pay-for-performance philosophy. Performance-related remuneration is aligned with the interests of shareholders and other stakeholders, and promotes the long-term success of the Company. The Company's executives participate in an annual performance review process that assesses the individual's performance against set performance targets. Performance against these targets which include both financial and non-financial measures is a key factor determining their remuneration.

The remuneration structure for the Group CEO and key Management personnel consists of the following components:

Fixed Component

Fixed pay comprises base salary, fixed allowances and annual wage supplement. Base salary is determined based on the individual's responsibilities, competencies and experience and is aligned to the median of the market. The CC proposes the compensation of the Group CEO and key Management personnel for the Board's approval on an annual basis.

Variable Component

Variable component refers to the performance bonus (PB) which links rewards to the achievement of organisational targets. The PB is structured to support the Group's business strategy and shareholder value creation through the delivery of corporate targets, namely, financial outcomes, strategic business imperatives, operational excellence and people. The overall PB pool is a function of the business units' relative performance against their respective balanced scorecard. Individual PB is determined based on a blended qualitative assessment of their performance which includes the demonstration of the SingPost values and competencies.

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Long-term Incentives

Long-term incentives (LTI) are designed to align employees' interests with that of shareholders. It is intended to drive longer term business priorities and shareholder value creation. The long-term incentives are granted in the form of restricted shares with reference to the desired remuneration structure target and valued based on the Monte Carlo Model. There are two types of LTI awards – the Restricted Share Award (RSA) and Performance Share Award (PSA). The RSA is granted to a broader group of executives and critical talents, whereas the PSA is granted to senior Management to reinforce the delivery of shareholder returns. A greater portion of the remuneration for the senior Management is delivered in long-term incentives to ensure alignment with shareholders' interests. Notably, accelerated vesting may be activated upon early achievement of performance levels in Year 3, to motivate the Management in attaining business priorities and shareholder value creation earlier.

Provident Fund

This component refers to statutory contributions to the Singapore Central Provident Fund, in line with local legislative requirements. It is not directly linked to performance.

Benefits

The Company strives to provide benefits that are comparable with market practice and these may include medical, flexible benefits, car allowance or group insurances.

The employment contracts of the Group CEO and key Management personnel do not contain any special or exceptional clauses providing for additional compensation payments in the event of termination. For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, there were no termination, retirement and post-employment benefits granted to Group CEO and key Management personnel.

Remuneration of Executive Director / Group CEO

The following information relates to the remuneration of the Group CEO for the financial year ended 31 March 2023:

Name of Executive	Fixed Component ⁽¹⁾ (S\$'000)	Variable Component ⁽²⁾ (S\$'000)	Provident Fund ⁽³⁾ (S\$'000)	Benefits ⁽⁴⁾ (S\$'000)	Total Compensation ⁽⁵⁾ (S\$'000)	SingPost Restricted Share Plan ⁽⁶⁾	
						No. Awarded & Accepted ('000)	Value (S\$'000)
Phang Heng Wee, Vincent Group CEO	850.0	560.2	17.3	46.3	1,473.8	1,559.3	796.6

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Remuneration of Other Key Management Personnel

The following information relates to the remuneration of the Company's top five key Management positions (which are not Directors or the Group CEO) for the financial year ended 31 March 2023:

Name of Executive (In alphabetical order within each band)	Fixed Component ⁽¹⁾ %	Variable Component ⁽²⁾ %	Provident Fund ⁽³⁾ %	Benefits ⁽⁴⁾ %	Total Compensation ⁽⁵⁾ %	SingPost Restricted Share Plan ⁽⁶⁾	FMH Group LTI Plan ⁽⁷⁾	
						No. Awarded & Accepted (‘000)	Value (\$\$'000)	Value (\$\$'000)
\$S\$1,000,000 to below \$S\$1,250,000								
Simon Slagter ⁽⁸⁾ Group CEO, Freight Management Holdings Group	50.3	44.7	2.2	2.8	100.0	–	–	544.6
\$S\$500,000 to below \$S\$750,000								
Neo Su Yin CEO, Singapore	67.9	22.9	3.3	5.9	100.0	233.4	136.8	–
Yik Yen Shan, Vincent Group CFO	77.7	10.9	3.1	8.3	100.0	262.3	134.0	–
\$S\$250,000 to below \$S\$500,000								
Li Yu ⁽⁹⁾ CEO, International	92.3	0.0	1.7	6.0	100.0	–	–	–
Noel Harriyono Singgih ⁽¹⁰⁾ Group Chief Information Officer	89.6	0.0	3.0	7.4	100.0	161.9	104.5	–

Aggregate compensation paid to the top five key Management positions as at 31 March 2023 (which includes fixed and variable pay, benefits, provident fund contribution and fair value of long-term incentive grants) is approximately \$S\$3.72 million.

Notes:

- (1) Fixed Component refers to base salary, fixed allowances and annual wage supplement, if applicable, for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.
- (2) Variable Component refers to performance bonus paid in the financial year ended 31 March 2023.
- (3) Provident Fund represents payment in respect of the Company's statutory contributions to the Singapore Central Provident Fund or, as the case may be, Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd's superannuation contributions in Australia.
- (4) Benefits are stated on the basis of direct costs to the Group. These include medical benefits, flexible benefits, other benefits in kind, car allowance, and long service awards, where applicable.
- (5) Total Compensation excludes the value of restricted shares under SingPost Restricted Share Plan and the value of Rights under FMH Group LTI Plan.
- (6) The SingPost Restricted Share Plan comprises two types of awards granted in the financial year ended 31 March 2023, i.e., Performance Share Awards and Restricted Share Awards. The restricted shares valuation adopted simulation methodologies consistent with assumptions that apply under the Monte Carlo Model.
- (7) The long-term incentives granted under the FMH Group LTI Plan are awarded in the form of Rights, subject to performance conditions. The value reflected is based on share option expensing for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.
- (8) Mr Simon Slagter is the Group CEO of Freight Management Holdings Group. The amount disclosed above is in respect of his remuneration for the full financial year ended 31 March 2023, which is paid by Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd.
- (9) Mr Li Yu was appointed as CEO, International on 12 September 2022. The amount disclosed above is in respect of his remuneration from 12 September 2022 to 31 March 2023. Mr Ryan Tang ceased to be CEO, International and left the Company on 13 May 2022. He received a total amount of less than \$S\$250,000 in respect of his remuneration (which includes fixed and variable pay, benefits and provident fund contribution) from 1 April 2022 to 13 May 2022.
- (10) Mr Noel Harriyono Singgih was appointed as the Group Chief Information Officer on 18 July 2022. The amount disclosed above is in respect of his remuneration from 18 July 2022 to 31 March 2023.

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ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

Principle 9: Risk Management and Internal Controls

The Board and Management ensure that the Group implements and maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls. The Group's policy is to establish an organisational philosophy and culture that ensures that effective risk management is an integral part of its activities and a core management capability. The Board is responsible for the governance of risk across the Group. The BRTC assists the Board in the oversight of the Group's risk management framework and policies.

The Group adopts an Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Framework which sets out the components for managing risks in an integrated, systematic and consistent manner. The ERM Framework and related policies are reviewed annually.

The BRTC has scheduled meetings which are attended by the Group CEO, Group CFO, CEO Singapore, CEO International, Group Chief Information Officer, as well as key Management Committee members, all of whom are responsible for directing and monitoring the development, implementation and supervision of ERM practices across the Group.

Management Committee meetings were held on a fortnightly basis to discuss strategic, business, and operational matters. During these meetings, key projects and operational risks were identified and discussed, along with proposed mitigating measures to address these risks to ensure residual risks were mitigated to an acceptable level. Follow-ups were then performed in subsequent meetings to ensure mitigating actions were executed. Any significant issues identified from these meetings were brought to the attention of the BRTC.

The Group has in place a structured and systematic approach to risk management, and aims to mitigate the Group's risk exposures through appropriate risk management strategies and internal controls. Risk management in the Group is a continuous, iterative and integrated process which has been incorporated into various planning, approval, execution, monitoring, review and reporting systems. The Group adopts a top-down as well as bottom-up approach on risk management to ensure the strategic, business, operational, financial, reporting, compliance and IT risk exposures are identified, aligned to the Group's strategic and business objectives, and appropriately managed.

On a quarterly basis, the respective risk owners will review the adequacy and effectiveness of the mitigating controls for all risks within their respective divisions and the division-specific controls to mitigate such risks. Risk custodians, who are typically members of the Management Committee, provide oversight and guidance for enterprise-wide risk mitigation strategies and plans, and will coordinate efforts to manage the risks on a group-wide basis.

It is the Board that sets the risk appetite of the Company and has oversight over the Group's top tier risks and corresponding Risk Heat Map, which are refreshed on an annual basis and presented to the Board, together with updates on Group ERM initiatives, on a half-yearly basis.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the BRTC reviewed the ERM Framework to ensure it remains relevant to the Group's circumstances. The ERM framework consists of ERM Governance, ERM Process and ERM Monitoring. Both ERM Process (risk alerts reporting) and ERM Monitoring (Key Risk Indicators and incident reports circulated to BRTC) are performed on a quarterly basis. Critical technology matters such as IT (Cyber) security and risks associated with data strategy management are also discussed at length between the BRTC and Management, including the Group Chief Information Officer.

The BRTC also assists the Board in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities on risk management by reviewing:

- the overall risk management system and process and providing comments on changes as and when appropriate for Management's consideration having regard to costs and benefits
- the Group's risk appetite statements, risk profiles, guidelines and limits
- the Group's material exposures and concurrence on Management's assessment on the adequacy and effectiveness of the mitigation measures implemented by risk owners

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The Group's risk appetite statement (RAS) reflects the nature and extent of risks the Group is willing to take in pursuing its strategic objectives and addresses the management of material risks faced by the Group. Alignment of the Group's risk profile to the Group's RAS is achieved through various communication and monitoring mechanisms (including key performance indicators set for Management) put in place across the Group. During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the Board reviewed the Group's RAS regarding the Group's perspectives on the risks surrounding strategy, sustainability and growth, financial, people and culture.

The key internal controls of the Group include:

- establishment of risk management systems and policies
- establishment of policies and approval limits for key financial and operational matters, and the rules relating to the delegation of authorities; documentation of key processes and procedures
- segregation of incompatible functions which give rise to a risk of errors or irregularities not being promptly detected
- safeguarding of assets
- maintenance of proper accounting records
- ensuring compliance with appropriate legislation and regulations
- having qualified and experienced persons to take charge of important functions

The Company's approach to risk management is set out in the Enterprise Risk Management section of this Annual Report on pages 85 to 93.

The Board has received written assurance from the Group CEO and the Group CFO that, as at 31 March 2023, the Group's financial records have been properly maintained, and the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's operations and finances.

Written assurance has also been received by the Board from the Group CEO, the Group CFO and other relevant key Management personnel that the Group's internal controls (including financial, operational, compliance and IT controls) and risk management systems were adequate and effective as at 31 March 2023 to address the risks (including sanction-related risks) which the Group considers relevant and material to its operations and finances.

The Board, with the concurrence of the AC, is of the opinion that the Group's internal controls (including financial, operational, compliance and IT controls) and risk management systems were adequate and effective as at 31 March 2023 to address the risks (including sanction-related risks) which the Group considers relevant and material to its operations and finances. This opinion is arrived at based on the framework established and maintained by the Group, the work performed by the internal and external auditors, reviews carried out by Management, various Board Committees and the Board, and assurances received from the Group CEO, the Group CFO and other relevant key Management personnel. As at 31 March 2023, there has been no material change to the Group's risk of being subject to any sanctions-related law or regulation.

The Board notes that the internal controls and risk management systems provide reasonable but not absolute assurance that the Group will not be adversely affected by any event that could be reasonably foreseen as it strives to achieve its business objectives.

In this regard, the Board also notes that no system can provide absolute assurance against the occurrence of material errors, poor judgement in decision-making, human errors, fraud or other irregularities.

The Board has overall responsibility to shareholders for ensuring that the Group is well managed and guided by its strategic objectives. In presenting the Group's periodic financial statements to shareholders, it is the aim of the Board to provide shareholders with a balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's performance, position and prospects.

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ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

Principle 10: Audit Committee

The AC comprises three Directors, all of whom are non-executive independent Directors. All members of the AC, including the AC chairman, have recent and relevant accounting or related financial management expertise and experience. The AC does not comprise members who were partners or directors of the incumbent external auditor, Deloitte & Touche LLP, within the past two years. The AC also does not comprise any member who has any financial interest in Deloitte & Touche LLP. The AC's key responsibilities are outlined in the "Board Committees" section of this Report.

The AC has explicit authority to investigate any matter within its terms of reference. It has full access to and the full cooperation of Management. It also has full discretion to invite any Director or executive officer to attend its meetings. In addition, the AC has direct access to the external auditor. If required, the AC has authority to seek external resources to enable it to discharge its functions properly, including obtaining legal and other professional advice and services.

The Group's Internal Audit Department (IAD) performs detailed work to assist the AC in the evaluation of material internal controls of the Group. The external auditor, in the course of conducting its normal audit procedures on the statutory financial statements of the Group, also reviews the Group's material internal controls to the extent of their scope as laid out in their audit plan. If any material internal control weaknesses are noted by the external auditor, these weaknesses and the external auditor's recommendations are reported to the AC.

The AC reviews the overall scope of both internal and external audits and the assistance given by the Group's officers to the auditors. It meets with the Group's internal and external auditors to discuss the results of their respective examinations and their evaluation of the Group's system of internal controls. The AC also meets with the internal and external auditors, without the presence of Management, at least annually.

The AC has reviewed the half-year and annual financial statements of SingPost and the Group, the voluntary interim business updates for the first and third quarters of the financial year, and the related SGXNet announcements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023, as well as the auditor's reports thereon. Interested person transactions of the Group in the financial year have been reviewed by the AC.

During the financial year, the AC has reviewed the performance of the external auditor using the Audit Quality Indicators Disclosure Framework published by ACRA as reference. The AC has also reviewed with Management all the non-audit services provided by the external auditor to SingPost and the Group in the financial year ended 31 March 2023. Based on the nature and extent of the services provided, the AC is of the opinion that the independence of the external auditor was not impaired by the provision of these non-audit services. The external auditor has also provided a confirmation of its independence to the AC. Accordingly, the AC has recommended the re-appointment of the external auditor at the forthcoming AGM.

The AC has reviewed with the Group CFO and the external auditor the changes to accounting standards and issues which are relevant to the Group and have a direct impact on the Group's financial statements.

The AC has also reviewed the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2023, as well as the Independent Auditor's Report thereon before submitting them to the Board for its approval. The AC has discussed with Management the accounting principles that were applied and also considered the appropriateness of the critical accounting estimates and judgments made in preparing the financial statements.

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The following significant matters impacting the financial statements were discussed with Management and the external auditor and were reviewed by the AC:

Key Audit Matters	Review of Key Audit Matters by the Audit Committee
Assessment of impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets	<p>The Audit Committee considered the approach and methodology applied to the valuation models used in the goodwill impairment assessment as well as the assessment of indicators of impairment of intangible assets.</p> <p>The Audit Committee reviewed the recoverable amounts of the cash-generating units ("CGUs") which involves significant judgment about the future cash flow projections of the business, the appropriate terminal growth rates and discount rates applied to the future cash flow projections.</p> <p>The impairment review was also an area of focus for the external auditor. The external auditor has included this item as a key audit matter in its audit report for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. Refer to page 106 of the Annual Report.</p>
Acquisition of additional interest in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd	<p>The Audit Committee considered the approach and methodology applied by management in estimating the fair value of the remaining 12% gross liability due to non-controlling shareholders, as well as the independence and competence of the valuer appointed to perform the valuations.</p> <p>The Audit Committee reviewed management's basis for estimating the contingent consideration arising from the acquisition of the additional 37% shareholding in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd.</p> <p>The acquisition of additional interest in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd was also an area of focus for the external auditor. The external auditor has included this item as a key audit matter in its audit report for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. Refer to page 107 of the Annual Report.</p>
Valuation of investment properties	<p>The Audit Committee considered the approach and methodology applied to the valuation models used in assessing the valuation of investment properties.</p> <p>The Audit Committee reviewed the data, estimates and assumptions as well as the independence and competence of the valuer appointed to perform the valuations.</p> <p>The valuation of investment properties was also an area of focus for the external auditor. The external auditor has included this item as a key audit matter in its audit report for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. Refer to page 108 of the Annual Report.</p>

Review of Interested Person Transactions

SingPost has established policies and procedures to comply with the reporting requirements under Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual relating to interested person transactions (IPTs). All interested person transactions, if any, are reported to and monitored by the Group's Finance department. The IAD regularly reviews the IPTs entered by the Group to verify the accuracy and completeness of the relevant IPT disclosures. During the financial year under review, the AC, assisted by the IAD, reviewed the IPTs and is satisfied that the IPTs were made on normal commercial terms and are not prejudicial to the interests of the Company and its minority shareholders.

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Whistleblowing Policy

The Group is committed to a high standard of ethical conduct and adopts a zero-tolerance approach to fraud, corruption and other forms of unethical behavior or conduct. The Group has put in place whistleblowing policies and arrangements by which staff and any other persons may, in confidence, raise concerns about possible improprieties including concerns about the Group's accounting, internal controls, auditing matters and the conduct of officers or staff including Management and Directors. The Group is also committed (and has disclosed its commitment under the SingPost Whistle-blowing Policy published on its corporate intranet and corporate website) to ensure protection of the whistleblower against reprisal, or detrimental or unfair treatment where such reports are filed in good faith (even if the feedback is later found to be unsubstantiated after investigation). The IAD has been designated as the independent function to maintain the dedicated whistle-blowing channels and investigate whistleblowing reports made in good faith. All whistleblowing reports received, including the identities of the whistleblowers and the persons implicated in the reports, are kept strictly confidential and only disclosed on a "need-to-know" basis. The AC is responsible for oversight and monitoring of whistleblowing and periodically reviews these policies and arrangements. All reportable incidents including allegations of fraudulent practices are brought to the attention of the chairman of the AC and the Chairman of the Board, and are investigated promptly, independently, professionally, fairly and honestly. Details of the whistleblowing policies, and arrangements and procedures for raising such concerns are posted on the Company's corporate intranet and corporate website for easy reference by staff and any other persons. New staff are also briefed on these policies during the staff orientation programme.

In respect of the Board, the Code of Business Conduct and Ethics requires Directors to communicate any suspected violations promptly to the Chairman of the Board and the chairman of the NCGC. If the suspected violations involve the Chairman of the Board or the chairman of the NCGC, communication should be made to the chairman of the AC whereupon suspected violations will be investigated by the Board or by a person or persons designated by the Board and appropriate action will be taken in the event it is determined that any violation has occurred.

In addition, the Group adopts a zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption and is committed to acting professionally, transparently and fairly with integrity in all of the Group's business dealings and relationships as well as implementing and enforcing effective systems to counter bribery and corruption. The Group's Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy (ABC Policy) sets out guiding principles to conduct the businesses with honesty, fairness and high ethical standards. The ABC Policy applies to the Board members as well as employees of the Group. The Company also has a Code of Conduct that sets forth certain standards and rules of conduct that apply to all employees. The Code of Conduct describes the importance of protecting the interests of the Company, safeguarding sensitive and confidential information, preventing any conflict of interest, and not engaging in illegal, corrupt or fraudulent activities, as an employee of the Company. All employees are expected to strictly adhere to the rules of conduct contained in the staff manual including the code, as well as comply with Company policies, laws and regulations.

The Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and the ABC Policy are accessible from the Company's corporate website at <https://www.singpost.com/about-us/corporate-information/corporate-governance>.

Internal Audit

The IAD covers the audits of the Company and its subsidiaries. The IAD's objectives, scope of authority and responsibilities are defined in the Group's Internal Audit Charter, which has been approved by the AC. The IAD is independent of the activities it audits, and does not undertake any operational responsibility or authority over any of the activities within its audit scope.

The IAD is staffed by suitably qualified and experienced executives. Its primary line of reporting is to the chairman of the AC, although it would also report administratively to the Group CEO. The AC approves the hiring, removal, evaluation and compensation of the head of the internal audit function.

Under the Group's Internal Audit Charter, the IAD has unfettered access to all of the Group's documents, records, properties and personnel, including direct access to the AC.

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The Group's annual internal audit plan is formulated based on a risk-based approach to review the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's system of internal controls, including financial, operational, compliance and IT controls, and risk management systems. The audit work is prioritised and scoped based on the assessment of current and emerging risks, including financial, operational, technology, cyber, compliance, sustainability and strategic risks. With regard to sustainability risks, the scope of the annual internal audit plan has been expanded to incorporate the internal review of the Company's sustainability reporting process. This plan, which includes the internal review on the materiality assessment segment of the FY2022/2023 Sustainability Report, was reviewed and approved by the AC.

The AC reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal audit function on an ongoing basis, and is of the view that the internal audit function is independent, effective and adequately resourced. The AC ensures that the IAD is adequately resourced, has appropriate standing within the Group and is able to perform its functions effectively and objectively.

The IAD adopts and complies with the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing issued by The Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA). The IAD has a Quality Assurance programme to ensure conformance to IIA Standards. Internal Quality Assurance reviews are conducted on an annual basis. External reviews are carried out once every 5 years by external qualified professionals. The last review was successfully completed in FY2018/2019. The quality assessment review conducted in FY2022/2023 concluded that the internal audit scope of activities conforms with the IIA Standards.

Training and development opportunities are provided for IAD staff to ensure their technical knowledge and skill sets remain current and relevant. Support is also given to IAD staff to achieve and maintain their certification and relevant professional accreditations (e.g., Certified Internal Auditor, Certified Fraud Examiner, Certified Information Systems Auditor, Chartered Accountant, etc.). IAD staff also attend external trainings and seminars conducted by reputable public accounting and auditing firms, and professional associations such as IIA, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, and Singapore Accountancy Commission.

SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS AND ENGAGEMENT

Principle 11: Shareholder Rights and Conduct of General Meetings

Principle 12: Engagement with Shareholders

The Company treats all shareholders fairly and equitably, and upholds a practice of transparent and timely disclosure of its performance, position and outlook. The Company publicly releases all price-sensitive and trade-sensitive information via SGXNet prior to any meetings with individual analysts or investors with the view to ensure parity of information. Such information is also posted on the Company's corporate website after each release.

Conduct of Shareholder Meetings

The Company's AGM in respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2022 (2022 AGM) was held in a hybrid format pursuant to the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Alternative Arrangements for Meetings for Companies, Variable Capital Companies, Business Trusts, Unit Trusts and Debenture Holders) Order 2020 (Order). Shareholders, duly appointed proxy(ies) and CPF and SRS investors who were unable to attend the 2022 AGM in person, were nevertheless able to participate in the 2022 AGM using electronic means, including submission of questions to the Chairman of the Meeting "live" and voting at the 2022 AGM "live" via the online platform for the AGM. The Order will cease on 1 July 2023.

The Company notes the recent legislative amendments to the Companies Act 1967 which will take effect on 1 July 2023 and which will enable companies to hold general meetings using virtual meeting technology, as well as the relevant SGX guidance on the same. Having regard to the size and needs of the Company's shareholder base and to facilitate shareholder engagement, the Company's AGM in respect of the financial year ended 31 March 2023 (2023 AGM) will again be held in a hybrid format, following the legislative amendments.

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The Company encourages shareholder participation at general meetings, which serve as a platform for engagement with the Board and Management. The Company ensures that shareholders have the opportunity to participate effectively and vote at general meetings.

The Company disseminates information on its general meetings through notices sent to shareholders and published in the local press, the Company's corporate website and via SGXNet. Annual Reports and Letters/Circulars are normally sent to shareholders at their written request and are posted on the Company's corporate website. The meetings are usually held in a central location in Singapore to ensure convenient access for shareholders.

Under the Company's Constitution and pursuant to the Companies Act 1967, the CPF Board and relevant intermediaries (as defined in Section 181 of the Companies Act 1967) may appoint more than two proxies to attend, speak and vote on their behalf. A registered shareholder who is unable to attend may appoint up to two proxies, who need not be shareholders of the Company, to attend and vote on his/her behalf.

Shareholders are informed of the rules, including the voting procedures that govern general meetings. The Company has implemented electronic polling and the voting procedures are carefully explained to the shareholders by the independent scrutineer at the start of the meeting together with a test run to ensure familiarity with the electronic polling device and procedure. All resolutions are put to vote by poll.

Board members and the respective chairman of all the Board Committees, together with Management, are present and available at general meetings to address shareholders' queries. The Company's external auditor is also present to address shareholders' queries relating to the conduct of audit and the preparation and content of the auditor's report. Shareholders also have the opportunity to communicate with the Directors and Management after the meeting.

At each AGM, Management presents an update to shareholders on the Company's progress, performance and prospects. Presentation materials are also released via SGXNet and posted on the Company's corporate website for the benefit of shareholders.

Separate resolutions are tabled on each substantially separate issue unless the issues are interdependent and linked so as to form one significant proposal. In the event that there are resolutions which are interdependent and linked, the Board will explain the reasons and material implications in the notice of the meeting. Shareholders present are given an opportunity to clarify or direct questions on issues pertaining to the proposed resolutions before the resolutions are voted on. In addition, shareholders will be given the opportunity to submit written questions prior to general meetings, and all substantial and relevant comments and queries will be responded to within a reasonable timeframe, either prior to the general meeting through publication on SGXNet and the Company's corporate website or at the general meeting itself.

To ensure transparency in the voting process, the detailed results of all resolutions put to vote, showing the number of votes cast for and against each resolution, and the respective percentages, are tallied and disclosed live on-screen to shareholders immediately after the vote has been cast. The results are also announced via SGXNet after the conclusion of the meeting.

Minutes of the general meetings are released via SGXNet and posted on the Company's corporate website as soon as practicable after such meetings. The minutes record substantial and relevant comments or queries from shareholders relating to the agenda of the general meeting, and responses from the Chairman, Board members and Management.

Provision 11.4 of the 2018 Code provides that a company's constitution should allow for absentia voting at general meetings of shareholders. Presently, absentia voting (such as by mail, email or fax) is not permitted under the Company's Constitution. The Company does not intend to amend its Constitution to provide for absentia voting until security, integrity and other pertinent issues relating to absentia voting are satisfactorily resolved. Nevertheless, the Company is of the view that notwithstanding its deviation from Provision 11.4 of the 2018 Code, shareholders are treated fairly and equitably and have the opportunity to communicate their views on matters affecting the Company. For instance, shareholders may appoint proxies to attend, speak and vote, on their behalf, at general meetings if they are unable to attend.

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Dividend Policy

The Company's dividend policy is based on a payout ratio ranging from 60% to 80% of underlying net profit for each financial year. The dividend policy is published on the investor relations (IR) section of the Company's corporate website at <https://www.singpost.com/about-us/investor-relations/dividend-information>. Other than the dividend policy, the Company also discloses its dividend payment history on its corporate website.

The Board has proposed a final dividend of 0.40 cents per ordinary share for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. This is subject to shareholders' approval at the 2023 AGM. Including the interim dividend of 0.18 cents per ordinary share, total dividends for the financial year would be 0.58 cents. This represents approximately 40% of underlying net profit.

The Company has paid outside its dividend policy range over the past three years due to the ongoing challenges in the operating environment and to conserve cash for its investment in growth initiatives. In May 2023, as a next step of the transformation, the Board announced that it has initiated a strategic review of the Group's portfolio of businesses, with a view to enhancing shareholder returns and ensuring the Group is appropriately valued.

Communication with Shareholders

The Company regularly engages its shareholders and current and prospective investors, and endeavors to ensure effective and fair communication with the investment community.

The Company's IR activities and conduct are guided by its Market Disclosure Policy, which contains the principles, guidelines and procedures governing market disclosure, as well as the IR Policy, which describes the principles and practices for the Company to engage with and promote regular, effective and fair communication with the investment community.

In recognition of the Company's corporate governance and sustainability efforts during the year, the Company has maintained its ranking at 7th place in The Singapore Governance and Transparency Index 2022 and was also ranked 9th place in the biennial ASEAN Corporate Governance Scorecard 2021 published in December 2022. The Company also won the Corporate Governance Award in Diversity at the SIAS Investors' Choice Awards 2022. In addition, the Company achieved a AAA MSCI ESG rating.

The Company makes timely disclosures of material information to all shareholders on SGXNet in compliance with the requirements of the SGX listing rules. Where there is inadvertent disclosure made to a select group, the Company will make the same disclosure publicly to all others as promptly as possible via SGXNet. In addition to the mandatory half-year and full-year financial statements, the Company also voluntarily provides quarterly business updates.

To ensure timely and accurate dissemination of information, the IR section of the corporate website is regularly updated and contains all SGXNet announcements, periodic financial statements, investor presentations and AGM and EGM-related materials, including minutes of the AGM/EGM and the voting results.

At each AGM or EGM, the Board and Management engage directly with shareholders to understand their views and gather feedback, as well as address any issues and concerns.

Management proactively engages the investment community on the Company's business strategy, operational and financial performance, sustainability initiatives and material corporate developments, as well as to solicit and understand the views and concerns of investors. These take the form of one-on-one and group meetings and calls, site visits as well as participation in investor conferences and non-deal roadshows.

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In FY2022/2023, Management engaged with about 180 local and overseas institutional investors through face-to-face meetings and virtual calls. The Company also participated in four virtual investor conferences, namely the UBS OneASEAN Conference, CGS CIMB Conference, UOB KayHian Shariah Gems Conference 2022 and UBS OneASEAN Internet Logistics Day. SingPost holds annual meetings for retail investors with the Securities Investors Association Singapore (SIAS) to provide an opportunity for engagement with Management. Retail shareholders were invited to the annual SingPost-SIAS dialogue session in July 2022 where they were updated on SingPost's performance and engaged in a dialogue with Management.

SingPost conducts briefings for analysts for each financial results announcement. The investors may access a live webcast or playback of each of the results briefings, and a transcript is published under the IR section of the corporate website as soon as practicable.

Shareholders and potential investors may contact the IR team directly with any queries via the contact details published on the IR section of the Company's corporate website. In addition, they may sign up for an email alert service to be updated with the Company's announcements.

The Lead Independent Director is available to shareholders and may be contacted at lid@singpost.com where shareholders have concerns and for which contact through the normal channels of communication with the Chairman or Management are inappropriate or inadequate. The contact details of the Lead Independent Director are published on the IR section of the Company's corporate website.

The Company regularly reviews the framework it has put in place (as described above) which allows for an ongoing exchange of views so as to actively engage and promote regular, effective and fair communication with shareholders.

MANAGING STAKEHOLDERS RELATIONSHIPS

Principle 13: Engagement with Stakeholders

The Company has put in place practices that enable regular communication and engagement with stakeholders, so as to understand and address their needs and interests. Platforms used to communicate and engage with stakeholders include a current website and other social media tools. The Company has also established dedicated functions and arrangements, including participation between business and support units to manage its relationships with such groups. Dedicated functions include but not limited to Sustainability, Investor Relations, Treasury, Communications and Human Resources. For each stakeholder group, we consider the basis of engagement, key areas of their interest, methods and frequency of engagement. Recognising a fast-evolving development on ESG focus globally and to build resilience having regard to the Group's operating environment, a formal stakeholder engagement exercise involving both internal and external stakeholders was carried out in FY2021/2022 to identify ESG topics that matter to them and the Group. The results from the materiality assessments and ongoing engagements continue to influence sustainability efforts in the Company and remains relevant. The basis for and methods of engagement with the stakeholders, along with the key areas of focus for each stakeholder group, can be found in the FY2022/2023 Sustainability Report (including the maintenance of a current corporate website). It is to be noted that SingPost publishes an online Sustainability Report annually within four months of its financial year end.

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DEALINGS IN SECURITIES

In line with the SGX listing rules, the Company has adopted a Securities Trading Policy that sets forth standards and procedures for dealing in the Company's securities, and which has been disseminated to employees of the Group and directors of the companies within the Group.

The policy and guidelines applicable for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 provide that no dealings in the Company's securities by the Directors and officers of the Group can take place during the period of one month immediately preceding the announcement of the Company's half-year and full-year financial statements, and ending once the announcement of the relevant results (Closed Periods) is made. Further, if at any relevant time (including an "open" trading period), they are aware of or privy to any material undisclosed price-sensitive and/or trade-sensitive information which is the subject of an impending Company's announcement or potential media release, they should not trade in the Company's securities until the information is appropriately disseminated to the market.

During an open trading period, Directors shall provide prior notice to the Company and obtain pre-clearance from the Company's Chairman, Group CEO and Company Secretary prior to the execution of any such trade in the securities of the Company. For any persons other than Directors, pre-clearance should be obtained from the Group CEO and Company Secretary prior to the execution of any such trade in the securities of the Company.

The Company will also not purchase or acquire its securities during the Closed Periods and at any time after a price-sensitive or trade-sensitive development has occurred or has been the subject of a decision until the price-sensitive or trade-sensitive information has been publicly announced.

Directors and officers are also required to comply with insider trading laws at all times even when dealing in the Company's securities outside the prohibited trading period. The policy and guidelines also discourage trading on short-term considerations.

Directors are also prohibited from disposing the Company's securities, directly or indirectly held, within a period of twelve (12) months of their cessation as Directors of the Company.

The Company issues periodic reminders to its Directors, relevant officers and employees on the restrictions in dealings in the Company's securities.

Directors and senior Management are prohibited from entering into transactions in associated products which limit the economic risk of participating in unvested entitlements under its equity-based remuneration schemes. Such associated products include structured instruments, financial products, arrangements or derivatives involving SingPost securities or unvested entitlements.

SUMMARY OF DISCLOSURES

SUMMARY OF DISCLOSURES OF CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE 2018 (2018 CODE)

Rule 710 of the SGX Listing Manual requires Singapore listed companies to describe their corporate governance practices with specific reference to the 2018 Code in their annual reports for financial years commencing on or after 1 January 2019. This summary of disclosures describes the Company's corporate governance practices with specific reference to the disclosure requirements in the principles and provisions of the 2018 Code.

Provision	Page reference in SingPost Annual Report 2022/23
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Principle 4	
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6.1	Pages 58, 59, 69 to 72
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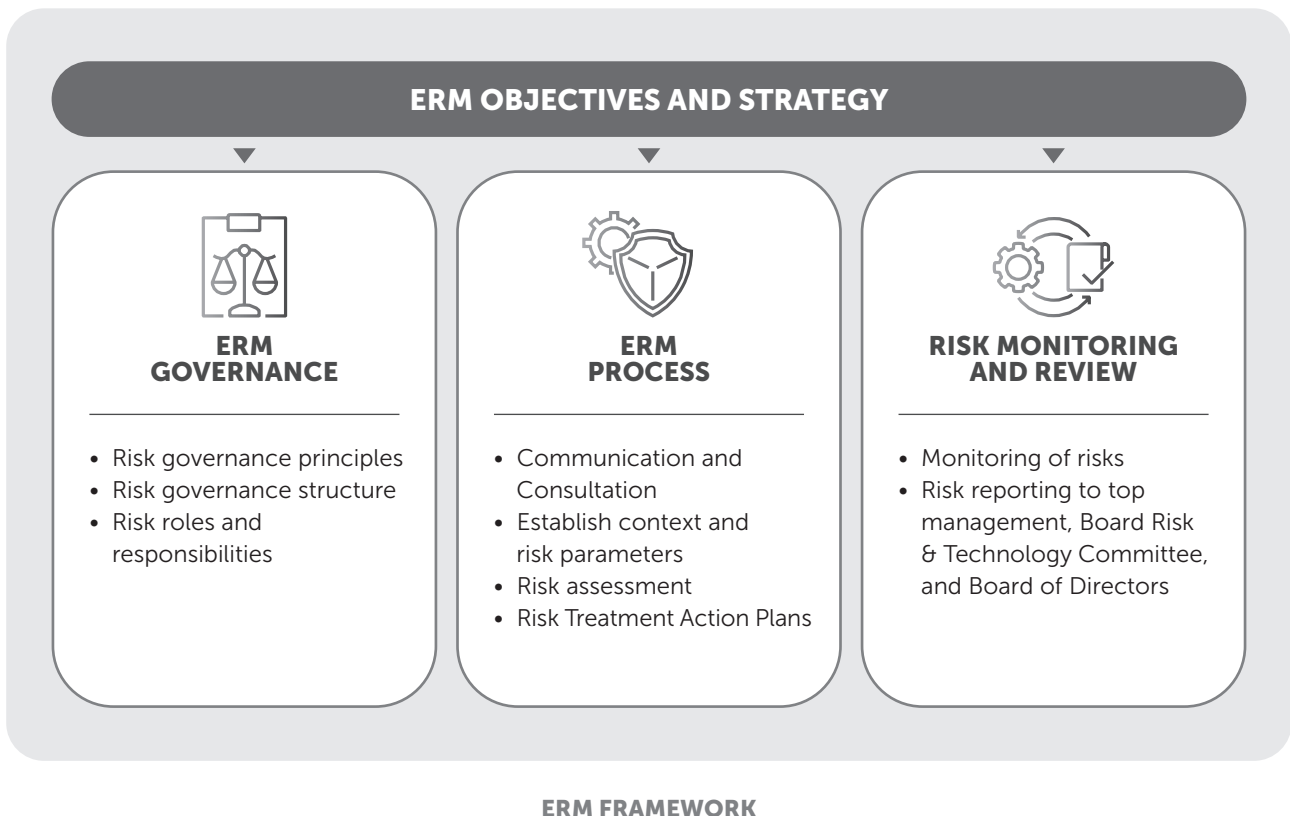
Provision	Page reference in SingPost Annual Report 2022/23
Level and Mix of Remuneration	
Principle 7	
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Principle 10	
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10.2	Pages 57 and 76
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11.3	Pages 61 and 80
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ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT (ERM) APPROACH

ERM Framework of the SingPost Group ("The Group")

The Group's ERM framework is modelled on the ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management – Principles and Guidelines, and covers the key strategic, operational, financial, compliance, and information technology risks facing SingPost. The ERM framework is supported by appropriate risk policies, procedures and provides guidance to the Group's various business units and support units on managing risks.



RISK GOVERNANCE

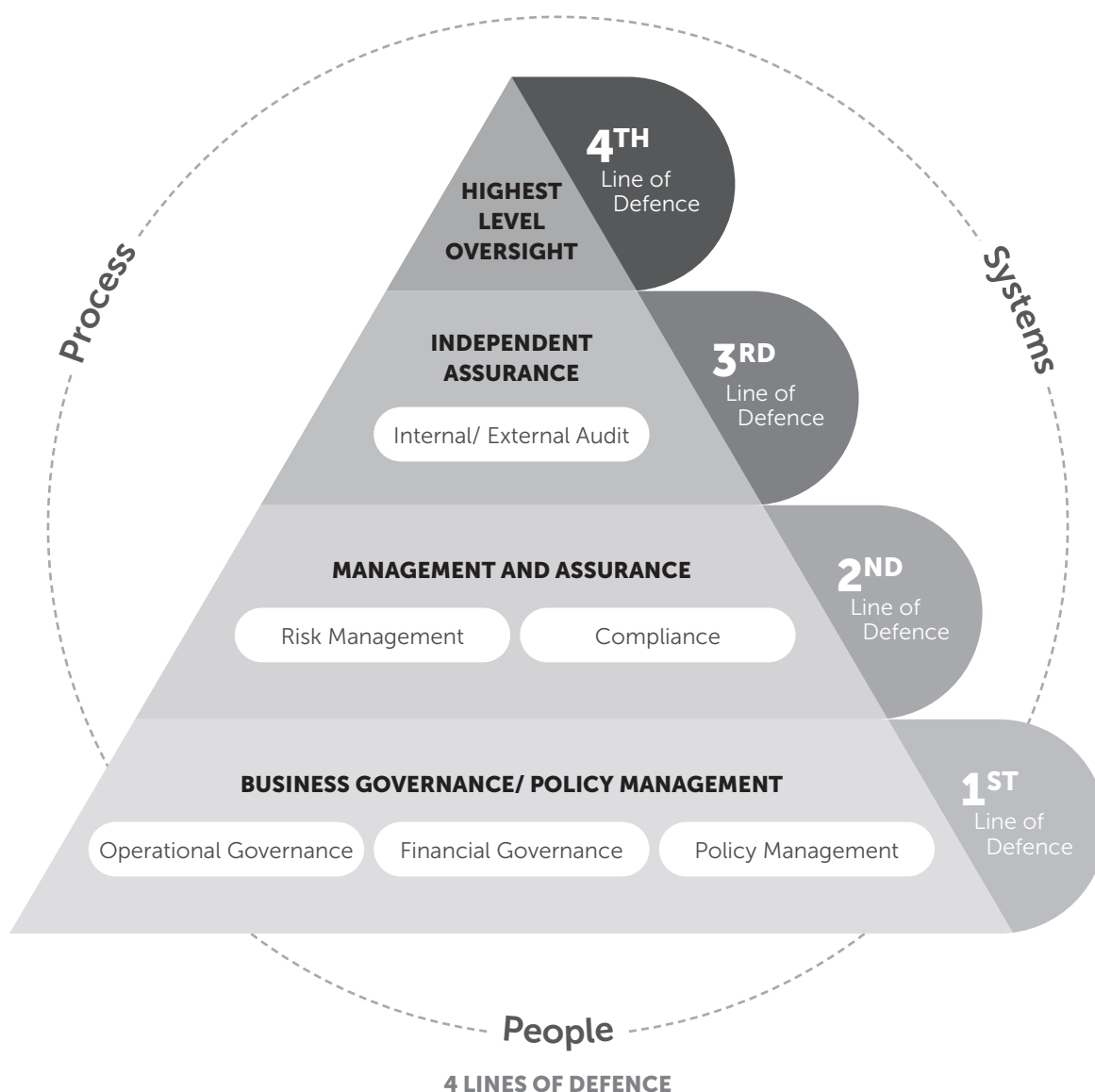
The Group's ERM programme and internal controls are reviewed on a regular basis and, where appropriate, refined by Key Management with guidance from the Board Risk and Technology Committee (BRTC) and the Board of Directors (Board).

The Board, through the BRTC, has overall responsibility for risk governance and ensures that Management maintains a robust system of risk management and internal controls to safeguard stakeholders' interests and the company's assets and resources.

In addition, the BRTC sets the tone on the appropriate risk culture and provides guidance on the enterprise risk management system and the corresponding policies and procedures. The BRTC meets quarterly.

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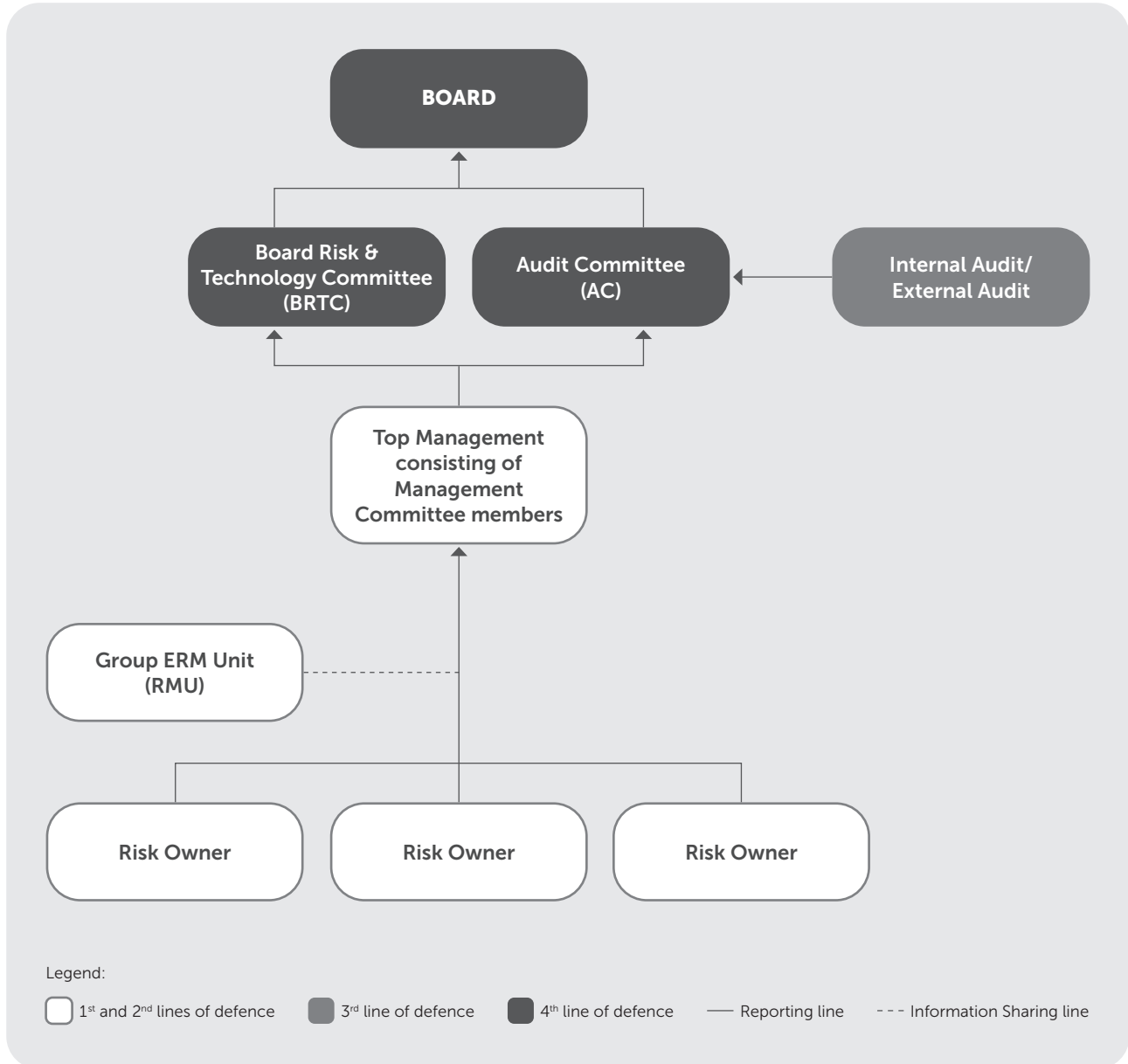
The purpose of risk governance is to embed and build on the four lines of defence (as illustrated in the diagram below), which is a prerequisite to promote a robust system of risk management and effective internal controls.



RISK GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

The adoption of the above four lines of defence develops a risk governance structure. It embeds the Group’s existing organisational structure with assigned risk roles and responsibilities.

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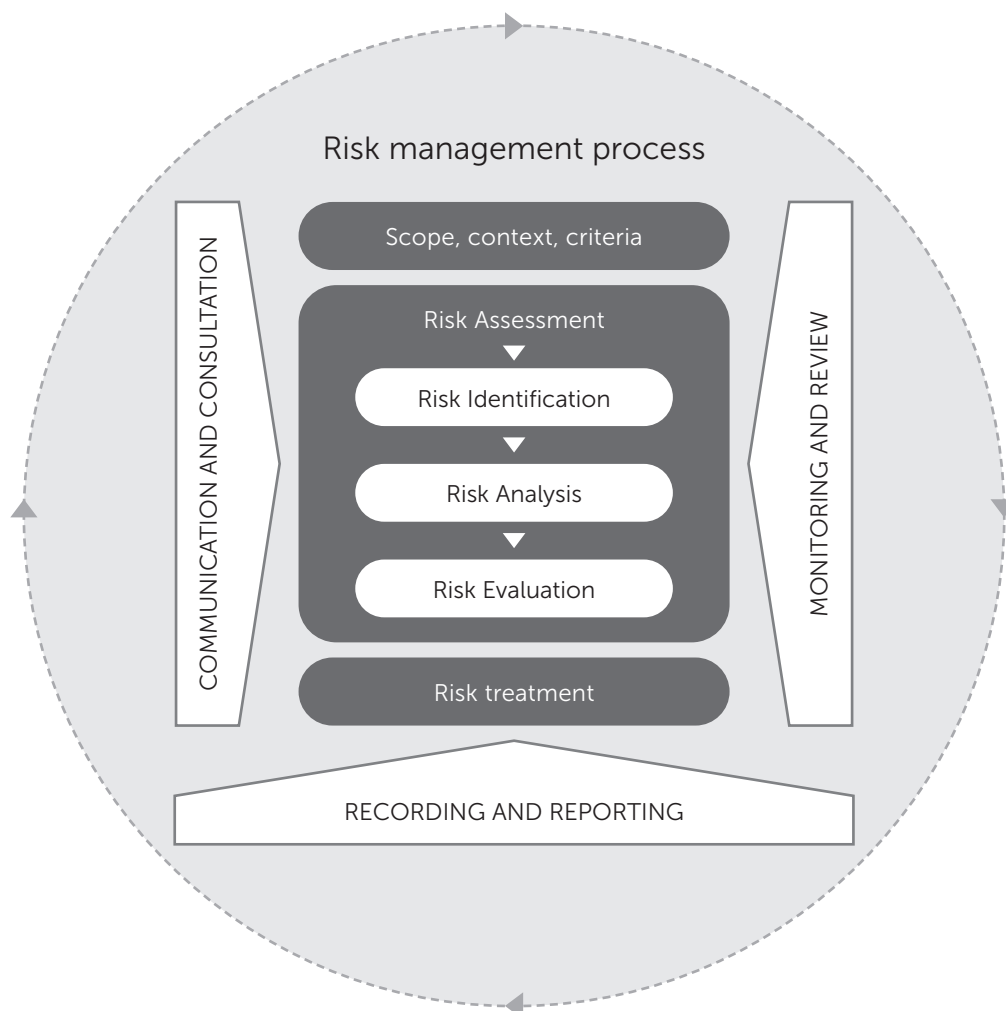


ERM PROCESS

The ERM process aims to achieve the following:

- A structured, disciplined and systematic approach to managing risks;
- Robustness of risk information;
- Accountability for outcomes and risk treatment action plans; and
- Sustainability

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RISK APPETITE STATEMENTS

The Group's risk appetite statement reflects the nature and extent of risks the Group is willing to take in pursuing its strategic objectives. The Board have reviewed the following risk appetite statements during the financial year ended 31 March 2023:

- 1. STRATEGY**

The Group is committed to upholding its reputation as a trusted organisation while placing customers at the core of its business. This will include investments into people, innovation, infrastructure, cyber, and data security to the benefit of all stakeholders.
- 2. SUSTAINABILITY & GROWTH**

The Group aims to strengthen its market position in Singapore and the rest of Asia Pacific by taking measured risks that balances risk and reward in line with its strategic objectives and initiatives. The Group will also proactively seek to diversify its business while actively managing its risks.
- 3. FINANCIAL**

The Group aims to deliver value to shareholders with sustainable profitable growth. The Group is committed to maintain a strong financial position and targets an investment grade credit rating with adequate liquidity to meet its operational and financing obligations and longer-term goals.
- 4. PEOPLE & CULTURE**

The Group aims to be an employer of choice where it engages, develops, grows, and rewards talent, apart from providing employees and stakeholders a safe and healthy work environment. The Group is committed to complying with laws and regulations of all countries in which it operates, and to conduct business with integrity, fairness and high ethical standards in all business dealings and relationships.

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KEY MATERIAL RISKS TO THE GROUP

The Group categorises its risk profile into five key areas: **Strategic, Financial, Operational, Compliance, and Information Technology.**

STRATEGIC RISKS

A large part of the Group's strategic risks comprises of market-driven forces, evolving business landscapes, changing customer demands, concentration of key customers, disruptive technology, and declining letter volume.

Risk Name	The Group manages by
<p>Concentration (The Group recognises the risk of over-reliance on revenue generated by its business unit and its products.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversifying transshipment origin, trade lanes and destination countries. • Strengthening and optimising a regional transshipment hub to serve our eCommerce customers. • Developing and growing our Post and Parcel global transshipment hub to serve eCommerce customers (from Platforms to Brands). • Diversifying the Group's income streams to prevent over-reliance on a particular business unit.
<p>Declining Letter Volume (The Group recognises the risk of technological advancements replacing physical letters, this poses a threat to the Group's revenue mix.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focusing on the growth of eCommerce volume to mitigate e-substitution. • Seeking basic postage and bulk mail scheme rate revisions. • Processing will continue to be automated along with application of smart technologies in infrastructure to enhance efficiency.
<p>Merger & Acquisition (The Group recognises the merger and acquisition (M&A) risk is the risk arising from the process of buying and integrating businesses.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopting a disciplined investment evaluation and decision process governed by the Group M&A policy. • Integrating the acquired businesses as appropriate, to maximise synergies and to ensure compliance with corporate governance requirements. • Ensuring more members of our management team to be represented as Board directors and/or management of our acquired businesses. This allows the sharing of commercial experience as well as best practices in corporate governance and reporting.
<p>Market Risk (The Group recognises that the logistics industry is an open and competitive one, with rising costs and increasing expectations for higher service standards. Failure to plan for the constantly evolving competitive landscape and grow required capabilities and networks would limit the Group's growth potential.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing multiple growth markets to diversify both sources and types of revenue. • Using data to analyse market outlook and formulate the enterprise strategy. • Establishing cost-efficient cross border hubs. • Enhancing our processing and network capacity to meet new demands.

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FINANCIAL RISKS

The Group has diversified global businesses, partially funded by external debts in addition to shareholders' funds. This exposes the Group to liquidity risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk. The Group has established policies, guidelines, and control procedures to manage and report exposure to such risks.

Risk Name	The Group manages by
<p>Treasury (The Group's businesses and operations may be exposed to unfavourable movements in foreign exchange rates, interest rates, that may result in potential financial losses.)</p>	<p>Liquidity Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring and maintaining a level of cash and cash equivalents to finance operations and to mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows. Maintaining funding flexibility with credit facilities available to meet short-term obligations as they fall due. <p>Interest Rate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewing the Group's interest rate exposures on Group's debt obligations and interest-bearing financial assets. Maintaining a prudent mix of fixed and floating interest rates for the outstanding borrowings or debts to manage fluctuations in the interest rate environment. Placing cash balances with reputable banks and financial institutions with different maturities to manage interest income on different interest rate terms. <p>Foreign Currency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constantly reviewing foreign currency exposure from fluctuations arising from the Group's operations and subsidiaries, and associates in foreign countries. Using a hedging framework, matching currencies, and hedging instruments to hedge known exposure from foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations.
<p>Credit Management (The Group recognises that weak credit control management over customers, customers' slow payment or non-payments when customers' accounts receivables are due may result in potential significant bad debts.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Credit analysis and robust screening of such customers to ensure credit worthiness. Understanding the risk exposure and applying suitable credit terms. Ensuring strict compliance by all customers to the credit terms with deviations granted only on exceptional basis and in accordance to Accounts Receivable Approval Matrix. Escalating to Group Chief Financial Officer on monthly and quarterly basis, customers' whose accounts receivable are overdue. Having a Trade Credit Insurance policy in place to insure for high valued customers.

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OPERATIONAL RISKS

The Group's operations are exposed to a variety of operational risks relating to workplace safety and health, talent retention and with the increased reliance on information systems and technology as a business enabler, a service disruption of critical information technology (IT) systems or malicious and deliberate attempt of hackers to breach our IT systems could adversely affect the Group's business continuity and reputation.

Risk Name	The Group manages by
<p>Workplace Safety and Health (The Group recognises the importance of taking reasonably practicable safety and health measures at its workplaces to prevent severe injury or death of staff and/or customers.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishing a Workplace Safety and Health (WSH) committee to review workplace safety and health performance of each business and support units. Collecting and reviewing observations and incident data, near misses; investigating incidents and mapping action plans for improvements and prevention. Conducting safety awareness workshops across for all operational employees. Conducting WSH inspection at all workplaces to identify hazards and ensure compliance to WSH Act and relevant regulations.
<p>Talent Retention (The Group recognises the importance of retaining personnel with key institutional knowledge, information, experience, skills, and connections for key positions in the SingPost management group to ensure operational effectiveness and business sustainability.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robust approach to talent identification, assessment and development allows the Group to have a holistic organisational view of our talent pipelines and bench strength. The identified pool of talent is offered accelerated development opportunities that include formal learning, coaching and mentoring as well as action learning projects to enhance their skills and competencies and prepare them to successfully take on the challenges of the future. Succession Planning for key executive and critical roles identified across the business, allows the Group to be aware of and systematically mitigate any short term or long-term risks arising from potential unavailability of talent so that appropriate steps to recruit or accelerate development of the Group's internal talent may be taken. This annual exercise, conducted jointly with the talent identification and assessment process, is with the involvement of the Management team as well as Board Committee. In line with the Group's pay-for-performance philosophy, we adopt pay differentiation where the top performers receive a larger pay-out accordingly. Top performers and critical talents are also eligible for SingPost long term incentives.
<p>Business Continuity (The Group recognises the importance and the need to recover from a business/ operational disruption quickly to minimise impact to our customers, operations and assets.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishing Business Continuity Management Council structure with Business Continuity Management (BCM) Framework to drive the business continuity plan (BCP) efforts from top down. Continuously reviewing and monitoring the effectiveness of the BCP via annual testing of the BCPs.
<p>IT Security (The Group recognises that cyber threats remain a key concern as attackers become increasingly creative with attack methods and may result in significant data losses.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintaining an IT security framework to address evolving IT security threats such as hacking, malware, and loss of data. Dedicated IT security expertise to keep abreast on the latest developments, innovation, and threats in technology, and assessing their risks and impact.
<p>Critical IT Systems Failure (The Group recognises that unplanned outage/ downtime and/or performance deficiency of Critical IT systems may lead to negative customer experience, disruption to major operations, and/or regulatory actions or fines by the regulators.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conducting periodic disaster recovery testing on all critical IT systems. Ensuring that IT servers are centrally and continuously monitored with appropriate escalations to be performed on any critical IT systems failure. Monitoring mechanisms to mitigate poor performing critical systems.

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COMPLIANCE RISKS	
The Group's business operations are exposed to a variety of compliance risks relating to postal regulation and associated government regulations.	
Risk Name	The Group manages by
<p>Data Privacy (The Group recognises that data privacy breaches may undermine customer confidence and may result in litigation from customers and/ or subject to regulatory fines and penalties.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintaining an accountability-based data privacy framework to work in conjunction with the IT security framework to safeguard personal data collected, processed, and disclosed. • Maintaining governance structure to ensure oversight is provided by the group management and the board on the adequacy of the Group's privacy programme and control measures. • Developing and implementing data privacy focused policies and procedures group wide. Examples are – handling of privacy incidents and personal data breaches, data subject access rights, classification of personal data. • Conducting regular mandatory trainings to all employees on the Group's data privacy framework and associated policies and procedures to create awareness and compliance. • Assigning clear line of accountability to all privacy liaison officers at Business Units (BUs) and Support Units (SUs) level to assist in the maintaining of data privacy and personal data protection procedures and processes.
<p>Governance (Fraud, Bribery and Corruption) (The Group recognises that fraud, bribery and corrupt acts committed by employees/officers and non-compliance with internal governance/ Standard Operating Procedures, may result in financial loss and/or reputation damage to the Group.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintaining a zero-tolerance policy and "tone from the top" towards fraud, bribery, and corruption. • Reviewing internal controls periodically and conducting trainings and awareness activities. • Mandating all staff to undergo the annual Code of Conduct declaration exercise where the anti-bribery and anti-corruption requirements are spelt out for compliance and affirmation. • Maintaining whistle-blowing escalation process where SingPost Group Internal Audit manage and investigate whistleblowing incidents and all whistle-blowing reports received are reported to SingPost Audit Committee on a quarterly basis. • Embedding the Code of Ethics into the Code of Conduct policy (owned by HR) to give emphasis on ethical behaviour and integrity of individual employee. • Maintaining a dedicated Ethics Committee at Management level to evaluate staff issues or concerns of an ethical nature, reviewing remediation and strengthening processes.
<p>Payment Services Act ("PSA") (The Group is required to meet regulatory requirements for offering payment services under the PSA and notices and guidelines released by the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Non-compliance with the above may result in financial penalties or in the worst case, a suspension of the licence resulting in stoppage of the business.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing and implementing relevant policies and procedures. Examples are – Anti-Money Laundering/Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) as required, safeguarding requirements, issuance of receipts, etc. • Maintaining a checklist and ensuring that all products and services offered or to be offered by the Group will adhere to the PSA regulation. • Conducting training to all employees on the PSA regulation and associated policies and procedures to create awareness and compliance. • Monitoring and assessing the impact of PSA and the changes of the PSA regulation to minimise impact to the business.

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Risk Name	The Group manages by
<p>Sanctions (The Group recognises that violations of trade compliance laws and regulations, including sanctions and embargoes, will carry fines and expose the Group and its employees to criminal sanctions and civil suits.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring and tracking the developments of significant sanctions issued by international organisations (e.g. United Nations) as well as unilateral sanctions issued by countries/jurisdictions such as United States of America and the European Union. Creating a continual awareness on the latest developments and requirements via monthly and ad-hoc email circulars to the various Business Units (BU) and Support Units (SU). Establishing an escalation channel for BUs and SUs to flag any suspicious or high-risk transaction to Group Compliance for review and assessment and screen the associated parties against sanction lists/databases. Establishing the Third-Party Due Diligence policy to guide all employees on the required measures and process when engaging third parties. Monitoring and reviewing adequacy of resources for managing sanction risk to align with the evolving businesses and regulatory environment.
<p>Postal Regulatory (The Postal Service is required to meet Quality of Service (QoS) standards for basic letters delivery services set by the Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA). IMDA's Postal QoS framework is one of the most stringent in the world. The Postal Service is required to comply with the Postal Services Act, Postal Licence conditions, Postal Competition Code, Postal Services Regulations, Postal Services Operations Code including any Directions and Guidelines issued by the IMDA. Non-compliance with the above may result in the imposition of financial penalties.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having proactive and regular engagements with the Postal Regulator, IMDA and other government agencies. Conducting internal communications campaigns to train, educate and reinforce best behaviour. Sending regular reminders to frontliners to comply with established protocols, guidelines, best practices, and directions, enhanced by strict disciplinary action taken for non-compliance. Continually monitoring and assessing the impact of Postal Regulatory developments as the business evolves to minimise impact to the business.

PROFILES OF KEY EXECUTIVES

MR NOEL SINGGIH

Group Chief Information Officer

Mr Noel Singgih joined SingPost Group as Group Chief Information Officer in July 2022. Prior to that, Noel was CIO for Asia Pacific with DHL Supply Chain. Noel held several leadership roles in DHL Supply Chain in his decade-long tenure, holding positions at both Regional and Global level. He started with DHL Supply Chain in 2011 as the Infrastructure and Service Management lead for the APAC region, before taking up both CIO and COO roles for the Greater China region before moving back to Singapore to take up the Global CIO role for Service Logistics, eCommerce and Warehousing businesses. Noel is a strong advocate on how technology should be leveraged in the business, to improve the efficiency and making every delivery count for the people and the planet. This includes the area of Data Analytics, AI, ML, IoT, Robotics, and many others. Noel has lived and worked in Jakarta, Sydney, London, Geneva, Shanghai, Tokyo, Hong Kong, and Singapore.

MR LI YU

Chief Executive Officer,
International

Mr Li Yu was appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO), International on 12 September 2022.

Mr Yu has over 17 years of experience spanning across Engineering, Operations, Project Management, Customer/Sales support, Strategy, and Technology implementation. He joins SingPost's management team from United Parcel Service (UPS), where he was most recently responsible for its APAC Global Logistics and Distribution. He oversaw all aspects of logistics and distribution operations, as well as led a cross-functional team managing customer engagement, technology, innovation, engineering, marketing, and strategy.

Mr Yu also has experience in transformational P&L and commercial leadership under his belt. He had led an eCommerce portfolio as part of the broader logistics line of business, and grew businesses including those in the eCommerce, healthcare, manufacturing, and retail sectors in his previous roles.

He holds a Bachelor of Applied Science, Industrial Engineering from University of Toronto in Canada. He has lived and worked in North America, Shanghai, and Singapore.

MR VINCENT YIK

Group Chief Financial Officer

Mr Vincent Yik joined SingPost in December 2021 and is the Group Chief Financial Officer, responsible for overall financial matters of the Group, including financial and management reporting, taxation, investment management, risk management, treasury as well as other corporate matters. Vincent has more than 20 years of Finance related experience and before assuming the current role, he served as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) at OUE Lippo Healthcare Limited. Vincent also previously held key executive roles such as CFO of Far East Orchard Limited (a member of Far East Organization), Chief Operating Officer, Australia Properties of Far East Organization, Sydney, as well as CFO, Australia & New Zealand Banking Group, Singapore Branch. Vincent holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Queensland, Australia. Vincent is also a member of CPA Australia as well as the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.

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MS NEO SU YIN

Chief Executive Officer,
Singapore

Ms Neo Su Yin was appointed as Chief Executive Officer, Singapore on 1 November 2021. She joined SingPost in April 2019 as Vice President, Customer Experience, lifting SingPost's service quality and customer experience for post and parcel delivery services. Since January 2021, Su Yin has undertaken the management of the domestic post and parcel business, as well as driving the transformation strategy for the Future of Post. Su Yin has more than 20 years of experience in operations and customer experience, from her time in both Changi Airport Group (CAG) and the Republic of Singapore Navy. Prior to joining SingPost, Su Yin was General Manager at CAG, managing the ground operations and customer experience within the terminals. Before CAG, Su Yin had a distinguished military career with the Republic of Singapore Navy for 17 years and held several key leadership roles, including commanding officer of a warship. Su Yin was a Singapore Armed Forces Merit Scholar and holds a Master of Science (2nd Upper Class Hons) in Occupational Psychology from the University of Nottingham, United Kingdom. She is also a graduate of the United States Naval War College in Rhode Island, USA.

MR SIMON SLAGTER

Group Chief Executive Officer,
FMH Group

Mr Simon Slagter was appointed as Group Chief Executive Officer (GCEO) of Freight Management Holdings (FMH) Group on 1 October 2017. With over 9 years of in-depth knowledge of the logistics industry, he has successfully led the organisation in achieving significant top line growth as well as bottom line profitability through the implementation of commercial programs of work through which the business has scaled. He is committed to ensure that the FMH Group is successful in achieving its aspiration of true supply chain efficiency for its customers. Prior to his GCEO role, he has been with the FMH Group for more than seven years, leading in various executive positions including the Chief Financial Officer as well as Chief Operating Officer roles. His earlier career was with Deloitte Australia and is a Chartered Accountant by profession with over 22 years of experience across a wide range of industries.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

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The directors present their statement to the members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company as set out on pages 111 to 237 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as at 31 March 2023, and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and changes in equity of the Company for the financial year ended on that date; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts when they fall due.

DIRECTORS

The directors of the Company in office at the date of this statement are as follows:

Mr Simon Claude Israel (Chairman)
Mr Phang Heng Wee, Vincent (Group Chief Executive Officer)
Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai
Mr Chen Jun
Ms Elizabeth Kong Sau Wai
Mrs Fang Ai Lian
Mr Steven Robert Leonard
Ms Lim Cheng Cheng
Ms Chu Swee Yeok

ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE BENEFITS BY MEANS OF THE ACQUISITION OF SHARES AND DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose object was to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate, other than as disclosed under "Share Options" and "Restricted Share Plan" on pages 99 to 103 of this statement.

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DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES

- (a) According to the register of directors' shareholdings kept by the Company under Section 164 of the Singapore Companies Act 1967, none of the directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares and debentures of the Company and its related corporations.
- (b) According to the register of directors' shareholdings kept by the Company under Section 164 of the Singapore Companies Act 1967, certain directors holding office at the end of the financial year had interests in the options to subscribe for ordinary shares of the Company granted pursuant to the Singapore Post Share Option Scheme and unvested restricted shares of the Company granted pursuant to Singapore Post Restricted Share Plan 2013 as set out below and under "Share Options" and "Restricted Share Plan" on pages 99 to 103 of this statement.

	Number of unvested restricted shares held by director	
	At 31.3.2023	At 1.4.2022
<u>Unvested performance share awards</u>		
Phang Heng Wee, Vincent	1,734,359	669,264
<u>Unvested restricted shares awards</u>		
Phang Heng Wee, Vincent	866,102	371,763

- (c) The directors' interests in the shares of the Company as at 21 April 2023 were the same as those as at 31 March 2023.

SHARE OPTIONS

The Singapore Post Share Option Scheme was adopted on 21 March 2003, and a new scheme, known as Singapore Post Share Option Scheme 2012 was adopted on 29 June 2012; collectively known as the "Scheme". The Scheme is administered by the Compensation Committee comprising Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai (Chairman), Mr Simon Claude Israel and Mrs Fang Ai Lian during the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

Employees (including executive directors), subject to certain conditions, are eligible to participate in the Scheme. The Scheme provides a means to recruit, retain and give recognition to employees who have contributed to the success and development of the Company and / or the Group.

The principal terms of the Scheme are as follows:

- The exercise price of the granted options is equal to the average of the last dealt prices for the share on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") for the five (5) consecutive trading days immediately preceding the date of grant of that option.
- The value of the share option is determined using the Trinomial option pricing model (taking into account relevant assumptions).

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SHARE OPTIONS (continued)

- Granted options shall be exercisable, in whole or in part, during the exercise period applicable to that option and in accordance with the vesting schedule applicable to that option or other conditions (if any) that may be imposed by the Compensation Committee in relation to that option. Options may be exercised, in whole or in part in respect of 1,000 shares or any multiple thereof, by a participant giving notice in writing, accompanied by a remittance for the aggregate subscription cost in respect of the shares for which that option is exercised. The method of settlement could be in cheque, cashier's order, banker's draft or postal order made out in favour of the Company or such other mode of payment as may be acceptable to the Company. There are no restrictions on the eligibility of the persons to whom the options have been granted to participate in any other share option or share incentive scheme, whether or not implemented by any of the other companies within the Group or any other company. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash.
- The vesting schedule for the share options granted to eligible employees (including executive directors) effective from 20 May 2014 are as follows:

<u>Vesting period</u>	<u>Proportion of Total Share Options that are exercisable</u>
Before / On first anniversary of date of grant	0 per cent
After first anniversary and before second anniversary of date of grant	Up to 30.0 per cent of grant
On / After second anniversary and before third anniversary of date of grant	Up to another 30.0 per cent of grant OR Up to 60.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first vesting year
On / After third anniversary till tenth anniversary of date of grant	Balance OR 100.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first and second vesting years

- The share options granted to eligible employees (including executive directors) effective 26 June 2006 to 10 March 2014 have a four-year vesting schedule and the details are as follows:

<u>Vesting period</u>	<u>Proportion of Total Share Options that are exercisable</u>
Before / On first anniversary of date of grant	0 per cent
After first anniversary and before second anniversary of date of grant	Up to 25.0 per cent of grant
On / After second anniversary and before third anniversary of date of grant	Up to another 25.0 per cent of grant OR Up to 50.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first vesting year
On / After third anniversary and before fourth anniversary of date of grant	Up to another 25.0 per cent of grant OR Up to 75.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first and second vesting years
On / After fourth anniversary till tenth anniversary of date of grant	Balance OR 100.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first, second and third vesting years

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SHARE OPTIONS (continued)

- On 11 May 2012, 17 January 2014, 7 March 2014 and 1 April 2014, performance share options were granted to key management staff. Vesting of these options is based on the Company's performance against a set of stretched targets on the Group's profit and the Company's target share price performance.
- The total number of shares over which options may be granted under the Scheme on any date, when added to the nominal amount of shares issued and issuable and in respect of all options granted under the Scheme, shall not exceed 5.0 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company on the day preceding that date.

Since the adoption of the Scheme to 31 March 2022, a total of 178,687,936 share options have been granted. Detail of the options are set out in the Directors' Statement for the respective financial years.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, no share options were granted. At the end of the financial year, details of the options granted and the number of unissued ordinary shares of the Company under options outstanding are as follows:

Date of Grant	Exercise Period	Exercise Price	Number of ordinary shares under options outstanding				
			Balance At 1.4.22 ('000)	Granted during financial year ('000)	Options exercised ('000)	Options forfeited ('000)	Balance At 31.3.23 ('000)
Options Granted Under Singapore Post Share Options Scheme							
For employees (including executive directors)							
11.05.12	19.05.14 to 11.05.22	S\$1.030	482	–	–	482	–
10.08.12	11.08.13 to 10.08.22	S\$1.070	689	–	–	689	–
17.01.14	18.01.17 to 17.01.24	S\$1.350	1,223	–	–	848	375
07.03.14	08.03.17 to 07.03.24	S\$1.330	375	–	–	–	375
20.05.14	21.05.15 to 20.05.24	S\$1.450	609	–	–	301	308
07.08.14	08.08.15 to 07.08.24	S\$1.760	62	–	–	30	32
19.05.15	20.05.16 to 19.05.25	S\$1.890	1,875	–	–	678	1,197
20.05.16	21.05.17 to 20.05.26	S\$1.570	1,492	–	–	526	966
Total Share Options			6,807	–	–	3,554	3,253

No option has been granted to controlling shareholders of the Company or their associates.

No key management personnel or employee has received options of 5% or more of the total number of shares available under the Scheme during the financial year. No other director or employee of the Company and its subsidiaries (as defined in the SGX-ST Listing Manual) has received options of 5% or more of the total number of shares available to all directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries under the Scheme during the financial year.

No option was granted at a discount during the financial year.

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RESTRICTED SHARE PLAN

The Singapore Post Restricted Share Plan 2013 (the "Plan") was implemented with the approval of shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 28 June 2013. The duration of the Plan is 10 years commencing from 28 June 2013. Amendments to the Plan to prescribe performance conditions were duly approved by the shareholders at the Company's annual general meeting ("AGM") held on 20 July 2017.

At the Company's AGM held on 21 July 2022, the shareholders approved the following:

- (i) extension of the Plan for another 10 years up to 27 June 2033; and
- (ii) alteration to the rules of the Plan to take into account amendments to the Listing Manual, as well as to streamline and rationalise certain provisions.

Enhancements to the Plan (the "Enhanced Plan") were subsequently designed to reinforce the delivery of long-term growth and shareholder value to drive an ownership culture and retain staff whose contributions are essential to the well-being of the Group. The Enhanced Plan allow fully paid shares to be granted to non-executive directors of the Group and associated companies.

The release schedule for the shares granted to eligible employees (excluding non-executive directors) prior to financial year 2017/18 is as follows:

Vesting Period	Vesting Date	Percentage of Shares that will be Released on Vesting Date
From award date to date before first anniversary of award date	First anniversary of award date	30% (rounded to nearest whole share)
From first anniversary of award date to date before second anniversary of award date	On second anniversary of date of award	30% (rounded to nearest whole share)
From second anniversary of award date to date before third anniversary of award date	On third anniversary of date of award	Balance 40%

- 100% of the restricted shares granted to non-executive directors vest after one year from the date of grant.

Since the adoption of the Plan to 31 March 2022, a total of 5,839,118 restricted shares were granted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, no restricted shares were granted under the Plan. There are no outstanding unvested restricted shares as at the start of the financial year.

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ENHANCED PLAN

Following shareholders' approval to the Enhanced Plan at the Company's annual general meeting held on 20 July 2017, participants will receive fully paid SingPost shares provided that prescribed performance targets are met within a prescribed performance period. Shares granted from financial year 2017/18 onwards comprises of two types of awards:

- (a) Performance Share Award; and
- (b) Restricted Share Award.

The Performance Share Award, granted to senior management, has two long-term performance measures: Return on Equity and Absolute Total Shareholder Returns. For Performance Share Award from financial year 2020/21 onwards, an additional performance measure, CO2 Reduction from financial year 2018/19, is added. The Restricted Share Award, granted to a broader group of executives and key talents, has one long-term performance measure: Underlying Net Profit. The performance period for both types of awards is three or four years depending on when the performance conditions are met.

The performance conditions incorporate stretched targets aimed at delivering long-term shareholder value. Depending on achievement of the respective performance hurdles, 0% to 200% of the awards may vest.

Performance Share Awards

Since the adoption of the Enhanced Plan to 31 March 2022, a total of 6,020,288 shares have been granted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, 1,244,281 shares were granted. Details of the grants are as follows:

Date of Grant	Balance As At 1.4.22 (^{'000})	Share Awards Granted (^{'000})	Share Awards Vested (^{'000})	Share Awards Cancelled (^{'000})	Balance As At 31.3.23 (^{'000})
31.05.19	591	–	–	–	591
01.06.20	455	–	–	–	455
20.01.22	269	–	–	–	269
03.06.22	–	1,244	–	–	1,244
Total	1,315	1,244	–	–	2,559

Restricted Share Awards

Since the adoption of the Enhanced Plan to 31 March 2022, a total of 11,044,023 restricted shares have been granted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, 3,897,113 shares were granted. Details of the grants are as follows:

Date of Grant	Balance As At 1.4.22 (^{'000})	Share Awards Granted (^{'000})	Share Awards Vested (^{'000})	Share Awards Cancelled (^{'000})	Balance As At 31.3.23 (^{'000})
31.05.19	1,143	–	–	262	881
01.06.20	1,944	–	–	590	1,354
20.01.22	1,140	–	–	372	768
03.06.22	–	3,897	–	1,330	2,567
Total	4,227	3,897	–	2,554	5,570

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FREIGHT MANAGEMENT HOLDINGS PTY LIMITED ("FMH") LONG TERM INCENTIVE PLAN

The FMH Group Long Term Incentive Plan (the "FMH LTIP") was implemented by FMH, a subsidiary of the Group, on 10 November 2022 with the approval of shareholders on the same day.

The FMH LTIP provides an incentive to retain employees and recognise their effort and contribution in the long-term performance and success of FMH and its subsidiaries, as well as provides opportunity for the employees to acquire rights to receive fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of FMH in accordance with the rules of FMH LTIP.

The FMH LTIP has two performance measures: Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation ("EBITDA") and Return on Equity. The performance period is to 30 June 2024.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, 529 share rights were granted. Details of the grants are as follows:

Date of Grant	Balance As At 1.4.22	Rights Awards Granted	Rights Awards Vested	Rights Awards Cancelled	Balance As At 31.3.23
10.11.22	–	529	–	–	529
Total	–	529	–	–	529

AUDIT COMMITTEE

At the date of this statement, the members of the Audit Committee are as follows:

Mrs Fang Ai Lian (Chairman)
Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai
Ms Chu Swee Yeok

All members of the Audit Committee were non-executive and independent directors.

The Audit Committee carried out its functions in accordance with Section 201B(5) of the Singapore Companies Act 1967.

The Audit Committee has reviewed the overall scope, plans and results of both internal and independent audits and the assistance given by the Company's officers to the auditors. It has met with the Company's internal and independent auditors to discuss the results of their respective examinations and evaluations of the Company's system of internal accounting controls.

The Audit Committee has also reviewed the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 as well as the independent auditor's report thereon prior to their submission to the Board of Directors for approval.

Pursuant to the requirements of the SGX-ST, the Audit Committee, with the assistance of the internal auditors, has reviewed the guidelines and procedures that were set up to identify, report and where necessary, seek appropriate approval for interested person transactions of the Group. Interested person transactions of the Group during the financial year have also been reviewed by the Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee has recommended to the Board of Directors that the independent auditor, Deloitte & Touche LLP, be nominated for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

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AUDITOR

The auditor, Deloitte & Touche LLP, has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment.

On behalf of the directors



Mr Simon Claude Israel
Chairman



Mr Phang Heng Wee, Vincent
Director

Singapore

5 June 2023

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Singapore Post Limited

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Singapore Post Limited (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (the "Group"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position of the Group and the statement of financial position of the Company as at 31 March 2023, and the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows of the Group and the statement of changes in equity of the Company for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, as set out on pages 111 to 237.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position and statement of changes in equity of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 1967 (the "Act"), Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) ("SFRS(I)s") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") so as to give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group and the financial position of the Company as at 31 March 2023, and of the consolidated financial performance, consolidated changes in equity and consolidated cash flows of the Group and of the changes in equity of the Company for the year ended on that date.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA") *Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities* ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Singapore Post Limited

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key Audit Matter

Assessment of impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets

Refer to Notes 3(a) and 26 to the financial statements.

As at 31 March 2023, the goodwill and other intangible assets amounted to S\$415.7 million and S\$85.3 million respectively. Management has determined the recoverable amounts of respective cash-generating units ("CGUs") based on value-in-use calculations.

Management's assessment of the recoverable amounts of the CGUs involves significant judgement about the future cash flow projections of the business and the appropriate terminal growth rates and discount rates applied to these future cash flow projections. In arriving at the recoverable amounts, management has considered strategies and plans that have been approved by the Board and are in the process of being implemented.

Management has considered the performance of the different CGUs during the current financial year and the economic environment which these CGUs operate in to develop the future cash flow projections. Overall, management has assessed that there is no impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets as the recoverable amount is higher than the carrying value as at 31 March 2023.

Our audit performed and responses thereon

Our audit procedures focused on evaluating the key assumptions used by management in performing the impairment review. These procedures included:

- evaluating the appropriateness of allocation of goodwill and other intangible assets to the different CGUs;
- challenging management's future cash flow projections through comparison with recent performance, historical trend analyses, expectations of future development of the business and market conditions and publicly available industry and economic data;
- involving our specialists to evaluate the appropriateness of management's assumptions, which include terminal growth rates and discount rates, by developing an independent expectation using economic and industry forecasts and rates of comparable companies with consideration for specific jurisdiction factors;
- comparing current year's actual results against prior year's forecasts to assess whether assumptions made in prior year on hindsight had been reasonable; and
- performing sensitivity analysis over the recoverable amounts of the Group's CGUs, based on reasonably possible changes in the key assumptions as set out above.

Based on the procedures performed, we noted management's key estimates and assumptions used in the impairment assessment of goodwill and other intangible assets to be within a reasonable range of our expectations.

We have evaluated the adequacy of the Group's disclosures made in relation to goodwill and other intangible assets and found them to be adequate.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Singapore Post Limited

Key Audit Matter

Acquisition of additional interest in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd

Refer to Notes 3(b), 9 and 27 to the financial statements.

As at 1 April 2022, the Group held 51% shareholding in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd ("FMH"). On 31 March 2023, the Group completed its acquisition of an additional 37% equity in FMH. The aggregate consideration for this acquisition approximate S\$174.8 million, subject to adjustments as agreed in the share sale and purchase agreement. Such consideration includes a contingent consideration which is dependent, amongst others, the Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation ("EBITDA") of FMH for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 and involves management estimate and judgement.

During the financial year, the Group further revised the terms of its contractual arrangement with FMH non-controlling shareholders in respect of the put options previously granted to the non-controlling shareholders and included terms for a new grant of call options to the Group.

Significant management judgment is also required in estimating the fair value of the remaining 12% gross liability of put options due to non-controlling shareholders at 31 March 2023, and the underlying assumptions to be applied in determining this gross liability based on the previous and new terms.

Management has engaged an external valuation specialist to determine the fair value of the gross liability of put options (of the remaining 12% interests) at 31 March 2023.

Our audit performed and responses thereon

We obtained and reviewed the relevant share sale and purchase agreement and identified critical terms with accounting impact.

We verified the payments made during the year relating to the acquisition of the 37% shareholding.

In respect of the external valuation specialist engaged by the Group, we evaluated their competency and experience to assist management in performing the required valuations for FMH. We further read the engagement terms to determine whether there were any matters that might have affected their independence and objectivity or imposed a limitation on the scope of their work.

We engaged our valuation specialists in assessing the methodology, reasonableness of the valuation model and the appropriateness of the key assumptions applied in valuing the fair value of the gross liability (of the remaining 12% interests).

We checked the resultant impact of the above to the consolidated income statement for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Based on the procedures performed, we found management's basis of estimating (i) contingent consideration relating to the acquisition of additional 37% shareholding and (ii) measurement of the gross liability to be within a reasonable range of our expectations.

We also assessed the appropriateness of the disclosures in the financial statements in respect of this matter.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Singapore Post Limited

Key Audit Matter

Valuation of investment properties

Refer to Notes 3(c) and 23 to the financial statements.

As at 31 March 2023, the Group's investment properties amounted to S\$965.8 million, representing 34.0% of the Group's total assets. These investment properties are stated at their fair values based on independent external valuations. The net fair value gain on investment properties recognised during the year amounted to S\$18.6 million.

The valuation of these investment properties (primarily Singapore Post Centre) located in Singapore is inherently subjective as it involves judgement in determining the appropriate valuation methodologies to be used, the underlying assumptions to be applied and consideration of terms and conditions and restrictions in the property agreements.

The assumptions on which the property values are based, are influenced by the tenure and tenancy details for each property, prevailing market yields, comparable market transactions and market conditions during the year as well as expected transacted price of the property (if available).

Our audit performed and responses thereon

We obtained an understanding of the Group's process for selection of the external valuer. We evaluated the qualifications and competence of the external valuer and read the engagement terms to determine whether there were any matters that might have affected their independence and objectivity or imposed a limitation on the scope of their work.

We held discussions with the valuer to understand the basis of valuation techniques and assumptions applied on the properties' valuations.

With the involvement of our internal valuation specialists, we evaluated the appropriateness of the valuation techniques used by the external valuer for the key investment properties. We benchmarked and challenged the key assumptions used in their valuation by reference to externally published industry data, where available, and we also considered whether these assumptions are consistent with the current market environment.

Based on the procedures performed, the valuation methodologies used are in line with generally accepted market practices and the estimates and assumptions used are within a reasonable range of our expectations.

We also considered the adequacy of the disclosures in the financial statements regarding the key assumptions used in the valuation and the relationships between the key unobservable inputs and fair values and found them to be adequate.

Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Thereon

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Singapore Post Limited

Responsibilities of Management and Directors for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Act, SFRS(I)s and IFRSs, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Singapore Post Limited

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current year and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company and by those subsidiary corporations incorporated in Singapore of which we are the auditors have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Mr. Yang Chi Chih.



Public Accountants and
Chartered Accountants

Singapore

5 June 2023

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

	Note	2023 S\$'000	Group 2022 S\$'000
Revenue	4	1,872,259	1,665,579
Labour and related expenses	5	(350,743)	(309,916)
Volume-related expenses	6	(1,214,042)	(1,051,023)
Administrative and other expenses	7	(126,227)	(115,267)
Depreciation and amortisation	8	(82,570)	(74,424)
Selling-related expenses		(9,731)	(7,363)
Reversal of impairment loss / (Impairment loss) on trade and other receivables		131	(2,211)
Operating expenses		(1,783,182)	(1,560,204)
Other income		4,089	6,699
Operating profit		93,166	112,074
Share of profit of associated companies and joint ventures	21	23	4,847
Exceptional items	9	(7,705)	1,858
Earnings before interest and tax		85,484	118,779
Interest income and investment income (net)	10	2,148	3,366
Finance expenses	11	(19,623)	(14,779)
Profit before income tax		68,009	107,366
Income tax expense	12	(29,249)	(19,623)
Profit after tax		38,760	87,743
Profit attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		24,679	83,112
Non-controlling interests		14,081	4,631
		38,760	87,743
Basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company			
– Excluding distribution to perpetual securities holders	13	0.62 cents	3.09 cents
– Including distribution to perpetual securities holders	13	1.10 cents	3.69 cents

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Profit after tax	38,760	87,743
Other comprehensive (loss) / income (net of tax):		
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Currency translation differences:		
– Loss on translation of foreign operations	(12,350)	(2,131)
– Disposal / liquidation of foreign subsidiaries	(34)	(246)
– Transfer to profit or loss arising from change in ownership interest from an associated company to a subsidiary	–	(63)
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income		
– Fair value loss	(48,532)	(10,992)
– Gain on fair value hedge of an equity instrument designated at FVTOCI	56,879	–
Revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment upon transfer to investment properties	298	6,412
Other comprehensive loss for the year (net of tax)	(3,739)	(7,020)
Total comprehensive income for the year	35,021	80,723
Total comprehensive income attributable to:		
Equity holders of the Company	19,996	76,845
Non-controlling interests	15,025	3,878
	35,021	80,723

STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 March 2023

	Note	Group		Company	
		2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
ASSETS					
Current assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	14	495,696	280,438	375,071	200,598
Financial assets	15	–	8,006	–	8,006
Trade and other receivables	16	229,831	234,060	117,132	101,776
Derivative financial instruments	17	372	391	372	391
Inventories		513	523	5	16
Other current assets	18	25,394	35,335	7,851	8,909
		751,806	558,753	500,431	319,696
Assets classified as held for sale	19	11,700	5,499	11,700	–
		763,506	564,252	512,131	319,696
Non-current assets					
Financial assets	15	42,076	90,631	–	–
Derivative financial instruments	17	56,879	–	–	–
Trade and other receivables	20	4,945	4,945	218,238	212,920
Investments in associated companies and joint ventures	21	31,949	34,072	21,891	21,891
Investments in subsidiaries	22	–	–	361,313	361,313
Investment properties	23	965,771	956,610	953,033	945,274
Property, plant and equipment	24	386,928	412,454	229,741	245,818
Right-of-use assets	25	71,565	71,266	38,259	19,647
Intangible assets	26	500,958	529,441	–	–
Deferred income tax assets	30	7,361	8,657	–	–
Other non-current assets	18	5,832	7,076	–	–
		2,074,264	2,115,152	1,822,475	1,806,863
Total assets		2,837,770	2,679,404	2,334,606	2,126,559
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	27	632,539	667,500	416,086	392,352
Current income tax liabilities		22,359	24,542	9,149	13,161
Contract liabilities	29	30,037	29,397	26,541	23,597
Lease liabilities	28	32,152	29,833	12,257	8,288
Derivative financial instruments	17	1,413	552	1,132	552
Borrowings	28	1,370	77,527	–	50,000
		719,870	829,351	465,165	487,950
Liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale	19	–	2,082	–	–
		719,870	831,433	465,165	487,950
Non-current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	27	21,616	148,567	604,565	354,948
Borrowings	28	623,020	439,481	–	–
Contract liabilities	29	7,177	15,394	7,177	15,394
Lease liabilities	28	47,575	53,612	26,859	12,115
Deferred income tax liabilities	30	44,214	48,816	22,521	22,478
		743,602	705,870	661,122	404,935
Total liabilities		1,463,472	1,537,303	1,126,287	892,885
NET ASSETS		1,374,298	1,142,101	1,208,319	1,233,674
EQUITY					
Capital and reserves attributable to the Company's equity holders					
Share capital	31	638,762	638,762	638,762	638,762
Treasury shares	31	(29,516)	(29,724)	(29,516)	(29,724)
Other reserves	32	(77,620)	81,841	35,390	37,308
Retained earnings		598,558	616,527	563,683	587,328
Ordinary equity		1,130,184	1,307,406	1,208,319	1,233,674
Perpetual securities	33	251,504	–	–	–
		1,381,688	1,307,406	1,208,319	1,233,674
Non-controlling interests	22	(7,390)	(165,305)	–	–
Total equity		1,374,298	1,142,101	1,208,319	1,233,674

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

Note	Attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company					Perpetual securities S\$'000	Total S\$'000	Non-controlling interests S\$'000	Total equity S\$'000	
	Share capital S\$'000	Treasury shares S\$'000	Retained earnings S\$'000	Other reserves S\$'000	Total S\$'000					
<u>Group</u>										
Balance at 1 April 2022	638,762	(29,724)	616,527	81,841	1,307,406	–	1,307,406	(165,305)	1,142,101	
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	24,679	(4,683)	19,996	–	19,996	15,025	35,021	
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity										
Acquisition of non-controlling interest	(a)	–	–	(152,860) ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾	(152,860)	–	(152,860)	152,873	13	
Issuance of perpetual securities	33	–	–	–	–	248,972	248,972	–	248,972	
Distribution of perpetual securities	33	–	(10,726)	–	(10,726)	10,726	–	–	–	
Distribution paid on perpetual securities	33	–	–	–	–	(8,194)	(8,194)	–	(8,194)	
Dividends paid to shareholders	34	–	–	(33,296)	–	–	(33,296)	–	(33,296)	
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in a subsidiary		–	–	–	–	–	–	(9,983)	(9,983)	
Issuance of shares to employee	32(b)(iv)	–	208	–	(104)	104	–	104	104	
Employee share option scheme:										
– Value of employee services	32(b)(i)	–	–	1,374	(1,814)	(440)	–	(440)	–	
Total		–	208	(42,648)	(154,778)	(197,218)	251,504	54,286	142,890	
Balance at 31 March 2023		638,762	(29,516)	598,558	(77,620)	1,130,184	251,504	1,381,688	(7,390)	1,374,298

Notes

(a) The acquisition of non-controlling interest in a subsidiary comprises:

- (i) A net amount of S\$13,000 measured by reference to the proportionate share of the reserves and net assets and liabilities on acquisition date.
- (ii) Gross liabilities were recognised for an obligation which arose from a put option written with the non-controlling shareholder of FMH. In March 2023, the put option was exercised for the acquisition of an additional 37% equity interest in FMH and the related gross liabilities were transferred to other reserves.

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

Note	Attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company					Perpetual securities S\$'000	Total S\$'000	Non-controlling interests S\$'000	Total equity S\$'000
	Share capital S\$'000	Treasury shares S\$'000	Retained earnings S\$'000	Other reserves S\$'000	Total S\$'000				
<u>Group</u>									
Balance at 1 April 2021	638,762	(29,724)	564,708	103,005	1,276,751	346,826	1,623,577	47,846	1,671,423
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	83,112	(6,267)	76,845	–	76,845	3,878	80,723
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity									
Acquisition of subsidiaries (a)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(214,720)	(214,720)
Transfer of revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment and other capital reserve on loss of control of a subsidiary 9	–	–	6,017	(6,017)	–	–	–	–	–
Adjustment to other reserves	–	–	–	1,139	1,139	–	1,139	–	1,139
Redemption of perpetual securities 33	–	–	(4,397)	–	(4,397)	(345,603)	(350,000)	–	(350,000)
Distribution of perpetual securities 33	–	–	(13,652)	–	(13,652)	13,652	–	–	–
Distribution paid on perpetual securities	–	–	–	–	–	(14,875)	(14,875)	–	(14,875)
Dividends paid to shareholders 34	–	–	(24,745)	–	(24,745)	–	(24,745)	–	(24,745)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in a subsidiary	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(2,309)	(2,309)
Employee share option scheme: – Value of employee services 32(b)(i)	–	–	5,484	(10,019)	(4,535)	–	(4,535)	–	(4,535)
Total	–	–	(31,293)	(14,897)	(46,190)	(346,826)	(393,016)	(217,029)	(610,045)
Balance at 31 March 2022	638,762	(29,724)	616,527	81,841	1,307,406	–	1,307,406	(165,305)	1,142,101

Notes

(a) The non-controlling interest on acquisition of subsidiaries comprises:

- (i) An amount of S\$26,665,000 (Note 40(b)(vi)) measured by reference to the share of fair value of the net identifiable assets and liabilities on acquisition date; less
- (ii) An amount of S\$241,385,000 relating to a reserve for an obligation arising from a put option written with the non-controlling shareholders of FMH. When exercised under certain conditions, this will require the Group to purchase the remaining 49% ownership interest in FMH.

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

Note	Attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company					Perpetual securities S\$'000	Total S\$'000
	Share capital S\$'000	Treasury shares S\$'000	Retained earnings S\$'000	Other reserves S\$'000	Total S\$'000		
<i>Company</i>							
Balance at 1 April 2022	638,762	(29,724)	587,328	37,308	1,233,674	–	1,233,674
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	8,277	–	8,277	–	8,277
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity							
Dividends paid to shareholders	34	–	(33,296)	–	(33,296)	–	(33,296)
Issuance of shares to employee	32(b)(iv)	–	208	(104)	104	–	104
Employee share- option scheme: – Value of employee services	32(b)(i)	–	1,374	(1,814)	(440)	–	(440)
Total	–	208	(31,922)	(1,918)	(33,632)	–	(33,632)
Balance at 31 March 2023	638,762	(29,516)	563,683	35,390	1,208,319	–	1,208,319
Balance at 1 April 2021	638,762	(29,724)	584,072	46,836	1,239,946	346,826	1,586,772
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	–	40,566	491	41,057	–	41,057
Transactions with owners, recognised directly in equity							
Redemption of perpetual securities	33	–	(4,397)	–	(4,397)	(345,603)	(350,000)
Distribution on perpetual securities	33	–	(13,652)	–	(13,652)	13,652	–
Distribution paid on perpetual securities	–	–	–	–	–	(14,875)	(14,875)
Dividends paid to shareholders	34	–	(24,745)	–	(24,745)	–	(24,745)
Employee share option scheme: – Value of employee services	32(b)(i)	–	5,484	(10,019)	(4,535)	–	(4,535)
Total	–	–	(37,310)	(10,019)	(47,329)	(346,826)	(394,155)
Balance at 31 March 2022	638,762	(29,724)	587,328	37,308	1,233,674	–	1,233,674

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit after tax	38,760	87,743
Adjustments for:		
Income tax expense	29,249	19,623
(Reversal of) / Impairment loss on trade and other receivables	(131)	2,211
Amortisation of contract liabilities	(7,925)	(7,754)
Amortisation of intangible assets	7,641	3,148
Depreciation	74,929	71,276
Fair value loss on put option redemption liability	21,719	1,945
Gain on change of ownership interest from an associated company to a subsidiary	–	(32,427)
Fair value gain on investment properties	(18,565)	(1,279)
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	227	574
Gain on disposal of an associated company	(99)	–
Reversal of provision for restructuring of overseas operations	–	(101)
Net (gain) / loss on disposal / liquidation of subsidiaries	(448)	6,317
Reversal of share-based staff costs	(440)	(4,535)
Finance expenses	19,623	14,779
Fair value gain on contingent consideration	(1,284)	–
Interest income	(7,500)	(1,760)
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	1,441	4,374
Impairment of associated companies	–	2,700
(Reversal of) / Impairment of loans to associated companies	(525)	1,644
Impairment of disposal group classified as held for sale	–	5,469
Share of profit of associated companies and joint ventures	(23)	(4,847)
	117,889	81,357
Operating cash flow before working capital changes	156,649	169,100
Changes in working capital, net of effects from		
Inventories	10	21
Trade and other receivables	20,832	(21,016)
Trade and other payables	(29,397)	(34,839)
Contract liabilities	348	297
Cash generated from operations	148,442	113,563
Income tax paid	(32,786)	(24,037)
Net cash provided by operating activities	115,656	89,526

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash flows from investing activities		
Contingent consideration paid in relation to acquisition of subsidiary	(10,697)	–
Acquisition of subsidiaries, net of cash acquired (Note 40)	(7,982)	(111,484)
Disposal / liquidation of subsidiaries, net of cash disposed	418	71,814
Additions to property, plant and equipment, investment properties and intangible assets	(28,429)	(24,258)
Dividends received from associated companies	–	1,788
Interest received	6,614	1,881
Investment in a joint venture company	(10)	–
Proceeds from disposal of an associated company	1,380	–
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	721	448
Proceeds on sale / maturity of financial assets	8,000	6,500
Repayment of loans by an associated company	2,803	8
Net cash used in investing activities	(27,182)	(53,303)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Acquisition of additional interest in existing subsidiary	(156,119)	–
Distribution paid to perpetual securities	(8,194)	(14,875)
Dividends paid to shareholders	(33,296)	(24,745)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests in a subsidiary	(9,983)	(2,309)
Finance expenses paid	(21,899)	(13,544)
Repayment of principal portion of lease liabilities	(21,501)	(31,841)
Proceeds from issuance of perpetual securities	248,972	–
Redemption of perpetual securities	–	(350,000)
Proceeds from bank loans and notes	185,952	288,286
Repayment of bank loans and notes	(57,148)	(106,739)
Net cash provided by / (used in) financing activities	126,784	(255,767)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	215,258	(219,544)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year	280,438	501,212
Changes in cash and cash equivalents transferred to assets held for sale (Note 19)	–	(1,230)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	495,696	280,438

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023

These notes form an integral part of and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Singapore Post Limited (the "Company") is listed on the Singapore Exchange and incorporated and domiciled in Singapore. The address of its registered office and principal place of business is 10 Eunos Road 8, Singapore Post Centre, Singapore 408600.

The principal activities of the Company consist of the operation and provision of postal and parcel delivery services, eCommerce logistics and property. Its subsidiaries are principally engaged in provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions, provision of integrated supply chain and distributions services, freight forwarding and investment holding.

These financial statements were authorised for issue on 5 June 2023 in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of Singapore Post Limited.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost basis, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below, and are drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act 1967, Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (International) ("SFRS(I)s") and International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs"). SFRS(I)s are issued by the Accounting Standards Council and comprise standards and interpretations that are equivalent to IFRSs issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. All references to SFRS(I)s and IFRSs are subsequently referred to as SFRS(I)s in these financial statements unless otherwise stated.

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with SFRS(I)s requires management to exercise judgement in applying the Group's accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed in Note 3.

2.2 Adoption of new and revised standards

On 1 April 2022, the Group and the Company adopted all the new and revised SFRS(I) pronouncements that are relevant to its operations. Pronouncements issued, but not yet effective, as at 31 March 2023 have not been early adopted in the financial statements. The adoption of these new and revised SFRS(I) pronouncements does not result in changes to the Group's and the Company's accounting policies and has no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior years.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting

(a) *Subsidiaries*

(i) *Consolidation*

Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group has power over the entity, is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power of the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group until the date that control ceases.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, transactions, balances and unrealised gains on transactions between group entities are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated but are considered an impairment indicator of the asset transferred. Accounting policies of subsidiaries have been changed where necessary to ensure consistency with the policies adopted by the Group.

Non-controlling interests comprise the portion of a subsidiary's net results of operations and of net assets of a subsidiary attributable to the interests that are not owned directly or indirectly by the equity holders of the Company. They are shown separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of financial position. Total comprehensive income is attributed to the non-controlling interests based on their respective interests in a subsidiary, even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

(ii) *Acquisitions*

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for business combinations by the Group.

The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary or business comprises the fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred also includes the fair value of any contingent consideration arrangement and the fair value of any pre-existing equity interest in the subsidiary at the acquisition date.

If the contingent consideration is classified as equity, it is not re-measured and settlement is accounted for within equity. Otherwise, subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration are recognised in the income statement.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date; any gains or losses arising from such re-measurement are recognised in profit or loss.

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are, with limited exceptions, measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period, or additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed as of the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised as of that date.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting (continued)

(a) *Subsidiaries* (continued)

(ii) *Acquisitions* (continued)

On an acquisition-by-acquisition basis, the Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree at the date of acquisition either at fair value or at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's net identifiable assets.

The excess of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired is recorded as goodwill.

Please refer to the paragraph Note 2.19(a) for the subsequent accounting policy on goodwill.

(iii) *Disposals of subsidiaries or businesses*

When a change in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary results in a loss of control over the subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary including any goodwill are derecognised. Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in respect of that entity are also reclassified to profit or loss or transferred directly to retained earnings if required by a specific SFRS(I).

Any retained equity interest in the entity is remeasured at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the retained interest at the date when control is lost and its fair value is recognised in profit or loss.

Please refer to Note 2.16 for the accounting policy on investments in subsidiaries in the separate financial statements of the Company.

(b) *Transactions with non-controlling interests*

Changes in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control over the subsidiary are accounted for as equity transactions.

(c) *Put option with non-controlling interests*

When the Group enters into a put option agreement with the non-controlling shareholder in an existing subsidiary on their equity interests in that subsidiary and provides for settlement in cash or in another financial asset by the Group, the Group recognises a financial liability for the present value of the exercise price of the option. Subsequent to initial recognition of the financial liability, changes in the carrying amount of the financial liability is recognised in profit or loss. Amount initially recognised under equity is not subsequently re-measured.

On exercise of the put option, the financial liability will be derecognised on settlement in cash or in another financial asset by the Group. Changes in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary is accounted for according to transaction with non-controlling interests (Note 2.3 (b)).

If the put option expires unexercised, the financial liability is reversed against equity – Non-controlling interests.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.3 Group accounting (continued)

(d) *Associated companies and joint ventures*

Associated companies are entities over which the Group has significant influence, but not control. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies. The Group's joint ventures are entities over which the Group has contractual arrangements to jointly share the control over the economic activity of the entities with one or more parties.

Investments in associated companies and joint ventures are accounted for in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting less impairment losses.

Investments in associated companies and joint ventures are initially recognised at cost. The cost of an acquisition is measured at the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued or liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus cost directly attributable to the acquisition. Goodwill on associated companies and joint ventures represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the fair value of the identifiable net assets of the associated companies and joint ventures and is included in the carrying amount of the investments.

In applying the equity method of accounting, the Group's share of its associated companies' and joint venture's post-acquisition profits or losses is recognised in profit or loss and its share of post-acquisition other comprehensive income is recognised in other comprehensive income. These post-acquisition movements and distributions received from associated companies and joint ventures are adjusted against the carrying amount of the investments. When the Group's share of losses in an associated companies or joint ventures equals or exceeds its interest in the associated companies or joint ventures, including any other unsecured non-current receivables, the Group does not recognise further losses, unless it has obligations to make or has made payments on behalf of the associated companies or joint ventures.

Unrealised gains on transactions between the Group and its associated companies and joint ventures are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the associated companies and joint ventures. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of impairment of the asset transferred. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of associated companies and joint ventures to ensure consistency of accounting policies adopted by the Group.

Investments in associated companies and joint ventures are derecognised when the Group loses significant influence and joint control respectively. Any retained equity interest in the entity is remeasured at its fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the retained interest at the date when significant influence or joint control is lost and its fair value is recognised in profit or loss.

Gains and losses arising from partial disposals or dilutions in investments in associated companies and joint ventures are recognised in profit or loss.

Please refer to Note 2.16 for the accounting policy on investments in associated companies and joint ventures in the separate financial statements of the Company.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 Leases

As a lessee, the Group leases various retail outlets, warehousing space and machinery from non-related parties.

As a lessor, the Group leases commercial and retail, and warehousing space to non-related parties.

(a) *When the Group is the lessee:*

The Group assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease, at inception of the contract. The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease arrangements in which it is the lessee, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets. For these leases, the Group recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased assets are consumed.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted by using the rate implicit in the lease. If this rate cannot be readily determined, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate specific to the lessee.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise:

- fixed lease payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or rate, initially measured using the index or rate at the commencement date;
- the amount expected to be payable by the lessee under residual value guarantees;
- the exercise price of purchase options, if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise the options; and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the exercise of an option to terminate the lease.

The lease liability is presented as a separate line in the statement of financial position.

The lease liability is subsequently measured by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability (using the effective interest method) and by reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 Leases (continued)

(a) When the Group is the lessee (continued):

The Group remeasures the lease liability (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use asset) whenever:

- the lease term has changed or there is a significant event or change in circumstances resulting in a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate;
- the lease payments change due to changes in an index or rate or a change in expected payment under a guaranteed residual value, in which cases the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using the initial discount rate (unless the lease payments change is due to a change in a floating interest rate, in which case a revised discount rate is used); or
- a lease contract is modified and the lease modification is not accounted for as a separate lease, in which case the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

The right-of-use assets comprise the initial measurement of the corresponding lease liability, lease payments made at or before the commencement day, less any lease incentives received and any initial direct costs. They are subsequently measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Whenever the Group incurs an obligation for costs to dismantle and remove a leased asset, restore the site on which it is located or restore the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, a provision is recognised and measured under SFRS(I) 1-37 *Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*. To the extent that the costs relate to a right-of-use asset, the costs are included in the related right-of-use asset, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated over the shorter period of lease term and useful life of the underlying asset. If a lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Group expects to exercise a purchase option, the related right-of-use asset is depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset. The depreciation starts at the commencement date of the lease.

The right-of-use assets are presented as a separate line in the statement of financial position.

The Group applies SFRS(I) 1-36 *Impairment of Assets* to determine whether a right-of-use asset is impaired and accounts for any identified impairment loss as described in Note 2.20.

Variable rents that do not depend on an index or rate are not included in the measurement of the lease liability and the right-of-use asset. The related payments are recognised as an expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers those payments occurs and are included in the line 'Other operating expenses' in the statement of profit or loss.

As a practical expedient, SFRS(I) 16 permits a lessee not to separate non-lease components, and instead account for any lease and associated non-lease components as a single arrangement. The Group has elected to not separate lease and non-lease component for property leases and account these as one single lease component.

The Group has applied the amendment to SFRS(I) 16 *Leases: COVID-19-Related Rent Concessions*. The Group applies the practical expedient allowing it not to assess whether a rent concession related to COVID-19 is a lease modification. The Group applies the practical expedient consistently to contracts with similar characteristics and in similar circumstances.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 Leases (continued)

(b) *When the Group is the lessor:*

Leases for which the Group is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

When the Group is an intermediate lessor, it accounts for the head lease and the sublease as two separate contracts. The sublease is classified as a finance or operating lease by reference to the right-of-use asset arising from the head lease.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

When a contract includes lease and non-lease components, the Group applies SFRS(I) 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* to allocate the consideration under the contract to each component.

2.5 Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties. The Group recognises revenue when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer.

(a) *Post and Parcel*

Revenue is recognised from post and parcel related activities which includes collecting, sorting, transporting and distributing domestic and international mail as well as sale of philatelic products, agency services, financial services and parcel deliveries in Singapore.

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when the goods are delivered to the customer and all criteria for acceptance have been satisfied which is the point when control of goods has transferred to the customer. Under the Group's standard contract terms, customers do not have a right of return.

Revenue from the rendering of services is recognised when the services are rendered and the contracted performance obligation is satisfied. Such revenue can be recognised at a point in time or over time depending on when control of goods or services is transferred to the customer. The Group's delivery-related contracts may include variable consideration such as volume-based discounts or rebates. When consideration is variable, the estimated amount is included in the transaction price to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal of the cumulative revenue will not occur when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is resolved.

Fee commission is recognised for agency services provided for which the Group acts as an agent and has no control over specified goods/services.

Accrual for unearned revenue is made for stamps which have been sold, but for which services have not been rendered as at the end of the reporting period. This accrual is classified as "contract liabilities".

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.5 Revenue recognition (continued)

(a) *Post and Parcel* (continued)

The Group received upfront payment with respect to post assurance collaboration from HSBC Life (Singapore) Pte Ltd ("HSBC Life") (formerly known as AXA Life Insurance Singapore Private Limited) and revenue is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the period of 10 years till 19 January 2025. When the period between the recognition of revenue and payment by the customer exceeds one year, an adjustment is made to the transaction price for the time value of money. The Group has elected to apply the practical expedient not to adjust the transaction price for the existence of significant financing component when the period between the transfer of control of good or service to a customer and the payment date is one year or less.

A contract liability is recognised when the Group has not yet performed under the contract but has received advanced payments from the customer. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue as the Group performs under the contract.

(b) *Logistics*

The Group provides eCommerce logistics, warehousing, fulfilment and distribution and freight forwarding services.

Revenue from the rendering of services is recognised when the services are rendered.

Brokerage income from freight forwarding, being net of costs of premium against premium income is recognised at the effective date of the related insurance policies. Brokerage on premium adjustments is recognised when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is resolved.

(c) *Property*

Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Revenue from self-storage solutions, management services and advertising and promotion income are recognised on a straight-line basis over the service period.

2.6 Employee compensation

Employee benefits are recognised as an expense, unless the cost qualifies to be capitalised as an asset.

(a) *Defined contribution plans*

Defined contribution plans are post-employment benefit plans under which the Group pays fixed contributions into separate entities such as the Central Provident Fund, on a mandatory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.6 Employee compensation (continued)

(b) *Defined benefit plans*

Defined benefit plans are post-employment benefit pension plans other than defined contribution plans. Defined benefit plans typically define the amount of benefit that an employee will receive on or after retirement, usually dependent on one or more factors such as age, years of service and compensation.

The liability recognised in the statement of financial position in respect of a defined benefit pension plan is the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the reporting date less the fair value plan assets, together with adjustments for unrecognised past-service costs. The defined benefit obligation is calculated annually by independent actuaries using the projected unit credit method. The present value of the defined benefit obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows using market yields of high quality corporate bonds that are denominated in the currency in which the benefits will be paid, and have tenures approximating to that of the related post-employment benefit obligations.

Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income in the period when they arise.

Past service costs are recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the changes to the pension plan are conditional on the employees remaining in service for a specified period of time (the vesting period). In this case, the past service costs are amortised on a straight-line basis over the vesting period.

(c) *Share-based compensation*

The share-based compensation plans of the Group are accounted as equity-settled share-based payments. The value of the employee services received in exchange for the grant of options is recognised as an expense in profit or loss with a corresponding increase in the share option reserve over the vesting period. The total amount to be recognised over the vesting period is determined by reference to the fair value of the options granted on the date of the grant. Non-market vesting conditions are included in the estimation of the number of shares under options that are expected to become exercisable on the vesting date. At the end of each reporting period, the Group revises its estimates of the number of shares under options that are expected to become exercisable on the vesting date and recognises the impact of the revision of the estimates in profit or loss, with a corresponding adjustment to the share option reserve over the remaining vesting period.

When the options are exercised, the proceeds received (net of transaction costs) and the related balance previously recognised in the share option reserve are credited to the share capital account, when new ordinary shares are issued, or to the "treasury shares" account, when treasury shares are re-issued to the employees.

2.7 Government grants

Grants from the government are recognised as a receivable at their fair value when there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Group will comply with all the attached conditions.

Government grants receivable are recognised as income or cost recovery over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate, on a systematic basis. Government grants relating to expenses are shown separately as offset against the related expenses.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.8 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

2.9 Exceptional items

Exceptional items refer to items of income or expense within the income statement from ordinary activities that are of such size, nature or incidence that their separate disclosure is considered necessary to explain the performance of the Group for the financial year.

2.10 Income taxes

Income tax expense comprises current and deferred tax.

The current tax is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit as reported in the consolidated income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are not taxable or tax deductible.

Current income tax for current and prior periods is recognised at the amount expected to be paid to or recovered from the tax authorities, using the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted in countries where the Company and subsidiaries operate by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred income tax is recognised for all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements, except when the deferred income tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction.

A deferred income tax liability is recognised on temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

A deferred income tax asset is recognised to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred income tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period. Except for investment properties measured using the fair value method, the measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequence that will follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amounts of its assets and liabilities.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax liabilities and deferred tax assets for investment properties that are measured using the fair value model the carrying amounts of such properties are presumed to be recovered through sale, unless the presumption is rebutted. The presumption is rebutted when the investment property is depreciable and is held within a business model of the Group whose business objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time, rather than through sale. The Group has not rebutted the presumption that the carrying amount of the investment properties will be recovered entirely through sale.

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

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.10 Income taxes (continued)

Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or expenses in profit or loss, except to the extent that the tax arises from a business combination or a transaction which is recognised outside profit or loss (either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity), in which case the tax is also recognised outside profit or loss (either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, respectively). Deferred tax arising from a business combination is adjusted against goodwill on acquisition.

2.11 Currency translation

(a) *Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements of each entity in the Group are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ("functional currency"). The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company.

(b) *Transactions and balances*

Transactions in a currency other than the functional currency ("foreign currency") are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Currency exchange differences from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the end of the reporting period are recognised in profit or loss. Exchange differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items carried at fair value are included in profit or loss for the period except for differences arising on the retranslation of non-monetary items in respect of which gains and losses are recognised in other comprehensive income. For such non-monetary items, any exchange component of that gain or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income. For equity investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI"), exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income in the fair value reserve. In the consolidated financial statements, currency translation differences arising from net investment in foreign operations are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve.

When a foreign operation is disposed of, the proportionate share of the accumulated currency translation differences is reclassified to profit or loss, as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

(c) *Translation of Group entities' financial statements*

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

- (i) Assets and liabilities are translated at the closing exchange rates at the end of the reporting period;
- (ii) Income and expenses are translated at average exchange rates (unless the average is not a reasonable approximation of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions); and
- (iii) All resulting currency translation differences are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve. These currency translation differences are classified to profit or loss on disposal or partial disposal of the entity giving rise to such reserve.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition of foreign operations are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign operations and translated at the closing rates at the end of the reporting period.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.12 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash at bank and on hand, deposits with financial institutions which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

2.13 Financial assets

Financial assets are recognised on the statement of financial position when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments. All financial assets are recognised and de-recognised on a trade date basis where the purchase or sale of financial assets is under a contract whose terms require delivery of assets within the time frame established by the market concerned.

Financial assets are initially measured at fair value, except for trade receivables that do not have a significant financing component which are measured at transaction price. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets (other than financial assets at fair value through profit or loss) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

(i) *Classification of financial assets*

Debt instruments that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

By default, all other financial assets are subsequently measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL").

Despite the foregoing, the Group may make the following irrevocable election/designation at initial recognition of a financial asset:

- the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in other comprehensive income if certain criteria are met; and
- the Group may irrevocably designate a debt investment that meets the amortised cost or FVTOCI criteria as measured at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.13 Financial assets (continued)

(i) *Classification of financial assets* (continued)

Amortised cost and effective interest method

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a debt instrument and of allocating interest income over the relevant period.

For financial instruments other than purchased or originated credit-impaired financial assets, the effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) excluding expected credit losses, through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the gross carrying amount of the debt instrument on initial recognition.

The amortised cost of a financial asset is the amount at which the financial asset is measured at initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount, adjusted for any loss allowance. On the other hand, the gross carrying amount of a financial asset is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any loss allowance.

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method for debt instruments measured subsequently at amortised cost and at FVTOCI.

Interest income is recognised in profit or loss.

Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI

On initial recognition, the Group may make an irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVTOCI unless the equity investment is held for trading or if it is contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which SFRS(I) 3 *Business Combinations* applies.

Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs. Subsequently, they are measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the fair value reserve. The cumulative gain or loss will not be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments, instead, they will be transferred to retained earnings.

The Group has designated all investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading as at FVTOCI on initial application of SFRS(I) 9 *Financial Instruments* (see Note 15).

Dividends on these investments in equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive the dividends is established, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Dividends are included in the "interest income and investment income (net)" line item in profit or loss.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.13 Financial assets (continued)

(ii) *Impairment of financial assets*

The Group recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses ("ECL") on investments in debt instruments that are measured at amortised cost or at FVTOCI as well as on loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts. No impairment loss is recognised for investments in equity instruments. The amount of expected credit losses is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition of the respective financial instrument.

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

For all other financial instruments, the Group recognises lifetime ECL when there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition.

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

Significant increase in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk on a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

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

- existing or forecast adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor; and
- breach of settlement contract or default in contractual obligations.

If credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition or if the credit quality of the financial instruments improves such that there is no longer a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs.

For loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the date that the Group becomes a party to the irrevocable commitment is considered to be the date of initial recognition for the purposes of assessing the financial instrument for impairment. In assessing whether there has been a significant increase in the credit risk since initial recognition of a loan commitment, the Group considers changes in the risk of a default occurring on the loan to which a loan commitment relates; for financial guarantee contracts, the Group considers the changes in the risk that the specified debtor will default on the contract.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.13 Financial assets (continued)

(ii) *Impairment of financial assets* (continued)

Credit-impaired financial assets

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial asset have occurred.

Measurement and recognition of expected credit losses

The measurement of ECL is a function of the probability of default, loss given default (i.e. the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data adjusted by forward-looking information as described above. As for the exposure at default, for financial assets, this is represented by the assets' gross carrying amount at the reporting date; for loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the exposure includes the amount drawn down as at the reporting date, together with any additional amounts expected to be drawn down in the future by default date determined based on historical trend, the Group's understanding of the specific future financing needs of the debtors, and other relevant forward-looking information.

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

The Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments with a corresponding adjustment to their carrying amount through a loss allowance account.

Derecognition of financial assets

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

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit or loss.

2.14 Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined using the weighted average method for the retail goods at post offices. The cost of trading goods comprises all cost of purchase and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less applicable variable selling expenses.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.15 Assets classified as held for sale

Non-current assets and disposal groups are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable and the asset (or disposal group) is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Management must be committed to the sale, which should be expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification. Immediately before classification as held for sale or distribution, the assets, or components of a disposal group, are remeasured in accordance with the Group's accounting policies. Thereafter the assets, or disposal group, classified as held as sale are generally measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

When the Group is committed to a sale plan involving loss of control of a subsidiary, all of the assets and liabilities of that subsidiary are classified as held for sale when the criteria described above are met, regardless of whether the Group will retain a non-controlling interest in its former subsidiary after the sale.

When the Group is committed to a sale plan involving disposal of an investment in an associate or, a portion of an investment in an associate, the investment, or the portion of the investment in the associate, that will be disposed of is classified as held for sale when the criteria described above are met. The Group then ceases to apply the equity method in relation to the portion that is classified as held for sale. Any retained portion of an investment in an associate that has not been classified as held for sale continues to be accounted for using the equity method.

2.16 Investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures

Investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses in the Company's statement of financial position. On disposal of such investments, the difference between disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the investments are recognised in profit or loss.

2.17 Investment property

Investment properties include those portions of commercial buildings that are held for long-term rental yields and/or for capital appreciation. Investment properties include properties that are being constructed or developed for future use as investment properties.

Investment properties are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at fair value. Changes in fair values are recognised in the income statement for the period in which they arise.

If an investment property becomes owner-occupied, it is reclassified as property, plant and equipment and its fair value at the date of reclassification becomes its cost for accounting purposes.

On disposal of an investment property, the difference between the disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts is recognised in the income statement in the period in which the property is derecognised.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.18 Property, plant and equipment

(a) *Measurement*

All property, plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. The projected cost of dismantlement, removal or restoration is also recognised as part of the cost of property, plant and equipment if the obligation for the dismantlement, removal or restoration is incurred as a consequence of acquiring the asset.

(b) *Depreciation*

Depreciation on property, plant and equipment is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives as follows:

	<u>Useful lives</u>
Leasehold land	30 to 99 years
Buildings	5 to 50 years
Postal equipment	3 to 20 years
Plant and machinery	3 to 20 years
Motor vehicles	5 to 15 years

Capital work-in-progress, representing costs of property, plant and equipment which have not been commissioned for use, is not depreciated.

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method of property, plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. The effects of any revision are recognised in profit or loss when the changes arise.

(c) *Subsequent expenditure*

Subsequent expenditure relating to property, plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Group and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance expense is recognised in profit or loss when incurred.

(d) *Disposal*

On disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment, the difference between the disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is recognised in profit or loss.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.18 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

(e) *Transfer*

A transfer from property, plant and equipment to investment properties is fair valued at the date of transfer and the difference between fair value and the previous carrying amount is accounted for as an asset revaluation surplus or deficit in equity. Increases in carrying amounts arising from revaluation, including currency translation differences, are recognised in other comprehensive income, unless there was an impairment loss recognised for the same property in prior years and a portion of the increase is recognised in profit or loss to the extent of that impairment loss. Decreases are recognised in profit or loss for any decrease in excess of the amount included in the revaluation surplus for that property.

Please refer to Note 2.17 for the accounting policy on the transfer from investment properties to property, plant and equipment.

2.19 Intangible assets

(a) *Goodwill on acquisitions*

Goodwill on acquisitions of subsidiaries and businesses represents the excess of (i) the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and the acquisition-date fair value of any previous equity interest in the acquiree over (ii) the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired.

Goodwill on subsidiaries is recognised separately as intangible assets and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Goodwill on associated companies and joint ventures represents the excess of the cost of acquisition over the Group's share of the fair values of the identifiable net assets acquired and is included in the carrying amount of the investments.

Gains and losses on the disposal of subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

(b) *Customer relationships*

Customer relationships acquired in business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. The customer relationships have finite useful lives and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method over 6 to 7 years, which is the expected lives of the customer relationships.

(c) *Acquired software licence*

Acquired software licence is initially capitalised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. These costs are amortised to profit or loss using the straight-line method over the licence term or the estimated useful lives of 1 to 5 years.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.19 Intangible assets (continued)

(d) *Trademarked brands*

Trademarked brands acquired as part of business combinations are recognised at their fair values at the acquisition date.

The trademarked brands with finite useful lives are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method over 5 years.

The trademarked brands with indefinite useful lives are not amortised and are subsequently tested for impairment annually. In connection with the annual impairment assessment of the trademarked brands, the critical accounting judgement in respect of the indefinite useful lives assumption will also be reviewed.

2.20 Impairment of non-financial assets

(a) *Goodwill*

Goodwill recognised separately as an intangible asset is tested for impairment annually and whenever there is indication that the goodwill may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing of goodwill, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating-units or group of cash-generating-units ("CGU") expected to benefit from synergies arising from the business combination.

An impairment loss is recognised when the carrying amount of a CGU, including the goodwill, exceeds the recoverable amount of the CGU. The recoverable amount of a CGU is the higher of the CGU's fair value less cost to sell and value-in-use.

The total impairment loss of a CGU is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the CGU and then to the other assets of the CGU pro-rata on the basis of the carrying amount of each asset in the CGU.

An impairment loss on goodwill is recognised as an expense and is not reversed in a subsequent period.

(b) *Trademarked brand with indefinite useful life*

Trademarked brand with indefinite useful life is tested for impairment annually and whenever there is indication that the trademarked brand may be impaired.

An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss when the carrying amount of the trademarked brand exceeds the recoverable amount of the acquired brand. The recoverable amount of the trademarked brand is the higher of a trademarked brand's fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.20 Impairment of non-financial assets (continued)

- (c) *Other intangible assets (excluding goodwill and trademarked brand with indefinite useful life)*
Property, plant and equipment
Right-of-use assets
Investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures

Other intangible assets, property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and investments in subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired.

For the purpose of impairment testing, the recoverable amount (i.e. the higher of the fair value less cost to sell and the value-in-use) is determined on an individual asset basis unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets. If this is the case, the recoverable amount is determined for the CGU to which the asset belongs.

If the recoverable amount of the asset (or CGU) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or CGU) is reduced to its recoverable amount.

The difference between the carrying amount and recoverable amount is recognised as an impairment loss in profit or loss.

An impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is reversed only if, there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the asset's recoverable amount since the last impairment loss was recognised. The carrying amount of this asset is increased to its revised recoverable amount, provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of any accumulated amortisation or depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset in prior years.

A reversal of impairment loss for an asset other than goodwill is recognised in profit or loss.

2.21 Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. They are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade and other payables are initially recognised at fair value, and subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.22 Derivative financial instruments

A derivative financial instrument is initially recognised at its fair value on the date the contract is entered into and is subsequently carried at its fair value. The method of recognising the resulting gain or loss depends on whether the derivative is designated as a hedging instrument, and if so, the nature of the item being hedged.

Fair value changes on derivatives that are not designated or do not qualify for hedge accounting are recognised in profit or loss when the changes arise.

The Group documents at the inception of the transaction the relationship between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objective and strategies for undertaking various hedge transactions. The Group also documents its assessment, both at hedge inception and on an ongoing basis, on whether the derivatives designated as hedging instruments are highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of hedged items.

The carrying amount of a derivative is presented as a non-current asset or liability if the remaining expected life of the derivative is more than 12 months, and as a current asset or liability if the remaining expected life of the derivative is less than 12 months.

2.23 Hedge accounting

The Group designates certain derivatives as hedging instruments in respect of market risk in fair value hedges.

At the inception of the hedge relationship, the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument is effective in offsetting changes in fair values of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk, which is when the hedging relationships meet all of the following hedge effectiveness requirements:

- there is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument;
- the effect of credit risk does not dominate the value changes that result from that economic relationship; and
- the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is the same as that resulting from the quantity of the hedged item that the Group actually hedges and the quantity of the hedging instrument that the entity actually uses to hedge that quantity of hedged item.

If a hedging relationship ceases to meet the hedge effectiveness requirement relating to the hedge ratio but the risk management objective for that designated hedging relationship remains the same, the Group adjusts the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship (i.e. rebalances the hedge) so that it meets the qualifying criteria again.

Note 17 sets out details of the fair value of the derivative instrument used for hedging purposes.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.23 Hedge accounting (continued)

Fair value hedges

The fair value change on qualifying hedging instruments is recognised in profit or loss except when the hedging instrument hedges an equity instrument designated at FVTOCI in which case it is recognised in other comprehensive income.

The carrying amount of a hedged item not already measured at fair value is adjusted for the fair value change attributable to the hedged risk with a corresponding entry in profit or loss. For debt instruments measured at FVTOCI, the carrying amount is not adjusted as it is already at fair value, but the hedging gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss instead of other comprehensive income. When the hedged item is an equity instrument designated at FVTOCI, the hedging gain or loss remains in other comprehensive income to match that of the hedging instrument.

Where hedging gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss, they are recognised in the same line as the hedged item.

The Group discontinues hedge accounting only when the hedging relationship (or a part thereof) ceases to meet the qualifying criteria (after rebalancing, if applicable). This includes instances when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. The discontinuation is accounted for prospectively. The fair value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortised to profit or loss from that date.

2.24 Borrowings

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value (net of transaction costs) and subsequently carried at amortised cost, except for the borrowings that are designated as fair value hedges. The gain or loss on the borrowings attributable to the hedged risk shall adjust the carrying amount of the borrowings and be recognised in profit or loss. The adjustment of the fair value will be reversed when the hedging relationship is discontinued or lapsed.

Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings which are due to be settled within twelve months after the end of the reporting period are included in current borrowings in the statement of financial position. Other borrowings with an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the end of the reporting period are included in non-current borrowings in the statement of financial position.

2.25 Financial guarantee contracts

A financial guarantee contract is a contract that requires the issuer to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payments when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument.

Financial guarantee contracts issued by a group entity are initially measured at their fair values and, if not designated as FVTPL and do not arise from a transfer of a financial asset, are subsequently measured at the higher of:

- the amount of the loss allowance determined in accordance with SFRS(I) 9; and
- the amount initially recognised less cumulative amortisation.

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2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.26 Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated.

2.27 Derecognition of financial liabilities

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

2.28 Share capital and treasury shares

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of new ordinary shares are deducted against the share capital account.

When any entity within the Group purchases the Company's ordinary shares ("treasury shares"), the carrying amount which includes the consideration paid and any directly attributable transaction cost is presented as a component within equity attributable to the Company's equity holders, until they are cancelled, sold or reissued.

When treasury shares are subsequently cancelled, the cost of treasury shares are deducted against the share capital account if the shares are purchased out of capital of the Company, or against the retained profits of the Company if the shares are purchased out of earnings of the Company.

When treasury shares are subsequently sold or reissued pursuant to the employee share option scheme, the cost of treasury shares is reversed from the treasury share account and the realised gain or loss on sale or reissue, net of any directly attributable incremental transaction costs and related income tax, is recognised in the capital reserve.

2.29 Perpetual securities

The perpetual securities do not have a maturity date and the Group is able to elect to defer making a distribution, subject to the terms and conditions of the securities issue. Accordingly, the Group is not considered to have a contractual obligation to make principal repayments or distributions in respect of its perpetual securities issued and the perpetual securities are presented within equity. Distributions are treated as dividends which will be directly debited from equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of the perpetual securities are deducted against the proceeds from the issue.

2.30 Dividends to Company's shareholders

Dividends to Company's shareholders are recognised when the dividends are approved for payments.

2.31 Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the Group Chief Executive Officer and Group Chief Financial Officer who are responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of operating segments.

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS

Estimates, assumptions and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

(a) *Estimated impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets*

Goodwill and trademarked brands with indefinite useful lives are tested for impairment annually and whenever there is indication that goodwill and trademarked brands may be impaired. The recoverable amount of goodwill and trademarked brands, and where applicable, a CGU, is determined based on the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use calculations prepared on the basis of management's assumptions and estimates.

When value-in-use calculations are undertaken, the Group uses discounted cash flow projections based on approved financial budgets covering a five-year period. Significant judgements are used to estimate the terminal growth rates and discount rates applied in computing the recoverable amounts of the different CGUs. In making these estimates, management has relied on past performance, its expectations of the future developments of the various businesses and market (including the impact arising from geopolitical tensions and rising interest rates) and publicly available industry and economic data. Details of these key assumptions applied in the impairment assessment of goodwill and trademarked brands are provided in Note 26.

No impairment charge is recognised on its goodwill and other intangible assets during the financial years ended 31 March 2023 and 2022.

Other intangible assets are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence of indication that these assets may be impaired.

All impairment calculations demand a high degree of estimation, which include assessments of the expected cash flows arising from such assets and the selection of key assumptions. Changes to these estimates may significantly impact the impairment charges recognised.

The carrying value of goodwill and other intangible assets is disclosed in Note 26.

(b) *Acquisition of additional interests in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd*

During the year, the Group acquired a further 37% equity interest in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd ("FMH"). Consequently, the Group's shareholding in FMH increased to 88% (2022: 51%).

The aggregate consideration for this acquisition approximates S\$174.8 million, subject to adjustments as agreed in the share sale and purchase agreement. Such consideration includes a contingent consideration which is dependent, amongst others, the Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation ("EBITDA") of FMH for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 and involves management estimate and judgement.

Subject to the terms of the share sale and purchase agreement, the non-controlling shareholders are granted put options which are exercisable from 1 July 2023. Concurrently, the Group is granted call options which are exercisable at the same consideration and periods.

Significant management judgment is required in estimating the fair value of the remaining 12% gross liability at 31 March 2023 and the underlying assumptions to be applied in determining the gross liability at the end of the reporting period.

The carrying value of the put option redemption liability is disclosed in Note 27.

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(c) Valuation of investment properties

As at 31 March 2023, the Group's investment properties of S\$965.8 million (2022: S\$956.6 million) (Note 23) are stated at their estimated fair values determined by independent professional valuers. These estimated fair values may differ significantly from the prices at which these properties can be sold due to the actual negotiations between willing buyers and sellers as well as changes in assumptions and conditions arising from ongoing development of macroeconomic uncertainties and other unforeseen events. Consequently, the actual results and the realisation of these properties could differ significantly from the estimates disclosed in these financial statements.

(d) Investment in Shenzhen 4PX Information and Technology Co., Limited ("4PX")

(i) Valuation of 4PX

The Group carries an investment in Shenzhen 4PX Information and Technology Co., Limited ("4PX") measured at fair value and classified as an equity investment measured at FVTOCI (Note 15).

When the fair value of such investment cannot be determined from active markets, valuation techniques including trading multiples of comparable companies with entity-specific adjustments made are used. The valuation of 4PX is determined based on Enterprise Value / Revenue multiples of selected comparable companies at the end of the reporting period. The inputs to the valuation model are derived from market observable data where possible, including but not limited to financial data of selected public companies in logistics services, freight management, supply chain management and e-commerce, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required to establish fair value. Details of the valuation techniques and inputs used are disclosed in Note 37(f).

As at 31 March 2023, the carrying value of the investment in 4PX measured at FVTOCI was S\$ 41.9 million (2022: S\$90.4 million).

(ii) Fair value hedge on option right

During the current financial year, certain revisions were made to the shareholder's agreement entered into by various shareholders of 4PX and the Group. As a result, the Group has a right to a put option ("equity option") to put its equity interest in 4PX to an external shareholder of 4PX at a fixed exercise price. Upon fulfilment of certain conditions by this shareholder, the Group can exercise the put option granted. This external shareholder also has a corresponding right to call and acquire the Group's equity interest in 4PX at the same fixed exercise price. Based on discussions with various parties, management believes that the conditions will be fulfilled.

The Group has applied fair value hedge accounting to designate the equity option as a hedging instrument to hedge the risk of fair value changes associated with its investment in 4PX, which is recorded in 'financial assets designated at FVTOCI' (Note 15). As the hedged item is an equity investment designated at FVTOCI, the hedging gain/loss remains in other comprehensive income to match that of the hedging instrument. In determining the fair value of the equity option, management has considered the valuation of 4PX as mentioned above in 3d(i). Details on the valuation technique and inputs used are further disclosed in Note 37(f).

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the changes in fair value of the hedging instrument recorded in other comprehensive income amounted to S\$56.9 million (Note 17).

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3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES, ASSUMPTIONS AND JUDGEMENTS (continued)

(e) *Estimated impairment of other non-financial assets*

Property, plant and equipment (Note 24), right-of-use assets (Note 25) and investments in subsidiaries (Note 22), associated companies and joint ventures (Note 21) are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired. The recoverable amount of an asset, and where applicable, a CGU, is determined based on the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use calculation prepared on the basis of management's assumptions and estimates.

All impairment calculations demand a high degree of estimation, which include assessments of the expected cash flows arising from such assets and the selection of key assumptions. Changes to these estimates may significantly impact the impairment charges recognised.

The Group recognised impairment charges on assets classified as held for sale, investment in associated companies and property, plant and equipment amounting to S\$Nil (2022: S\$5.5 million), S\$Nil million (2022: S\$2.7 million) and S\$1.4 million (2022: S\$4.4 million) respectively during the financial year. Details are provided in Notes 19, 21 and 24.

In the preceding financial year, the Company recognised impairment charges on investments in subsidiaries of S\$6,624,000 (Note 22).

(f) *Calculation of loss allowance for trade and other receivables*

When measuring ECL, the Group uses reasonable and supportable forward-looking information, which is based on assumptions for the future movement of different economic drivers and how these drivers will affect each other.

Apart from the estimates involved in determining likelihood of default over a given time horizon to determine ECL, when there are events indicating that trade and other receivables are credit impaired, management has to estimate the loss allowance required.

Reversal of impairment loss on trade and other receivables recognised in profit or loss amounted to S\$0.1 million (2022: impairment charge of S\$2.2 million) for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

The carrying values of trade and other receivables are disclosed in Notes 16 and 20.

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4. REVENUE

Revenue from external customers is derived from the provision of mail, logistics solution, agency and financial services and front-end ecommerce solutions.

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Post and Parcel	505,546	604,784
Logistics	1,313,027	988,450
Property	53,686	72,345
	1,872,259	1,665,579

A disaggregation of the Group's revenue for the year is as follows:

	2023			Group			2022		
	Revenue from services rendered S\$'000	Sale of products S\$'000	Total S\$'000	Revenue from services rendered S\$'000	Sale of products S\$'000	Total S\$'000	Revenue from services rendered S\$'000	Sale of products S\$'000	Total S\$'000
Post and Parcel	504,282	1,264	505,546	602,498	2,286	604,784			
Logistics	1,313,027	–	1,313,027	988,450	–	988,450			
Property	53,686	–	53,686	72,345	–	72,345			
	1,870,995	1,264	1,872,259	1,663,293	2,286	1,665,579			

Timing of revenue recognition in respect of revenue from contracts with customers ⁽¹⁾

At a point in time	9,328	1,264	10,592	5,097	2,286	7,383
Over time	1,822,215	–	1,822,215	1,616,234	–	1,616,234
	1,831,543	1,264	1,823,807	1,621,331	2,286	1,623,617

⁽¹⁾ These disclosures under SFRS(I) 15 are not applicable to revenue from lease contracts amounting to S\$39,452,000 (2022: S\$41,962,000).

Further revenue information for each reportable segment under SFRS(I) 8 *Operating Segments* is disclosed in Note 39.

The Group applies the practical expedient in paragraph 121 of SFRS(I) 15 and does not disclose information about its remaining performance obligations if:

- the performance obligation is part of a contract that has an original expected duration of one year or less; or
- the Group has a right to invoice a customer in an amount that corresponds directly with its performance to date, then it recognises revenue in that amount.

Transaction price allocated to performance obligations that are unsatisfied (or partially unsatisfied) as at the end of the reporting period relates to 'Advances received for post assurance collaboration'. Refer to Note 29 for further details.

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5. LABOUR AND RELATED EXPENSES

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Wages and salaries	242,191	204,492
Employer's contribution to defined contribution plans including		
Central Provident Fund	32,342	27,150
Share-based credit (Note 32(b)(i))	(440)	(4,535)
Other benefits	8,979	9,995
Long term incentive plan	2,013	–
Temporary and contract staff cost	68,239	74,798
Government grant	(2,581)	(1,984)
	350,743	309,916

6. VOLUME-RELATED EXPENSES

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Traffic expenses	1,012,497	825,051
Outsourcing services and delivery expenses	201,545	225,972
	1,214,042	1,051,023

7. ADMINISTRATIVE AND OTHER EXPENSES

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Included in administrative and other expenses are the following:		
Professional services	8,158	10,642
Repair and maintenance expenses	26,502	26,307
Rental expenses	7,256	6,114
Supplies and services	39,538	30,236

8. DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Depreciation – property, plant and equipment (Note 24)	40,970	40,163
Depreciation – right-of-use assets (Note 25)	33,959	31,113
Amortisation (Note 26)	7,641	3,148
	82,570	74,424

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9. EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Disposals:		
– Gain on change in ownership interest from an associated company to a subsidiary	–	32,427
– Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(227)	(574)
– Gain on disposal of an associated company	99	–
– Net gain / (loss) on disposal / liquidation of subsidiaries ⁽¹⁾	448	(6,317)
Acquisitions:		
– Gain on contingent consideration	1,284	–
Fair value gain / (loss):		
– Investment properties (Note 23)	18,565	1,279
– Derivative instruments for hedging	(282)	–
– Put option redemption liability ⁽²⁾	(21,719)	(1,945)
Reversal of impairment charges / (Impairment charges) ⁽³⁾		
– Property, plant and equipment	(1,441)	(4,374)
– Associated company	–	(2,700)
– Disposal group classified as held for sale ⁽⁴⁾	–	(5,469)
– Loans to associated companies	525	(1,644)
M&A related expenses	(3,399)	(8,926)
(Restructuring of operations) / Reversal of provision for restructuring	(1,558)	101
	(7,705)	1,858

⁽¹⁾ Before considering the effect of transfer of revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment and other capital reserve of S\$Nil (2022: S\$6,017,000) (Note 32(iv) and (v)) directly to retained earnings.

⁽²⁾ On 31 March 2023, the Group completed its acquisition of additional 37% equity interest in FMH through exercising of a put option written with the non-controlling shareholder. The fair value loss of put option redemption liability of S\$22.9 million included as part of the S\$21.7 million loss above arises from fair value movement of this liability from 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023.

⁽³⁾ Total impairment charges amounted to S\$916,000 (2022: S\$14,187,000).

⁽⁴⁾ Before considering the effect of the reversal of tax provision of S\$5,200,000 for the preceding financial year ended 31 March 2022. (Note 12).

10. INTEREST INCOME AND INVESTMENT INCOME (NET)

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Interest income		
– Bank deposits	7,378	1,113
– Bonds at amortised cost	77	436
– Others	45	211
	7,500	1,760
Currency exchange (losses) / gains – net	(5,352)	1,598
Others	–	8
	2,148	3,366

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11. FINANCE EXPENSES

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Interest expense:		
– Fixed rate notes	9,555	6,352
– Bank borrowings	4,740	2,036
– Interest on lease liabilities	4,031	4,043
– Significant financing component from contracts with customers	717	996
– Other borrowing cost	580	1,352
	19,623	14,779

12. INCOME TAX EXPENSE

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Tax expense attributable to profit is made up of:		
– Current income tax	32,768	24,486
– Deferred income tax (Note 30)	(3,048)	462
	29,720	24,948
(Over) / Under provision in preceding financial years:		
– Current income tax	(1,612)	(5,325)
– Deferred income tax (Note 30)	1,141	–
	29,249	19,623

The tax expense on the Group's profit before tax differs from the theoretical amount that would arise using the Singapore standard rate of income tax as explained below:

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Profit before tax	68,009	107,366
Tax calculated at a tax rate of 17% (2022: 17%)	11,562	18,252
Effects of:		
– Tax effect of share of results of associated companies and joint ventures	(4)	(824)
– Different tax rates in other countries	7,897	10,451
– Withholding tax deducted at source	564	642
– Singapore statutory stepped income exemption	(108)	(160)
– Tax incentive	(461)	(170)
– Income not subject to tax	(3,043)	(12,012)
– Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	10,106	7,044
– Utilisation of tax losses and capital allowances	(402)	(743)
– Deferred income tax assets not recognised	3,609	2,468
– Overprovision in preceding financial years	(471)	(5,325)
Tax charge	29,249	19,623

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13. EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Basic earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding, excluding treasury shares, during the financial year.

	Group	
	2023	2022
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company (S\$'000)	24,679	83,112
Less: Distribution to perpetual securities holders of the Company (S\$'000)	<u>(10,726)</u>	<u>(13,652)</u>
Net profit attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company (S\$'000)	<u>13,953</u>	<u>69,460</u>
Weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for basic earnings per share ('000)	<u>2,249,700</u>	<u>2,249,577</u>
Basic earnings per share (cents per share)		
– Excluding distribution to perpetual securities holders	0.62	3.09
– Including distribution to perpetual securities holders	<u>1.10</u>	<u>3.69</u>

(b) Diluted earnings per share

For the purpose of calculating diluted earnings per share, profit attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding, excluding treasury shares, are adjusted for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares. The Company's dilutive potential ordinary shares are in the form of share options.

For share options, the weighted average number of shares on issue has been adjusted as if all dilutive share options were exercised. The number of shares that could have been issued upon the exercise of all dilutive share options less the number of shares that could have been issued at fair value (determined as the Company's average share price for the financial year) for the same total proceeds is added to the denominator as the number of shares issued for no consideration. No adjustment is made to the net profit.

There is no dilution of earnings per share for the financial years ended 31 March 2023 and 2022.

14. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Group		Company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash at bank and on hand	265,851	176,101	146,364	97,945
Deposits with financial institutions	<u>229,845</u>	<u>104,337</u>	<u>228,707</u>	<u>102,653</u>
	<u>495,696</u>	<u>280,438</u>	<u>375,071</u>	<u>200,598</u>

Deposits with financial institutions earn interest ranging from 3.80% to 4.21% (2022: 0.13% to 1.07%) per annum. Tenure for these deposits range from 30 to 92 days (2022: 15 to 92 days).

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15. FINANCIAL ASSETS

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Current</u>				
<i>Financial assets at amortised cost</i>				
– Bonds – quoted in Singapore	–	8,006	–	8,006
	–	8,006	–	8,006
<u>Non-current</u>				
<i>Financial assets designated as FVTOCI</i>				
– Equity investments – unquoted	42,076	90,631	–	–
	42,076	90,631	–	–

The Group carries an investment in Shenzhen 4PX Information Technology Co., Limited (“4PX”) classified as an equity investment designated at FVTOCI amounting to S\$41.9 million (2022: S\$90.4 million) for which fair value hedge accounting (Note 17) has been applied during the current financial year. During the full year ended 31 March 2023, the fair value loss arising from the investment is S\$48.5 million (2022: S\$10.4 million).

As at 31 March 2022, the debt securities were corporate bonds at fixed rates between 3.2% to 3.7% per annum and due between 3 June 2022 and 29 August 2022.

The fair values of the financial assets at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Current</u>				
<i>Financial assets at amortised cost</i>				
– Bonds – quoted in Singapore	–	8,170	–	8,170
	–	8,170	–	8,170
<u>Non-current</u>				
<i>Financial assets designated as FVTOCI</i>				
– Equity investments – unquoted	42,076	90,631	–	–
	42,076	90,631	–	–

The fair values of quoted securities are based on published price quotations at the end of the reporting period.

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16. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES – CURRENT

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Trade receivables				
– Subsidiaries	–	–	30,856	14,802
– Companies related by a substantial shareholder	652	1,406	652	1,406
– Non-related parties	226,225	227,148	80,917	82,234
	226,877	228,554	112,425	98,442
Less: Allowance for impairment of receivables – non-related parties	(2,667)	(5,282)	(1,207)	(4,436)
Trade receivables – net	224,210	223,272	111,218	94,006
Non-trade receivables from subsidiaries	–	–	2,299	4,845
Loans to associated companies	–	5,633	–	–
Less: Allowance for impairment of loan to associated companies	–	(2,390)	–	–
Less: Asset held for sale (Note 19)	–	(2,928)	–	–
	–	315	2,299	4,845
Staff loans (Note 20(a))	2	8	2	8
Interest receivable	957	71	957	66
Grant receivables	–	356	–	356
Other receivables	4,662	10,038	2,656	2,495
	229,831	234,060	117,132	101,776

As at 1 April 2021, the Group's and Company's trade receivables arising from contracts with customers amounted to S\$164.9 million (net of loss allowance of S\$3.2 million) and S\$108.1 million (net of loss allowance of S\$2.6 million) respectively.

Non-trade receivables from subsidiaries are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

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17. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	Contract notional amount 2023 S\$'000	Fair value assets / (liabilities) 2023 S\$'000	Contract notional amount 2022 S\$'000	Fair value (liabilities) 2022 S\$'000
<u>Group</u>				
Hedge instruments relating to fair value hedge				
Equity option	–	56,879	–	–
Other non-hedging derivatives				
Interest rate swaps	155,733	(281)	–	–
Currency forwards	138,262	(760)	146,309	(161)
Total derivative financial instruments	293,995	55,838	146,309	(161)

	Contract notional amount 2023 S\$'000	Fair value (liabilities) 2023 S\$'000	Contract notional amount 2022 S\$'000	Fair value (liabilities) 2022 S\$'000
<u>Company</u>				
Other non-hedging derivatives				
Currency forwards	138,262	(760)	146,309	(161)
Total derivative financial instruments	138,262	(760)	146,309	(161)

Company

Other non-hedging derivatives

Currency forwards	138,262	(760)	146,309	(161)
Total derivative financial instruments	138,262	(760)	146,309	(161)

Currency forwards

Currency forwards are transacted to hedge highly probable forecast transactions denominated in foreign currency expected to occur at various dates within twelve months from the end of the reporting period. The currency forwards have maturity dates that coincide within the expected occurrence of these transactions. Changes in fair value of the currency forwards not designated as hedging are recognised in profit or loss.

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17. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Equity option

The Group has equity option over its investment in 4PX classified as hedging instruments relating to fair value hedge amounting to S\$56.9 million which hedges the fair value changes arising from the financial assets designated at FVTOCI (Note 15). During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the fair value gain arising from the hedging instrument is S\$56.9 million (2022: S\$Nil).

Under the revised shareholders' agreement contract, the Group has the right to sell its existing interest in 4PX ("put option") and the obligation to sell the same interest upon exercise of an option by 4PX's existing shareholder ("call option") based on an agreed exercise price. The options have been granted to the Group but the ability to exercise the options are contingent upon occurrence of future events. The contract enables the Group to mitigate the risk of fair value change of its investment in 4PX.

The fair value of put and call options at the reporting date is determined by discounting the future cash flows and offset against the fair value of 4PX at the reporting date and the probability of occurrence of the contingent event. The interest rate is based on the risk free rate at the end of the reporting period.

As the critical terms of the option contracts and their corresponding hedged items are the same, the Group performs a qualitative assessment of effectiveness and it is expected that the value of the option contracts and the value of 4PX will systematically change in opposite direction in response to movements in the underlying fair value of the company.

The main source of hedge ineffectiveness in this hedge relationship is the effect of the counterparty and the Group's own credit risk on the fair value of the put option, which is not reflected in the fair value of the hedged item attributable to the change in fair value. No other sources of ineffectiveness emerged from these hedging relationships.

Interest rate swaps

Under interest rate swap contracts, the Group agrees to exchange the difference between fixed and floating rate interest amounts calculated on agreed notional principal amounts. Such contracts enable the Group to mitigate the risk of changing interest rates on the cash flow exposures on the issued variable rate debt. The fair value of interest rate swaps at the reporting date is determined by discounting the future cash flows using the curves at the reporting date and the credit risk inherent in the contract. The average interest rate is based on the outstanding balances at the end of the reporting period.

Interest rate swap contract assets and liabilities are included in the line 'Derivative financial instruments' (either as assets or as liabilities) within the consolidated statement of financial position.

The interest rate swaps settle on a quarterly basis. The floating rate on the interest rate swaps is based on the AUD Bank Bill Swap Rate. The Group will settle the difference between the fixed and floating interest rate on a net basis.

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17. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Interest rate swaps (continued)

The fair values of derivative financial instruments are shown on the statement of financial position as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Current assets</u>				
Other non-hedging derivatives				
Currency forwards	372	391	372	391
<u>Non-current asset</u>				
Hedge instrument relating to fair value hedge				
Equity option	56,879	–	–	–
	57,251	391	372	391
<u>Current liabilities</u>				
Other non-hedging derivatives				
Interest rate swap	(281)	–	–	–
Currency forwards	(1,132)	(552)	(1,132)	(552)
	(1,413)	(552)	(1,132)	(552)

The following table details the option contracts outstanding at the end of the reporting period, as well as information regarding their related hedged items. Option assets and liabilities are presented in the line 'Derivative financial instruments' (either as assets or as liabilities) within the consolidated statement of financial position.

	Fair value gains on hedging instrument 2023 S\$'000	Carrying amount of hedging instrument 2023 S\$'000	Hedged Item	Fair value losses on hedged item 2023 S\$'000	Carrying amount of hedged item 2023 S\$'000
<u>Group</u>					
Hedge instruments relating to fair value hedge					
Equity option	56,879	56,879	Equity investments at FVTOCI	(48,532)	41,865
Total	56,879	56,879		(48,532)	41,865

18. OTHER ASSETS

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Current</u>				
Deposits	4,889	4,431	1,637	1,689
Prepayments	20,505	30,904	6,214	7,220
	25,394	35,335	7,851	8,909
<u>Non-current</u>				
Deposits	5,832	7,076	–	–
	5,832	7,076	–	–

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19. ASSETS CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE AND LIABILITIES DIRECTLY ASSOCIATED WITH ASSETS CLASSIFIED AS HELD FOR SALE

2023

As at 31 March 2023, the Group and Company have a property which land has been gazetted for compulsory acquisition by the Singapore government. The major classes of assets comprising the "non-current assets held for sale" were as follows:

	Group and Company 2023 S\$'000
Assets classified as held for sale	
Investment property (Note 23)	10,914
Property, plant and equipment (Note 24)	786
	<u>11,700</u>

The assets classified as held for sale were included in Property segment for the purpose of segmental reporting.

2022

As at 31 March 2022, the Group had entered into various sales and purchase agreements to divest a foreign subsidiary and an associated company. Accordingly, the Group's assets classified as held for sale and liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale comprised the assets and liabilities of the foreign subsidiary and associated company.

The divestment of the foreign subsidiary and the associated company was completed during the current financial year.

	Group 2022 S\$'000
Assets classified as held for sale	
Cash and cash equivalents	1,230
Trade and other receivables	2,928
Investment in an associated company	1,341
	<u>5,499</u>
Liabilities directly associated with assets classified as held for sale	
Trade and other payables	1,226
Current income tax liabilities	856
	<u>2,082</u>

The assets and liabilities classified as held for sale were included in the Logistics segment for the purpose of segmental reporting.

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20. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES – NON-CURRENT

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Loans to subsidiaries	–	–	264,469	259,265
Less: Allowance for impairment	–	–	(46,366)	(46,480)
	–	–	218,103	212,785
Claimant Loan	4,810	4,810	–	–
Staff loans (Note 20(a))	135	135	135	135
	4,945	4,945	218,238	212,920

Loans to subsidiaries of S\$11,641,000 (2022: S\$11,999,000) are non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at Singapore interbank offered rate (SIBOR) plus 1.2% per annum and are not expected to be repayable within the next twelve months. The carrying amount of these loans approximate their fair value.

Loan to a subsidiary of S\$41,924,000 (2022: \$35,902,000) is non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at bank bill swap bid rate (BBSY) plus 1.38% per annum and will be repaid in full on 29 March 2026. The carrying amount of the loan approximates its fair value.

Loan to a subsidiary of S\$Nil (2022: S\$1,749,000) is non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at 1.94% to 2.96% per annum. The carrying amount of the loan approximates its fair value. In 2022, the settlement of the loan was not foreseen within the next twelve months. The loan was repaid during the current financial year.

Loans to subsidiaries of S\$164,538,000 (2022: S\$163,135,000) are non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at 2.52% to 4.65% per annum and not expected to be repayable in the next twelve months. The fair value of the loans is S\$160,561,000 (2022: S\$157,631,000). The fair value of the loans is computed based on cash flows discounted at the difference between market and existing borrowing rates of 2.992% to 3.777% (2022: 1.501% to 2.088%). The fair value is within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The Claimant Loan is unsecured, interest bearing at 1.7% to 5.2% per annum (2022: 1.1% to 1.5% per annum). The carrying amount of the loan approximates its fair value. Management is of the view that the loan is recoverable and the settlement of the loan is not foreseeable within the next twelve months.

20(a). STAFF LOANS

	Group and Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Not later than one year (Note 16)	2	8
Later than one year (Note 20)	135	135
– Between one and five years	1	1
– Later than five years	134	134
	137	143

As at the end of the reporting period, no loan was made to the key management personnel of the Group.

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21. INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATED COMPANIES AND JOINT VENTURES

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Investments in associated companies (Note (a))	31,939	34,072	21,891	21,891
Investment in joint ventures (Note (b))	10	–	–	–
	31,949	34,072	21,891	21,891

(a) *Associated companies*

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Equity investment at cost			21,891	21,891
Beginning of financial year	34,072	97,469		
Reclassification to assets held for sale (Note 19)	–	(1,341)		
Deemed disposal of an associated company	–	(59,983)		
Impairment of associated companies (Note (i), 9)	–	(2,700)		
Share of profit	23	4,847		
Dividends received	–	(1,796)		
Currency translation differences	(2,156)	(2,424)		
End of financial year	31,939	34,072		

- (i) During the preceding financial year ended 31 March 2022 the Group recognised impairment losses of S\$2,700,000 against the carrying amount of its investments in associated companies, being the difference between the carrying amount of the Group's investments and their recoverable amounts. The recoverable amounts are determined based on value-in-use or quoted market price of the associated companies.

The Group's investments in associated companies include investments in listed associated companies with a carrying value of S\$27,845,000 (2022: S\$30,627,000), for which the published price quotations are S\$49,755,000 (2022: S\$57,713,000) at the end of the reporting period, and classified within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

There are no contingent liabilities relating to the Group's interest in the associated companies.

Details of associated companies are disclosed in Note 44.

(b) *Joint ventures*

Details of joint ventures are disclosed in Note 44.

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22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES

	Company	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<i>Equity investments at cost</i>		
Beginning of financial year	379,367	371,455
Additional capital injection into a subsidiary	–	45,540
Investment written off	(268)	(37,628)
	379,099	379,367
Less: Allowance for impairment	(17,786)	(18,054)
End of financial year	361,313	361,313

Details of the subsidiaries are included in Note 44. The proportion of ownership interest held by the Group does not differ from the proportion of voting rights held by the Group.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the Company has written off allowance for impairment amounting to S\$268,000 (2022: S\$37,628,000) against the cost of investment in a subsidiary.

Impairment of S\$6,624,000 primarily from a subsidiary which is the holding company of General Storage Company Pte Ltd (Note 41) and various property holding companies, was recognised during the financial year ended 31 March 2022. No further impairment was recognised during the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

Carrying value of non-controlling interests

	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Quantum Solutions International Pte Ltd ("QSI")	36,792	38,276
Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd ("FMH")	8,744	31,097
Other subsidiaries with immaterial non-controlling interests	5,893	6,707
	51,429	76,080
Less: Put option liability to acquire non-controlling interests	(58,819)	(241,385)
Total	(7,390)	(165,305)

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22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Summarised financial information of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests

Set out below is the summarised financial information for a subsidiary that has a non-controlling interest that is material to the Group. These are presented before inter-company eliminations.

Summarised statement of financial position

	2023	QSI 2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Current		
Assets	46,088	43,132
Liabilities	(42,027)	(30,939)
Total current net assets	<u>4,061</u>	<u>12,193</u>
Non-current		
Assets	106,676	103,355
Liabilities	(2,525)	(2,971)
Total non-current net assets	<u>104,151</u>	<u>100,384</u>
Net assets	<u>108,212</u>	<u>112,577</u>

Summarised income statement

	2023	QSI 2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Revenue	89,075	102,360
Loss before income tax	(17,941)	(7,908)
Income tax expense	(234)	(546)
Post-tax loss	<u>(18,175)</u>	<u>(8,454)</u>
Other comprehensive income / (loss)	<u>13,810</u>	<u>(5,132)</u>
Total comprehensive loss	<u>(4,365)</u>	<u>(13,586)</u>
Total comprehensive loss allocated to non-controlling interests	<u>(1,484)</u>	<u>(4,620)</u>

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22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Summarised financial information of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests (continued)

Summarised cash flows

	QSI	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<i>Cash flows from operating activities</i>		
Cash generated from operations	7,562	2,757
Income tax paid	(453)	(321)
Net cash provided by operating activities	7,109	2,436
Net cash used in investing activities	(67)	(2,334)
Net cash used in financing activities	(5,891)	(2,806)
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	1,151	(2,704)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	14,567	17,271
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	15,718	14,567

Summarised statement of financial position

	FMH	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Current		
Assets	95,964	88,955
Liabilities	(83,967)	(119,762)
Total current net assets / (liabilities)	11,997	(30,807)
Non-current		
Assets	132,036	125,212
Liabilities	(71,163)	(30,942)
Total non-current net assets	60,873	94,270
Net assets	72,870	63,463

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22. INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

Summarised financial information of subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests (continued)

Summarised income statement

	FMH	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Revenue	595,301	178,662
Profit before income tax	46,613	11,523
Income tax expense	(13,158)	(4,158)
Post-tax profit	33,455	7,365
Other comprehensive (loss) / income	(2,603)	1,680
Total comprehensive income	30,852	9,045
Total comprehensive income allocated to non-controlling interests	15,117	4,432
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests	6,577	–

Summarised cash flows

	FMH	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<u>Cash flows from operating activities</u>		
Cash generated from operations	38,485	13,512
Income tax paid	(15,237)	(6,304)
Net cash provided by operating activities	23,248	7,208
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,859)	(7,846)
Net cash provided by financing activities	6,213	745
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	20,602	107
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	107	–
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	20,709	107

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Beginning of financial year	956,610	1,010,804	945,274	956,362
Additions	–	70	–	70
Reclassification from / (to) property, plant and equipment (net) (Note 24)	1,353	(3,172)	52	(12,417)
Reclassification from right-of-use (Note 25)	157	950	–	–
Reclassification to held for sale (Note 19)	(10,914)	–	(10,914)	–
Loss of control of a subsidiary (Note 41)	–	(53,321)	–	–
Fair value gain recognised in profit or loss (Note 9)	18,565	1,279	18,621	1,259
End of financial year	965,771	956,610	953,033	945,274

As at 31 March 2023, the right-of-use asset presented as investment properties has carrying amount of S\$2.4 million (2022: S\$2.3 million).

The following amounts are recognised in profit or loss:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Rental and property-related income	59,440	61,139	58,314	55,964
Direct operating expenses arising from:				
– Investment properties that generated income	(15,184)	(15,416)	(14,201)	(13,409)

Investment properties are leased to non-related parties under operating leases (Note 36(c)).

At the end of the reporting period, the details of the Group's investment properties are as follows:

Location	Description / existing use	Tenure
10 Eunos Road 8, Singapore Post Centre	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 30 August 2081
110 Alexandra Road ⁽¹⁾	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
10 Choa Chu Kang Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
373 Tanjong Katong Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

Location	Description / existing use	Tenure
1 Killiney Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
396 Pasir Panjang Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
10 Palm Avenue	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
350 Bedok Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
56 Tanglin Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
755 Upper Serangoon Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
5 Mandai Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
21 Ghim Moh Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 82 years expiring on 1 April 2076
447 Geylang Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
1 Lim Ah Pin Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
70 Macpherson Road	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
54 Serangoon Garden Way	Building for commercial and retail.	Leasehold of 99 years expiring on 31 March 2091
3B Toh Guan Road East	Building for warehousing.	Leasehold of 30 + 30 years expiring on 31 August 2049
29 Tampines Street 92	Building for warehousing.	Leasehold of 30 + 30 years expiring on 1 January 2052

⁽¹⁾ Reclassified to held for sale (Note 19) as at 31 March 2023.

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

	Fair value measurements using		
	Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets (Level 1) S\$'000	Significant other observable inputs (Level 2) S\$'000	Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) S\$'000
2023			
– Commercial and retail / warehousing			
– Singapore	–	2,484	963,287
2022			
– Commercial and retail / warehousing			
– Singapore	–	2,484	954,126

Valuation techniques used to derive Level 2 fair values

Level 2 fair values of the Group's properties have been derived using the sales comparison approach. Sales proceeds of comparable properties in close proximity are adjusted for differences in key attributes such as property size and timing of sale. The most significant input in this valuation approach is the selling price per square metre.

Valuation techniques used to derive Level 3 fair values

Level 3 fair values have been generally derived using capitalisation/income approach, discounted cash flow approach, sales comparison approach and cost approach.

In the capitalisation/income approach, the net income of the property is capitalised for the balance term of the lease tenure at a yield rate which is appropriate for the type of use, tenure and reflective of the quality of the investment. The revenue is adjusted for outgoings such as property tax and also vacancies to arrive at net income.

The discounted cash flow approach involved the estimation and projection of the net rent over a period and discounting the future income stream to arrive at a present value. Net rent is the balance sum after deducting property tax, cost of repairs and maintenance and a reasonable percentage for vacancy from the gross rent.

The cost approach involves the summation of the land and building values. The land value is determined by comparison with similar lands that had been sold recently and those that are currently for sale, with appropriate adjustments made to reflect improvements and other dissimilarities. The building value is determined by estimating the cost of constructing similar properties and deducting depreciation.

There were no transfers in or out of fair value hierarchy levels for the financial years ended 31 March 2023 and 2022.

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

Valuation techniques and inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements

The following table presents the valuation techniques and key inputs that were used to determine the fair value of investment properties categorised under Level 3:

Description	Fair value (S\$'000) 2023	Valuation techniques	Unobservable inputs	Range of unobservable inputs 2023	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value
<u>Group</u>					
Building for commercial and retail (Singapore Post Centre)	850,170 (2022: 831,754)	Capitalisation / income approach	Capitalisation rate	3.75-6.00% (2022: 3.75- 6.00%)	The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the valuation
		Discounted cash flow approach	Discount rate	7.00-7.50% (2022: 7.00- 7.50%)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation
Building for commercial and retail (13 (2022: 14) SLA Properties)	94,544 (2022: 105,279)	Capitalisation / income approach	Capitalisation rate	4.25-4.75% (2022: 4.25- 4.75%)	The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the valuation
		Discounted cash flow approach	Discount rate	7.25-7.50% (2022: 7.25- 7.50%)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation
Warehousing – Singapore	18,573 (2022: 17,093)	Capitalisation / income approach	Capitalisation rate	6.25-6.50% (2022: 6.25- 6.50%)	The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the valuation
		Discounted cash flow approach	Discount rate	7.50-7.75% (2022: 7.50- 7.75%)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation
	963,287				

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23. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

Valuation techniques and inputs used in Level 3 fair value measurements (continued)

Description	Fair value (S\$'000) 2023	Valuation techniques	Unobservable inputs	Range of unobservable inputs 2023	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value
<u>Company</u>					
Building for commercial and retail (Singapore Post Centre)	856,005 (2022: 837,511)	Capitalisation / income approach	Capitalisation rate	3.75-6.00% (2022: 3.75- 6.00%)	The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the valuation
		Discounted cash flow approach	Discount rate	7.00-7.50% (2022: 7.00- 7.50%)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation
Building for commercial and retail (13 (2022: 14) SLA Properties)	94,544 (2022: 105,279)	Capitalisation / income approach	Capitalisation rate	4.25-4.75% (2022: 4.25- 4.75%)	The higher the capitalisation rate, the lower the valuation
		Discounted cash flow approach	Discount rate	7.25-7.50% (2022: 7.25- 7.50%)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation
	950,549				

The Group engages external, independent and qualified valuers to determine the fair value of the Group's properties at the end of every financial year based on the properties' highest and best use. As at 31 March 2023 and 2022, the fair values of the Group's investment properties have been determined by Colliers International Consultancy & Valuation (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Leasehold land S\$'000	Buildings S\$'000	Postal equipment S\$'000	Plant and machinery S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Capital work-in- progress S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>							
2023							
<i>Cost</i>							
Beginning of financial year	82,011	377,065	48,112	192,248	50,205	8,381	758,022
Additions	–	–	–	11,365	7,550	5,096	24,011
Reclassification to asset held for sale (Note 19)	(540)	(454)	–	–	–	–	(994)
Reclassifications from / (to) investment properties							
– At fair value (Note 23)	745	(2,098)	–	–	–	–	(1,353)
– Transfer from valuation reserve (Note 32(v))	–	298	–	–	–	–	298
Write off	–	–	–	(2,224)	–	(2,574) ⁽¹⁾	(4,798)
Disposals	–	–	(114)	(13,328)	(2,455)	–	(15,897)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	–	–	–	984	2,362	366	3,712
Transfers	–	788	48	3,669	–	(4,505)	–
Currency translation differences	–	–	–	(8,982)	(7,003)	(8)	(15,993)
End of financial year	82,216	375,599	48,046	183,732	50,659	6,756	747,008
<i>Accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses</i>							
Beginning of financial year	27,972	149,851	28,536	118,526	20,683	–	345,568
Depreciation charge	1,635	8,198	4,583	20,145	6,409	–	40,970
Write off	–	–	–	(2,195)	–	–	(2,195)
Disposals	–	–	(81)	(12,648)	(2,220)	–	(14,949)
Reclassification to asset held for sale (Note 19)	(134)	(74)	–	–	–	–	(208)
Impairment	–	–	–	–	–	425	425
Currency translation differences	–	–	–	(4,806)	(4,725)	–	(9,531)
End of financial year	29,473	157,975	33,038	119,022	20,147	425	360,080
<i>Net book value</i>							
End of financial year	52,743	217,624	15,008	64,710	30,512	6,331	386,928

⁽¹⁾ The balance comprises S\$1.0 million and S\$1.6 million which are presented as part of 'impairment charge of property, plant and equipment' and 'restructuring of operations' respectively in Note 9 to the Financial Statements.

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

	Leasehold land S\$'000	Buildings S\$'000	Postal equipment S\$'000	Plant and machinery S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Capital work-in- progress S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>							
2022							
<i>Cost</i>							
Beginning of financial year	79,890	368,890	46,712	189,561	30,447	11,252	726,752
Additions	–	–	36	8,616	5,602	8,199	22,453
Reclassifications (to) / from investment properties							
– At fair value (Note 23)	(2,646)	5,818	–	–	–	–	3,172
– Transfer from valuation reserve (Note 32(v))	4,767	1,649	–	–	–	–	6,416
Disposals	–	(401)	–	(7,336)	(2,242)	–	(9,979)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	–	–	–	16,309	16,088	–	32,397
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	–	–	–	(22,782)	–	(252)	(23,034)
Transfers	–	1,109	1,364	8,351	(6)	(10,818)	–
Currency translation differences	–	–	–	(471)	316	–	(155)
End of financial year	82,011	377,065	48,112	192,248	50,205	8,381	758,022
<i>Accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses</i>							
Beginning of financial year	26,336	142,536	23,786	110,735	17,911	–	321,304
Depreciation charge	1,636	8,118	4,750	20,689	4,970	–	40,163
Disposals	–	(84)	–	(6,710)	(2,163)	–	(8,957)
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	–	–	–	(10,665)	–	–	(10,665)
Impairment	–	(719)	–	5,093	–	–	4,374
Currency translation differences	–	–	–	(616)	(35)	–	(651)
End of financial year	27,972	149,851	28,536	118,526	20,683	–	345,568
<i>Net book value</i>							
End of financial year	54,039	227,214	19,576	73,722	29,522	8,381	412,454

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

	Leasehold land S\$'000	Buildings S\$'000	Postal equipment S\$'000	Plant and machinery S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Capital work-in- progress S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<i>Company</i>							
2023							
<i>Cost</i>							
Beginning of financial year	61,929	227,461	64,648	156,949	25,463	1,382	537,832
Additions	–	–	–	742	3,580	4,428	8,750
Reclassifications from / (to)							
investment properties							
– At fair value (Note 23)	745	(797)	–	–	–	–	(52)
Reclassification to asset							
held for sale (Note 19)	(540)	(454)	–	–	–	–	(994)
Disposals	–	–	(114)	(11,279)	(1,687)	–	(13,080)
Transfers	–	381	48	3,669	–	(4,098)	–
End of financial year	62,134	226,591	64,582	150,081	27,356	1,712	532,456
<i>Accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses</i>							
Beginning of financial year	21,825	100,578	28,536	123,430	17,645	–	292,014
Reclassification to asset							
held for sale (Note 19)	(134)	(74)	–	–	–	–	(208)
Depreciation charge	803	3,586	4,583	11,448	2,723	–	23,143
Disposals	–	–	(81)	(11,039)	(1,539)	–	(12,659)
Impairment	–	–	–	–	–	425	425
End of financial year	22,494	104,090	33,038	123,839	18,829	425	302,715
<i>Net book value</i>							
End of financial year	39,640	122,501	31,544	26,242	8,527	1,287	229,741

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24. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

	Leasehold land S\$'000	Buildings S\$'000	Postal equipment S\$'000	Plant and machinery S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Capital work-in- progress S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<i>Company</i>							
2022							
<i>Cost</i>							
Beginning of financial year	59,250	211,992	63,248	151,168	26,807	6,390	518,855
Additions	–	–	36	179	739	5,377	6,331
Reclassifications (to) / from investment properties							
– At fair value (Note 23)	(2,088)	14,505	–	–	–	–	12,417
– Transfer from valuation reserve (Note 32(v))	4,767	285	–	–	–	–	5,052
Disposals	–	–	–	(2,746)	(2,077)	–	(4,823)
Transfers	–	679	1,364	8,348	(6)	(10,385)	–
End of financial year	61,929	227,461	64,648	156,949	25,463	1,382	537,832
<i>Accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses</i>							
Beginning of financial year	21,020	97,720	23,786	107,455	16,921	–	266,902
Depreciation charge	805	3,577	4,750	13,230	2,782	–	25,144
Disposals	–	–	–	(2,348)	(2,058)	–	(4,406)
Impairment	–	(719)	–	5,093	–	–	4,374
End of financial year	21,825	100,578	28,536	123,430	17,645	–	292,014
<i>Net book value</i>							
End of financial year	40,104	126,883	36,112	33,519	7,818	1,382	245,818

The Group has recognised impairment loss in the current financial year amounting to S\$1,441,000 (2022: S\$4,374,000) mainly attributable to systems and platform costs that are no longer in use

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25. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

	Properties S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Equipment S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>				
2023				
<i>Cost</i>				
Beginning of financial year	112,032	2,490	1,604	116,126
Additions	38,070	784	224	39,078
Reclassifications to investment properties				
– At fair value (Note 23)	(157)	–	–	(157)
Disposals	(4,673)	(884)	(353)	(5,910)
Currency translation differences	(14,930)	(239)	(112)	(15,281)
End of financial year	130,342	2,151	1,363	133,856
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>				
Beginning of financial year	41,999	1,600	1,261	44,860
Depreciation charge	32,695	856	408	33,959
Disposals	(4,655)	(883)	(347)	(5,885)
Currency translation differences	(10,549)	(86)	(8)	(10,643)
End of financial year	59,490	1,487	1,314	62,291
<i>Net book value</i>				
End of financial year	70,852	664	49	71,565
2022				
<i>Cost</i>				
Beginning of financial year	139,854	3,193	2,281	145,328
Additions	29,543	365	345	30,253
Reclassifications to investment properties				
– At fair value (Note 23)	(950)	–	–	(950)
– Transfer to valuation reserve (Note 32(v))	(4)	–	–	(4)
Disposals	(31,467)	(1,021)	(932)	(33,420)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	24,640	–	–	24,640
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	(49,271)	–	(26)	(49,297)
Currency translation differences	(313)	(47)	(64)	(424)
End of financial year	112,032	2,490	1,604	116,126
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>				
Beginning of financial year	72,224	1,682	1,259	75,165
Depreciation charge	29,409	970	734	31,113
Disposals	(30,475)	(993)	(695)	(32,163)
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	(28,363)	–	(12)	(28,375)
Currency translation differences	(796)	(59)	(25)	(880)
End of financial year	41,999	1,600	1,261	44,860
<i>Net book value</i>				
End of financial year	70,033	890	343	71,266

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25. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (continued)

	Properties S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Equipment S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<i>Company</i>				
2023				
<i>Cost</i>				
Beginning of financial year	30,877	1,544	363	32,784
Additions	29,879	–	28	29,907
Disposals	(2,513)	(718)	(47)	(3,278)
End of financial year	58,243	826	344	59,413
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>				
Beginning of financial year	11,937	1,076	124	13,137
Depreciation charge	10,776	357	162	11,295
Disposals	(2,513)	(718)	(47)	(3,278)
End of financial year	20,200	715	239	21,154
<i>Net book value</i>				
End of financial year	38,043	111	105	38,259
2022				
<i>Cost</i>				
Beginning of financial year	41,242	2,134	376	43,752
Additions	12,663	238	345	13,246
Disposals	(23,028)	(828)	(358)	(24,214)
End of financial year	30,877	1,544	363	32,784
<i>Accumulated depreciation</i>				
Beginning of financial year	20,436	1,207	293	21,936
Depreciation charge	14,510	697	188	15,395
Disposals	(23,009)	(828)	(357)	(24,194)
End of financial year	11,937	1,076	124	13,137
<i>Net book value</i>				
End of financial year	18,940	468	239	19,647

The Group and Company leases several properties, motor vehicles and equipment.

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25. RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS (continued)

In addition, certain right-of-use assets are secured by the Group and Company with no future payments required and are presented within property, plant and equipment (Note 24). The carrying amounts of such assets are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	Carrying amount S\$'000	Depreciation during the year S\$'000	Carrying amount S\$'000	Depreciation during the year S\$'000
2023				
Leasehold land	52,744	1,635	39,641	803
Plant and machinery	4,005	193	89	12
Total	56,749	1,828	39,730	815
2022				
Leasehold land	54,039	1,636	40,104	805
Plant and machinery	4,197	193	101	12
Total	58,236	1,829	40,205	817

There is no addition to the above right-of-use assets for the years ended 31 March 2023 and 2022.

26. INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<i>Composition:</i>		
Goodwill on acquisitions (Note (a))	415,659	430,120
Customer relationships (Note (b))	21,258	28,357
Acquired software licences (Note (c))	15,309	15,028
Trademarked brands (Note (d))	48,732	55,936
	500,958	529,441

(a) *Goodwill on acquisitions*

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<i>Cost</i>		
Beginning of financial year	450,720	291,503
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	16,287	184,202
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	–	(28,336)
Currency translation differences	(30,748)	3,351
End of financial year	436,259	450,720
<i>Accumulated impairment</i>		
Beginning and end of financial year	(20,600)	(20,600)
Net book value	415,659	430,120

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26. INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

(a) *Goodwill on acquisitions* (continued)

Impairment tests for goodwill

During the year, goodwill arising from acquisition of subsidiaries is allocated to the Group's five (2022: four) cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units as follows:

	2023	Group 2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Quantium Solutions International group	77,858	77,858
Parcel Santa Pte Ltd	3,268	–
Famous Holdings group	86,482	88,305
Couriers Please Holdings group	65,452	74,595
Freight Management Holdings group	182,599	189,362
	415,659	430,120

The recoverable amounts of the CGUs are determined based on value-in-use calculations using cash flow projections based on financial budgets covering a five-year period (2022: five-year period). Cash flows beyond the five-year period were extrapolated using the estimated growth rates stated below.

Key assumptions used for value-in-use calculations for goodwill include:

	Quantium Solutions International Group	Freight Management Holdings Group	Famous Holdings Group	Couriers Please Holdings Group	Parcel Santa Pte Ltd
2023					
Terminal growth rate	2.4%	2.3%	1.4%	2.3%	2.5%
Discount rate	10.6%	9.6%	10.2%	9.4%	9.8%
2022					
Terminal growth rate	2.3%	2.6%	1.4%	2.6%	–
Discount rate	7.9%	6.0%	7.7%	7.1%	–

For the impairment test carried out as at 31 March 2023 for Freight Management Holdings Group which comprised 44% of the goodwill recognised on the statement of financial position, a further decrease in the terminal growth rate to 0.6% or an increase in the discount rate by 0.9% would result in the Group's recoverable amount being equal to its carrying amount (comprising goodwill and other intangible assets including trademarked brand with indefinite useful life (Note 26(d))).

For the remaining CGUs, management believes that any reasonably possible change in the key assumptions on which the recoverable amounts of the CGUs were based would not cause the aggregate carrying amount to exceed the aggregate recoverable amount of the related group of CGUs as at 31 March 2023.

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26. INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

(b) *Customer relationships*

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<i>Cost</i>		
Beginning of financial year	29,892	–
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	981	29,106
Currency translation differences	(3,222)	786
End of financial year	<u>27,651</u>	<u>29,892</u>
<i>Accumulated amortisation and impairment</i>		
Beginning of financial year	(1,535)	–
Amortisation charge	(4,858)	(1,535)
End of financial year	<u>(6,393)</u>	<u>(1,535)</u>
Net book value	<u>21,258</u>	<u>28,357</u>

(c) *Acquired software licences*

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<i>Cost</i>		
Beginning of financial year	16,191	51
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	193	13,419
Additions	4,441	2,404
Write-off	–	(51)
Currency translation differences	(2,026)	368
End of financial year	<u>18,799</u>	<u>16,191</u>
<i>Accumulated amortisation and impairment</i>		
Beginning of financial year	(1,163)	(51)
Write-off	–	51
Amortisation charge	(2,327)	(1,163)
End of financial year	<u>(3,490)</u>	<u>(1,163)</u>
Net book value	<u>15,309</u>	<u>15,028</u>

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26. INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

(d) *Trademarked brands*

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
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<i>Cost</i>		
Beginning of financial year	56,082	40,964
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	84	15,095
Currency translation differences	(6,832)	23
End of financial year	<u>49,334</u>	<u>56,082</u>
 <i>Accumulated amortisation and impairment</i>		
Beginning of financial year	(146)	–
Amortisation charge	(456)	(146)
End of financial year	<u>(602)</u>	<u>(146)</u>
 Net book value	 <u>48,732</u>	 <u>55,936</u>

Trademarked brands amounting to S\$35,596,000 (2022: S\$40,568,000) and S\$11,568,700 (2022: S\$13,185,000) have indefinite useful lives and are included in the Couriers Please Holdings group and Freight Management Holdings group respectively.

Key assumptions used for value-in-use calculations for the trademarked brands with indefinite useful lives are disclosed in Note 26(a).

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27. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Current</u>				
Trade payables				
– Subsidiaries	–	–	22,422	15,384
– Companies related by a substantial shareholder	268	363	210	352
– Non-related parties	371,023	371,006	289,950	279,718
	371,291	371,369	312,582	295,454
Accrual for other operating expenses	91,351	107,545	57,907	52,564
Contingent consideration payable (Note (a))	28,608	6,272	–	–
Provision for restructuring (Note (b))	379	379	–	–
Provision for reinstatement costs (Note (c))	1,146	1,193	414	472
Put option redemption liabilities (Note (e))	66,164	117,647	–	–
Customers' deposits	5,342	6,852	5,342	6,852
Collections on behalf of third parties	14,215	4,796	14,215	4,796
Deposits	16,058	14,133	15,291	13,268
Other creditors	37,985	37,314	10,335	18,946
	632,539	667,500	416,086	392,352
<u>Non-current</u>				
Loans from a subsidiary (Note (d))	–	–	602,683	353,058
Accrual for operating expenses	3,892	4,310	–	–
Contingent consideration payable (Note (a))	–	1,699	–	–
Provision for reinstatement costs (Note (c))	9,229	9,265	1,882	1,890
Put option redemption liabilities (Note (e))	6,663	131,568	–	–
Post-employment benefits (Note 35)	1,832	1,725	–	–
	21,616	148,567	604,565	354,948
Total trade and other payables	654,155	816,067	1,020,651	747,300

(a) Contingent consideration payable

As at 31 March 2023, the fair value of contingent consideration payable arising from the acquisition of subsidiaries amounted to S\$28,608,000 (2022: S\$7,971,000). Refer to Note 40 for further details.

(b) Provision for restructuring

Restructuring provision comprises mainly of lease termination penalties and employee termination payments from overseas subsidiaries.

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27. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES (continued)

(c) Provision for reinstatement costs

A provision is recognised for the present value of costs to be incurred for the restoration of the Group's investment properties and property, plant and equipment.

Movement in this provision is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Beginning of financial year	10,458	11,514	2,362	2,617
Loss of control of subsidiaries	–	(2,224)	–	–
Acquisition of subsidiaries	–	122	–	–
(Utilisation) / Additions	(83)	1,046	(66)	(255)
End of financial year	10,375	10,458	2,296	2,362

(d) Loans from a subsidiary

Loans from a subsidiary comprise:

- (i) S\$250,000,000 (2022: S\$250,000,000) which is non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at 2.83% (2022: 2.83%) per annum and repayable by 19 November 2030;
- (ii) S\$2,683,000 (2022: S\$3,058,000) which is non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at 3.77% (2022: 2.29%) per annum and repayable by 28 March 2026; and
- (iii) S\$100,000,000 (2022: S\$100,000,000) which is non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at 3.53% (2022: 3.53%) per annum and repayable by 29 March 2027.
- (iv) S\$250,000,000 (2022: S\$Nil) which is non-trade related, unsecured, interest bearing at 4.65% per annum and repayable by 6 July 2027.

The fair value of the loans computed based on cash flows discounted at the difference between market and existing borrowing rates of 2.95% to 2.99% (2022: 2.39% to 2.41%) is S\$512,756,000 (2022: S\$295,449,000). The fair value is within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

(e) Put option redemption liabilities

- (i) A put option was granted to the non-controlling shareholders of FPS Rotterdam to sell the remaining 15% interest to the Group, which is exercisable at any time after 31 March 2025. The put option redemption liability is recorded at fair value as at 31 March 2023 and 2022. Details of the valuation technique and inputs used are disclosed in Note 37(f).
- (ii) A put option was granted to the non-controlling shareholders of Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd to sell their remaining interest to the Group, which is exercisable from 1 July 2023 (2022: 30 June 2022 to 30 December 2026). The Group and the non-controlling shareholders agreed to certain modifications to the put option during the current financial year. The put option redemption liability is recorded at fair value as at 31 March 2023 and 2022. Details of the valuation technique and inputs used are disclosed in Note 37(f).

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28. LEASE LIABILITIES / BORROWINGS

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
(a) Lease liabilities				
– Current	32,152	29,833	12,257	8,288
– Non-current	47,575	53,612	26,859	12,115
	79,727	83,445	39,116	20,403
(b) Borrowings ⁽¹⁾				
– Other borrowings	624,390	517,008	–	50,000

⁽¹⁾ The analysis of the current and non-current borrowings is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Current</u>				
– Borrowings (secured)	1,370	27,527	–	–
– Borrowings (unsecured)	–	50,000	–	50,000
	1,370	77,527	–	50,000
<u>Non-current</u>				
– Borrowings (secured)	39,809	–	–	–
– Borrowings (unsecured)	583,211	439,481	–	–
	623,020	439,481	–	–
	624,390	517,008	–	50,000

Secured borrowings comprise external bank loans and are secured over trade receivables with carrying amount of S\$75.5 million (2022: S\$64.8 million), or property, plant and equipment with carrying amount of S\$36.2 million (2022: S\$36.4 million) at the end of the reporting period.

As at 31 March 2023, the Group's unsecured borrowings consist of S\$250 million 10-year Notes, S\$100 million 5-year Notes and A\$264.4 million (S\$235.2 million) 5-year term loan facilities.

As at 31 March 2022, the Group's unsecured borrowings consist of S\$250 million 10-year Notes, S\$100 million 5-year Notes, A\$89.4 million (S\$90.6 million) 5-year term loan facility and short-term loan of S\$50.0 million.

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28. LEASE LIABILITIES / BORROWINGS (continued)

Fair value of non-current borrowings

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>Non-current</u>				
– Borrowings (secured)	39,809	–	–	–
– Borrowings (unsecured)	551,912	423,988	–	–
	591,721	423,988	–	–

The fair value of the Notes above are determined based on the over-the-counter quoted price. The fair value of external bank loans are computed based on cash flows discounted at market borrowing rates. The fair value is classified within Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The exposure of non-current borrowings to interest rate risks is disclosed in Note 37(a)(ii).

Reconciliation of liabilities arising from financing activities

The table below details changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities, including both cash and non-cash changes. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows as cash flows from financing activities.

	1 April 2022 S\$'000	Financing cash flows ⁽ⁱ⁾ S\$'000	Non-cash changes				31 March 2023 S\$'000
			Acquisition of subsidiaries S\$'000	Loss of control of subsidiaries S\$'000	Foreign exchange movement S\$'000	Other changes ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ S\$'000	
Borrowings	517,008	110,936	–	–	(20,512)	16,958	624,390
Lease liabilities	83,445	(25,532)	–	–	3,183	18,631	79,727
	600,453	85,404	–	–	(17,329)	35,589	704,117

	1 April 2021 S\$'000	Financing cash flows ⁽ⁱ⁾ S\$'000	Non-cash changes				31 March 2022 S\$'000
			Acquisition of subsidiaries S\$'000	Loss of control of subsidiaries S\$'000	Foreign exchange movement S\$'000	Other changes ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ S\$'000	
Borrowings	322,312	172,046	17,911	(5,963)	1,073	9,629	517,008
Lease liabilities	83,845	(35,884)	27,650	(26,638)	923	33,549	83,445
	406,157	136,162	45,561	(32,601)	1,996	43,178	600,453

⁽ⁱ⁾ The cash flows consist of interest paid, net amount of proceeds from borrowings and repayments of borrowings in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ Other changes include interest accruals, as well as additions and disposals of right-of-use assets.

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29. CONTRACT LIABILITIES

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Advances received for post assurance collaboration (Note (a))	15,394	23,319	15,394	23,319
Advance billings (Note (b))	21,820	21,472	18,324	15,672
	37,214	44,791	33,718	38,991
Analysed as:				
Current	30,037	29,397	26,541	23,597
Non-current	7,177	15,394	7,177	15,394
	37,214	44,791	33,718	38,991

(a) Arises from definitive agreements with respect to the post assurance collaboration with HSBC Life (Singapore) Pte Ltd ("HSBC Life") (formerly known as AXA Life Insurance Singapore Private Limited) which is recognised in profit or loss over the period of 10 years till 19 January 2025.

(b) Mainly relates to advance billings to customers and unearned revenue from paid postage.

As at 1 April 2021, contract liabilities amounted to S\$58.1 million.

The change in contract liabilities during the reporting period is due to recognition of advance billings and advances from HSBC Life to profit or loss.

30. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES

Deferred income tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes relate to the same tax authority. The amounts, determined after appropriate offsetting, are shown on the statements of financial position as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Deferred income tax assets	7,361	8,657	–	–
Deferred income tax liabilities	44,214	48,816	22,521	22,478

Movement in the deferred income tax account is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Beginning of financial year	40,159	32,617	22,478	21,971
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	214	8,682	–	–
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	–	(1,879)	–	–
Tax (credited) / charged to profit or loss (Note 12)	(1,907)	462	43	507
Currency translation differences	(1,613)	277	–	–
End of financial year	36,853	40,159	22,521	22,478

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30. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

Deferred income tax assets are recognised for tax losses and capital allowances carried forward to the extent that realisation of the related tax benefits through future taxable profits is probable. The Group has unrecognised tax losses and capital allowance of S\$139,796,000 (2022: S\$133,821,000) at the end of the reporting period which can be carried forward and used to offset against future taxable income subject to meeting certain statutory requirements by those companies with unrecognised tax losses and capital allowances in their respective countries of incorporation. The tax losses and capital allowances have no expiry dates.

Deferred income tax liabilities

The movement in deferred income tax assets and liabilities (prior to offsetting of balances within the same tax jurisdiction) is as follows:

Group

Deferred income tax liabilities

	Accelerated tax depreciation S\$'000	Others S\$'000	Total S\$'000
2023			
Beginning of financial year	24,056	25,173	49,229
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	–	214	214
Credited to profit or loss	(1,195)	(1,293)	(2,488)
Currency translation differences	(28)	(2,284)	(2,312)
End of financial year	22,833	21,810	44,643
2022			
Beginning of financial year	25,149	12,152	37,301
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	–	13,768	13,768
Loss of control of subsidiary (Note 41)	(789)	(1,090)	(1,879)
(Credited) / charged to profit or loss	(326)	83	(243)
Currency translation differences	22	260	282
End of financial year	24,056	25,173	49,229

Deferred income tax assets

	Provisions S\$'000	Tax losses S\$'000	Total S\$'000
2023			
Beginning of financial year	(6,580)	(2,490)	(9,070)
Charged to profit or loss	581	–	581
Currency translation difference	180	519	699
End of financial year	(5,819)	(1,971)	(7,790)
2022			
Beginning of financial year	(2,088)	(2,596)	(4,684)
Acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 40)	(5,086)	–	(5,086)
Charged to profit or loss	646	59	705
Currency translation difference	(52)	47	(5)
End of financial year	(6,580)	(2,490)	(9,070)

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30. DEFERRED INCOME TAXES (continued)

Company

Deferred income tax liabilities

	Accelerated tax depreciation S\$'000	Others S\$'000	Total S\$'000
2023			
Beginning of financial year	21,973	921	22,894
(Credited) / charged to profit or loss	(1,181)	1,119	(62)
End of financial year	20,792	2,040	22,832
2022			
Beginning of financial year	22,427	(17)	22,410
(Credited) / charged to profit or loss	(454)	938	484
End of financial year	21,973	921	22,894

Deferred income tax assets

	Provisions S\$'000
2023	
Beginning of financial year	(416)
Charged to profit or loss	105
End of financial year	(311)
2022	
Beginning of financial year	(439)
Charged to profit or loss	23
End of financial year	(416)

31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES

	Number of ordinary shares		Amount	
	Issued share capital '000	Treasury shares '000	Share capital S\$'000	Treasury Shares S\$'000
<u>Group and Company</u>				
As at 1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022	2,275,089	(25,512)	638,762	(29,724)
Issuance of shares	–	162	–	208
As at 31 March 2023	2,275,089	(25,350)	638,762	(29,516)

All issued ordinary shares are fully paid. There is no par value for these ordinary shares.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(a) Treasury shares

During the financial years ended 31 March 2023, 162,000 treasury shares (2022: Nil) amounting to S\$208,000 were reissued.

(b) Share options

The Singapore Post Share Option Scheme was adopted on 21 March 2003, and a new scheme, known as Singapore Post Share Option Scheme 2012 was adopted on 29 June 2012; collectively known as the "Scheme". The Scheme is administered by the Compensation Committee comprising Mr Bob Tan Beng Hai (Chairman), Mr Simon Claude Israel and Mrs Fang Ai Lian during the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

Employees (including executive directors), subject to certain conditions, are eligible to participate in the Scheme. The Scheme provides a means to recruit, retain and give recognition to employees who have contributed to the success and development of the Company and / or the Group.

The principal terms of the Scheme are as follows:

- The exercise price of the granted options is equal to the average of the last dealt prices for the share on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") for the five (5) consecutive trading days immediately preceding the date of grant of that option.
- The value of the share option is determined using the Trinomial option pricing model (taking into account relevant assumptions).
- Granted options shall be exercisable, in whole or in part, during the exercise period applicable to that option and in accordance with the vesting schedule applicable to that option or other conditions (if any) that may be imposed by the Compensation Committee in relation to that option. Options may be exercised, in whole or in part in respect of 1,000 shares or any multiple thereof, by a participant giving notice in writing, accompanied by a remittance for the aggregate subscription cost in respect of the shares for which that option is exercised. The method of settlement could be in cheque, cashier's order, banker's draft or postal order made out in favour of the Company or such other mode of payment as may be acceptable to the Company. There are no restrictions on the eligibility of the persons to whom the options have been granted to participate in any other share option or share incentive scheme, whether or not implemented by any of the other companies within the Group or any other company. The Group has no legal or constructive obligation to repurchase or settle the options in cash.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

- The vesting schedule for the share options granted to eligible employees (including executive directors) effective from 20 May 2014 are as follows:

Vesting period	Proportion of Total Share Options that are exercisable
Before / On first anniversary of date of grant	0 per cent
After first anniversary and before second anniversary of date of grant	Up to 30.0 per cent of grant
On / After second anniversary and before third anniversary of date of grant	Up to another 30.0 per cent of grant OR Up to 60.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first vesting year
On / After third anniversary till tenth anniversary of date of grant	Balance OR 100.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first and second vesting years

- The share options granted to eligible employees (including executive directors) effective 26 June 2006 to 10 March 2014 have a four-year vesting schedule and the details are as follows:

Vesting period	Proportion of Total Share Options that are exercisable
Before / On first anniversary of date of grant	0 per cent
After first anniversary and before second anniversary of date of grant	Up to 25.0 per cent of grant
On / After second anniversary and before third anniversary of date of grant	Up to another 25.0 per cent of grant OR Up to 50.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first vesting year
On / After third anniversary and before fourth anniversary of date of grant	Up to another 25.0 per cent of grant OR Up to 75.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first and second vesting years
On / After fourth anniversary till tenth anniversary of date of grant	Balance OR 100.0 per cent of grant if share options were not exercised after the first, second and third vesting years

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

- On 11 May 2012, 17 January 2014, 7 March 2014 and 1 April 2014, performance share options were granted to key management staff. Vesting of these options is based on the Company's performance against a set of stretched targets on the Group's profit and the Company's target share price performance.
- The total number of shares over which options may be granted under the Scheme on any date, when added to the nominal amount of shares issued and issuable and in respect of all options granted under the Scheme, shall not exceed 5.0 per cent of the issued share capital of the Company on the day preceding that date.

Since the adoption of the Scheme to 31 March 2022, a total of 178,687,936 share options have been granted. Detail of the options are set out in the Directors' Statement for the respective financial years.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, no share options were granted. At the end of the financial year, details of the options granted and the number of unissued ordinary shares of the Company under options outstanding are as follows:

Date of Grant	Exercise Period	Exercise Price	Number of ordinary shares under options outstanding				
			Balance At 1.4.22 ('000)	Granted during financial year ('000)	Options exercised ('000)	Options forfeited ('000)	Balance At 31.3.23 ('000)
Options Granted Under Singapore Post Share Options Scheme							
For employees (including executive directors)							
11.05.12	19.05.14 to 11.05.22	S\$1.030	482	–	–	482	–
10.08.12	11.08.13 to 10.08.22	S\$1.070	689	–	–	689	–
17.01.14	18.01.17 to 17.01.24	S\$1.350	1,223	–	–	848	375
07.03.14	08.03.17 to 07.03.24	S\$1.330	375	–	–	–	375
20.05.14	21.05.15 to 20.05.24	S\$1.450	609	–	–	301	308
07.08.14	08.08.15 to 07.08.24	S\$1.760	62	–	–	30	32
19.05.15	20.05.16 to 19.05.25	S\$1.890	1,875	–	–	678	1,197
20.05.16	21.05.17 to 20.05.26	S\$1.570	1,492	–	–	526	966
Total Share Options			6,807	–	–	3,554	3,253

No option has been granted to controlling shareholders of the Company or their associates.

No key management personnel or employee has received options of 5% or more of the total number of shares available under the Scheme during the financial year. No other director or employee of the Company and its subsidiaries (as defined in the SGX-ST Listing Manual) has received options of 5% or more of the total number of shares available to all directors and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries under the Scheme during the financial year.

No option was granted at a discount during the financial year.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

Restricted Share Plan

The Singapore Post Restricted Share Plan 2013 (the "Plan") was implemented with the approval of shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 28 June 2013. The Plan commenced on 28 June 2013. The duration of the Plan is 10 years commencing from 28 June 2013. Amendments to the Plan to prescribe performance conditions were duly approved by the shareholders at the Company's annual general meeting ("AGM") held on 20 July 2017.

At the Company's AGM held on 21 July 2022, the shareholders approved the following:

- (i) extension of the Plan for another 10 years up to 27 June 2033; and
- (ii) alteration to the rules of the Plan to take into account amendments to the Listing Manual, as well as to streamline and rationalise certain provisions.

Enhancements to the Plan (the "Enhanced Plan") were subsequently designed to reinforce the delivery of long-term growth and shareholder value to drive an ownership culture and retain staff whose contributions are essential to the well-being of the Group. The Enhanced Plan allow fully paid shares to be granted to non-executive directors of the Group and associated companies.

The release schedule for the shares granted to eligible employees (excluding non-executive directors) prior to financial year 2017/18 is as follows:

Vesting Period	Vesting Date	Percentage of Shares that will be released on Vesting Date
From award date to date before first anniversary of award date	First anniversary of award date	30% (rounded to nearest whole share)
From first anniversary of award date to date before second anniversary of award date	On second anniversary of date of award	30% (rounded to nearest whole share)
From second anniversary of award date to date before third anniversary of award date	On third anniversary of date of award	Balance 40%

- 100% of the restricted shares granted to non-executive directors vest after one year from the date of grant.

Since the adoption of the Plan to 31 March 2022, a total of 5,839,118 restricted shares were granted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, no restricted shares were granted under the Plan. There are no outstanding unvested restricted shares as at the start of the financial year.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

Enhanced Plan

Following shareholders' approval to the Enhanced Plan at the Company's annual general meeting held on 20 July 2017, participants will receive fully paid SingPost shares provided that prescribed performance targets are met within a prescribed performance period. Shares granted from financial year 2017/18 onwards comprises of two types of awards:

- (a) Performance Share Award; and
- (b) Restricted Share Award.

The Performance Share Award, granted to senior management, has two long-term performance measures: Return on Equity and Absolute Total Shareholder Returns. For Performance Share Award from financial year 2020/2021 onwards, an additional performance measure, CO2 Reduction from FY18/19, is added. The Restricted Share Award, granted to a broader group of executives and key talents, has one long-term performance measure: Underlying Net Profit. The performance period for both types of awards is three or four years depending on when the performance conditions are met.

The performance conditions incorporate stretched targets aimed at delivering long-term shareholder value. Depending on achievement of the respective performance hurdles, 0% to 200% of the awards may vest.

Performance Share Awards

Since the adoption of the Enhanced Plan to 31 March 2022, a total of 6,020,288 shares have been granted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, 1,244,281 shares were granted. Details of the grants are as follows:

Date of Grant	Balance As At 1.4.22 ('000)	Share Awards Granted ('000)	Share Awards Vested ('000)	Share Awards Cancelled ('000)	Balance As At 31.3.23 ('000)
31.05.19	591	–	–	–	591
01.06.20	455	–	–	–	455
20.01.22	269	–	–	–	269
03.06.22	–	1,244	–	–	1,244
Total	1,315	1,244	–	–	2,559

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

Enhanced Plan (continued)

Restricted Share Awards

Since the adoption of the Enhanced Plan to 31 March 2022, a total of 11,044,023 restricted shares have been granted.

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, 3,897,113 shares were granted. Details of the grants are as follows:

Date of Grant	Balance As At 1.4.23 ('000)	Share Awards Granted ('000)	Share Awards Vested ('000)	Share Awards Cancelled ('000)	Balance As At 31.3.23 ('000)
31.05.19	1,143	–	–	262	881
01.06.20	1,944	–	–	590	1,354
20.01.22	1,140	–	–	372	768
03.06.22	–	3,897	–	1,330	2,567
Total	4,227	3,897	–	2,554	5,570

Of the outstanding options (including Performance Share Option Plan but excluding Restricted Share Plan) for 3,253,000 (2022: 6,807,000) shares, 3,253,000 (2022: 6,807,000) options are exercisable as at 31 March 2023. The weighted average share price during the financial year was S\$0.59 (2022: S\$0.68).

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

Enhanced Plan (continued)

Restricted Share Awards (continued)

Following are the details of the significant inputs into the valuation model to determine fair value of the share incentive granted during the financial year.

Type of Share Options	Performance Share Awards (TSR)	Performance Share Awards (ROE)	Performance Share Awards (CER)	Restricted Share Awards (UNP)
2023				
Total fair value of options granted during financial year	\$154,789	\$291,659	\$145,830	\$2,283,708
Valuation Model	Monte Carlo Simulation	Monte Carlo Simulation	Monte Carlo Simulation	Monte Carlo Simulation
Weighted average share price at the grant dates	\$S0.67	\$S0.67	\$S0.67	\$S0.67
Expected volatility	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%	22.0%
Expected option life	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years
Expected dividend yield	3.56%	3.56%	3.56%	3.56%
2022				
Total fair value of options granted during financial year	S\$16,041	S\$64,488	S\$32,244	S\$683,050
Valuation Model	Monte Carlo Simulation	Monte Carlo Simulation	Monte Carlo Simulation	Monte Carlo Simulation
Weighted average share price at the grant dates	S\$0.65	S\$0.65	S\$0.65	S\$0.65
Expected volatility	21.46%	21.46%	21.46%	21.46%
Expected option life	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years
Expected dividend yield	2.41%	2.41%	2.41%	2.41%

The volatility assumption is based on the actual volatility of Singapore Post's daily closing share price over the three-year period to the valuation date.

The annual risk free rate is interpolated from the yield on Singapore Government Bonds of appropriate term, as detailed by the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

FMH Long Term Incentive Plan

The FMH Group Long Term Incentive Plan ("FMH LTIP") was implemented by FMH on 10 November 2022.

The objective of the FMH LTIP are to provide an incentive for eligible employees to remain in their employment in the long term and recognise the ongoing ability of eligible employees and their expected efforts and contribution in the long term to the performance and success of the FMH and its subsidiaries (the "FMH Group"). The LTIP provides eligible employees with the opportunity to acquire rights ("Rights") to receive fully paid ordinary shares in the capital of FMH ("FMH Shares").

Offers to participate in the FMH LTIP ("Offers", and each, an "Offer") may only be made by the Plan Committee (as defined below) to a person who is:

- (a) a full time or part time employee (including an executive director) of the FMH Group;
- (b) a non-executive director of the FMH Group;
- (c) a casual employee of the FMH Group (being a person who is, or might reasonably expected to be, engaged to work the number of hours that are the pro-rata equivalent of 40% or more of a comparable full time position with the FMH Group); or a person who has entered into an arrangement with the FMH Group that will result in that person being covered by paragraphs (a) to (c), (each, an "Employee").

An employee whom the Plan Committee (see below) determines is to receive an Offer under the FMH LTIP will be referred to as an "Eligible Employee". An Eligible Employee may nominate a trust or trustee of a trust for which such Eligible Employee is the sole beneficiary ("Nominated Participant") to receive his or her Offer, provided that such nomination must be approved by the board of directors of FMH (the "FMH Board").

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31. SHARE CAPITAL AND TREASURY SHARES (continued)

(b) *Share options* (continued)

FMH Long Term Incentive Plan (continued)

Following are the details of the significant inputs into the valuation model to determine fair value of the share incentive granted during the financial year.

Type of Share Options	LTI Plan Share Awards
2023	
Total fair value of options granted during financial year	A\$8,164,888
Valuation Model	Monte Carlo Simulation
Weighted average share price at the grant dates	A\$24,171
Expected volatility	29.9%
Expected option life	3 years
Expected dividend yield	2.72%

The volatility assumption is based on the average volatility of EBITDA and Return on Equity growth from FMH's peer companies during the past ten years.

The annual risk free rate is interpolated from the yield on Australia Government Bonds.

32. OTHER RESERVES

	Group		Company	
	2023	2022	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
(a) <i>Composition:</i>				
Share option reserve	4,301	6,115	4,301	6,115
Fair value reserve	(27,169)	4,863	(4,561)	(4,561)
Currency translation reserve	(19,414)	(8,925)	–	–
Other capital reserve	(118,451)	34,513	(104)	–
Asset valuation reserve	45,573	45,275	35,754	35,754
Hedging reserve	37,540	–	–	–
	(77,620)	81,841	35,390	37,308

Other reserves are non-distributable.

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32. OTHER RESERVES (continued)

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
(b) <u>Movements:</u>				
(i) Share option reserve				
Beginning of financial year	6,115	16,134	6,115	16,134
Employee share option scheme:				
– Value of employee services	(1,814)	(10,019)	(1,814)	(10,019)
– Profit and loss (Note 5)	(440)	(4,535)	(440)	(4,535)
– Retained earnings	(1,374)	(5,484)	(1,374)	(5,484)
End of financial year	4,301	6,115	4,301	6,115
(ii) Fair value reserve				
Beginning of financial year	4,863	13,668	(4,561)	–
Fair value gain / (loss)	(48,532)	(10,992)	–	(4,561)
Adjusted for non-controlling interests	16,500	2,187	–	–
End of financial year	(27,169)	4,863	(4,561)	(4,561)
(iii) Currency translation reserve				
Beginning of financial year	(8,925)	(5,051)	–	–
Disposal / liquidation of foreign subsidiaries	(34)	(246)	–	–
Transfer to profit or loss arising from change in ownership interest from an associated company to a subsidiary	–	(63)	–	–
Net currency translation differences of financial statements of foreign subsidiaries and associated companies	(12,350) ⁽¹⁾	(2,131)	–	–
Adjusted for non-controlling interest interests	1,895	(1,434)	–	–
End of financial year	(19,414)	(8,925)	–	–
(iv) Other capital reserve				
Beginning of financial year	34,513	33,192	–	–
Additional interest in a subsidiary	(152,860)	–	–	–
Adjustment	–	1,139	–	–
Loss of control of subsidiary	–	182	–	–
Issuance of shares to employee	(104)	–	(104)	–
End of financial year	(118,451)	34,513	(104)	–

Other capital reserve mainly arises from changes in shareholding in subsidiaries which do not result in a loss of control

⁽¹⁾ The loss on the currency translation reserve for the year ended 31 March 2023 is mainly attributable to the translation differences arising from net investment in Australia entities.

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32. OTHER RESERVES (continued)

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
(b) <u>Movements</u> (continued):				
(v) Asset valuation reserve				
Beginning of financial year	45,275	45,062	35,754	30,702
Revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment and right-of-use assets upon transfer to investment property (Notes 24 and 25)	298	6,412	–	5,052
Loss of control of subsidiary	–	(6,199)	–	–
End of financial year	45,573	45,275	35,754	35,754
(vi) Hedging reserve				
Beginning of financial year	–	–	–	–
Gain on fair value hedge of an equity instrument designated at FVTOCI	56,879	–	–	–
Adjusted for non-controlling interests	(19,339)	–	–	–
End of financial year	37,540	–	–	–

33. PERPETUAL SECURITIES

- (a) On 2 March 2012, the Company issued senior perpetual cumulative securities (“Perpetual Securities 2012”) with an aggregate principal amount of S\$350,000,000. Incremental costs incurred amounting to S\$4,397,000 were recognised in equity as a deduction from proceeds. Perpetual Securities 2012 bear distributions at a rate of 4.25% per annum, payable semi-annually. Perpetual Securities 2012 were fully redeemed on 2 March 2022.
- (b) On 6 April 2022, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Group issued SGD Subordinated Perpetual Securities with an aggregate principal amount of S\$250,000,000 (“Perpetual Securities 2022”) under the S\$1 billion Multicurrency Debt Issuance Programme which is guaranteed by the Company. Incremental costs incurred amounting to S\$1,028,000 were recognised in equity as a deduction from proceeds. Perpetual Securities 2022 bear distributions at a rate of 4.35% per annum up to 6 July 2027, payable semi-annually. The distribution rate will be reset every 5 years starting 6 July 2027.

Subject to the relevant terms and conditions in the offering memorandum, the Group and Company may elect to defer making distributions on the perpetual securities, and is not subject to any limits as to the number of times a distribution can be deferred.

As a result, the Group and Company are considered to have no contractual obligations to repay its principal or to pay any distributions and the perpetual securities do not meet the definition for classification as a financial liability under SFRS(I) 1-32 Financial Instruments: *Presentation*. The whole instrument is presented within equity, and distributions are treated as dividends.

During the financial year, distributions to perpetual securities holders amounted to S\$10,726,000 (2022: S\$13,652,000).

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34. DIVIDENDS

	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<i>Ordinary dividends paid</i>		
Final exempt (one-tier) dividend paid in respect of the previous financial year of 1.3 cent per share (2022: 0.6 cents)	29,247	13,497
Interim exempt (one-tier) dividend paid in respect of the first half of the current financial year of 0.18 cent per share (2022: 0.5 cent)	4,049	11,248
	33,296	24,745

Final dividend

At the Annual General Meeting on 19 July 2023, the Board will be recommending a final exempt (one-tier) dividend of 0.40 cents per ordinary share amounting to S\$8.9 million for the financial year ended 31 March 2023. Including the interim dividend of 0.18 cents per share paid out in November 2022, total dividend would amount to 0.58 cents per share, or approximately 40% of the underlying net profit. These financial statements do not reflect this dividend, which will be accounted for in shareholders' equity as an appropriation of retained earnings in the financial year ending 31 March 2024.

The underlying net profit is defined as net profit before exceptional items (Note 9). The Group's underlying net profit for the financial year ended 31 March 2023 amounted to \$32,384,000 (2022: \$81,254,000).

35. POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Group operates one defined benefit pension plan in Japan to provide pensions for employees upon retirement.

	2023 S\$'000	Group 2022 S\$'000
The amount recognised in the statement of financial position is determined as follows:		
Present value of unfunded obligations (Note 27)	1,832	1,725
The amounts recognised in profit or loss are as follows:		
Current service cost	546	749
Interest cost	12	10
	558	759
Beginning of financial year	1,725	1,817
Current service cost	546	749
Interest cost	12	10
Benefits paid	(278)	(693)
Currency translation differences	(173)	(158)
End of financial year	1,832	1,725
The significant actuarial assumptions used were as follows:		
Discount rate	0.80%	0.60%
Retirement age	60	60
Salary growth rates	3.0%	2.50%
Withdrawal	0%	0%
The cumulative actuarial losses recognised for the defined benefit pension plans were as follows:		
Beginning and end of financial year	(11)	(11)

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36. COMMITMENTS

(a) *Capital and investment commitments*

Capital expenditures and investments contracted for at the end of the reporting period but not recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Property, plant and equipment	15,334	21,588	6,189	6,758

Apart from the above, the Group was committed to purchase 100% of the entire issued and paid up share capital in Parcel Santa Pte. Ltd. for S\$5,250,000 at 31 March 2022. The acquisition was completed in April 2022 (Note 40).

(b) *Operating lease arrangements – where the Group is a lessee*

The Group and Company lease various post offices, warehouse space and machinery under non-cancellable operating lease agreements. The leases have varying terms, escalation clauses and renewal rights.

At 31 March 2023, the Group is committed to S\$0.7 million (2022: S\$0.6 million) for short-term leases.

(c) *Operating lease commitments – where the Group is a lessor*

Operating leases, in which the Group is the lessor, relate to investment properties owned by the Group. All operating lease contracts contain market review clauses in the event that the lessee exercises its option to renew. The lessee does not have an option to purchase the property at the expiry of the lease period.

The unguaranteed residual values do not represent a significant risk for the Group, as they are not material.

Maturity analysis of operating lease income:

	Group S\$'000	Company S\$'000
2023		
Maturity analysis:		
Year 1	46,705	45,415
Year 2	22,834	21,700
Year 3	10,777	10,246
Year 4	4,364	4,172
Year 5	3,261	3,149
Year 6 onwards	801	801
	88,742	85,483
2022		
Maturity analysis:		
Year 1	51,880	49,760
Year 2	36,306	35,348
Year 3	11,427	10,838
Year 4	2,688	2,481
Year 5	373	167
Year 6 onwards	154	–
	102,828	98,594

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Financial risk factors

The Group's activities expose it to market risk (including currency risk and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Group's overall risk management strategy seeks to minimise adverse effects from the volatility of financial markets on the Group's financial performance. The Group uses financial instruments such as currency forwards to hedge certain financial risk exposures.

The Board of Directors is responsible for setting the objectives and underlying principles of financial risk management for the Group. The Board Risk Committee then performs oversight responsibilities to ensure the financial risks are managed in accordance with the objectives and underlying principles approved by the Board of Directors.

(a) Market risk

(i) *Currency risk*

The currency transaction risk of the Group arises mainly from the international mail business, which generates inpayments and outpayments denominated in foreign currencies. The currency exposure is primarily in Special Drawing Rights ("SDR"), Euro ("EUR"), United States Dollar ("USD"), Australia Dollar ("AUD") and Chinese Renminbi ("RMB"). SDR is an International Monetary Fund unit of account used for valuing international transactions, which is defined in terms of a basket of currencies. The actual settlement is substantially in EUR and USD. The Group uses foreign currency purchases and currency forwards to manage the currency risk. These instruments are used mainly to hedge underlying exposures and the instruments are not entered into for speculative reasons.

In addition, the Group is exposed to currency translation risk on net assets in foreign subsidiaries, associated companies and joint ventures. Currency exposure to the net assets in foreign subsidiaries and associated companies where a divestment is not foreseeable is not hedged by the Group.

Group Treasury's risk management policy is to hedge planned divestment of overseas investments using currency forwards to manage the currency risk. These instruments are used mainly to hedge underlying exposures and the instruments are not entered into for speculative reasons.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

The Group's currency exposure based on the information provided to key management is as follows:

	SGD S\$'000	SDR S\$'000	EUR S\$'000	USD S\$'000	HKD S\$'000	AUD S\$'000	MYR S\$'000	RMB S\$'000	Others S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>										
2023										
Financial assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	393,840	–	10,677	10,061	2,765	34,966	2,745	73	40,569	495,696
Trade and other receivables	62,407	7,428	13,693	–	4,836	101,662	1,750	28,995	14,005	234,776
Other financial assets	2,859	–	337	–	339	1,187	266	–	5,733	10,721
Financial assets	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	41,865	211	42,076
Derivative financial instruments	–	–	306	–	–	–	–	56,879	66	57,251
	459,106	7,428	25,013	10,061	7,940	137,815	4,761	127,812	60,584	840,520
Financial liabilities										
Derivative financial instruments	–	–	–	(848)	–	(282)	–	–	(283)	(1,413)
Borrowings	(349,370)	–	–	–	–	(275,020)	–	–	–	(624,390)
Lease liabilities	(25,242)	–	(1,049)	–	(979)	(47,221)	(24)	–	(5,212)	(79,727)
Trade and other payables	(266,245)	(253,123)	(10,016)	–	(4,194)	(95,998)	(1,090)	–	(21,657)	(652,323)
	(640,857)	(253,123)	(11,065)	(848)	(5,173)	(418,521)	(1,114)	–	(27,152)	(1,357,853)
Net financial assets/ (liabilities)	(181,751)	(245,695)	13,948	9,213	2,767	(280,706)	3,647	127,812	33,432	
Less: Net financial assets / (liabilities) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(181,751)	–	12,577	7,532	2,696	(92,317)	3,648	73	29,293	
Less: Currency forwards	–	(11,050)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	
Currency exposure	–	(256,745)	1,371	1,681	71	(188,389)	(1)	127,739	4,139	

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

	SGD S\$'000	SDR S\$'000	EUR S\$'000	USD S\$'000	HKD S\$'000	AUD S\$'000	MYR S\$'000	RMB S\$'000	Others S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>										
2022										
Financial assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	216,319	-	2,780	8,231	1,963	13,266	1,697	981	35,201	280,438
Trade and other receivables	43,274	11,062	27,186	509	4,687	99,537	2,075	33,404	17,271	239,005
Other financial assets	2,054	-	273	-	328	455	340	-	8,057	11,507
Financial assets	8,006	-	-	-	-	-	-	90,397	234	98,637
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	52	339	-	-	-	-	-	391
	<u>269,653</u>	<u>11,062</u>	<u>30,291</u>	<u>9,079</u>	<u>6,978</u>	<u>113,258</u>	<u>4,112</u>	<u>124,782</u>	<u>60,763</u>	<u>629,978</u>
Financial liabilities										
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	(172)	-	-	-	-	-	(380)	(552)
Borrowings	(399,267)	-	-	-	-	(117,741)	-	-	-	(517,008)
Lease liabilities	(27,292)	-	(944)	-	(1,440)	(49,916)	(42)	-	(3,811)	(83,445)
Trade and other payables	(166,135)	(247,685)	(12,619)	(1,283)	(4,118)	(351,457)	(997)	(1,203)	(28,845)	(814,342)
	<u>(592,694)</u>	<u>(247,685)</u>	<u>(13,735)</u>	<u>(1,283)</u>	<u>(5,558)</u>	<u>(519,114)</u>	<u>(1,039)</u>	<u>(1,203)</u>	<u>(33,036)</u>	<u>(1,415,347)</u>
Net financial assets / (liabilities)	(323,041)	(236,623)	16,556	7,796	1,420	(405,856)	3,073	123,579	27,727	
Less: Net financial assets / (liabilities) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(323,041)	-	17,959	(92)	2,047	(315,251)	3,553	3,649	23,255	
Less: Currency forwards	-	(16,400)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Currency exposure	-	(253,023)	(1,403)	7,888	(627)	(90,605)	(480)	119,930	4,472	

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

The Company's currency exposure based on the information provided to key management is as follows:

	SGD S\$'000	SDR S\$'000	EUR S\$'000	USD S\$'000	HKD S\$'000	AUD S\$'000	MYR S\$'000	RMB S\$'000	Others S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Company</u>										
2023										
Financial assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	372,545	–	729	935	21	25	–	–	816	375,071
Trade and other receivables	298,947	7,428	–	–	–	–	–	28,995	–	335,370
Other financial assets	1,637	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	1,637
Financial assets	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Derivative financial instruments	–	–	306	–	–	–	–	–	66	372
	673,129	7,428	1,035	935	21	25	–	28,995	882	712,450
Financial liabilities										
Derivative financial instruments	–	–	–	(848)	–	–	–	–	(284)	(1,132)
Borrowings	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Lease liabilities	(39,116)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(39,116)
Trade and other payables	(767,528)	(253,123)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	(1,020,651)
	(806,644)	(253,123)	–	(848)	–	–	–	–	(284)	(1,060,899)
Net financial assets / (liabilities)	(133,515)	(245,695)	1,035	87	21	25	–	28,995	598	
Less: Net financial assets / (liabilities) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(133,515)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Less: Currency forwards	–	(11,050)	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
Currency exposure	–	(256,745)	1,035	87	21	25	–	28,995	598	

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(i) Currency risk (continued)

	SGD S\$'000	SDR S\$'000	EUR S\$'000	USD S\$'000	HKD S\$'000	AUD S\$'000	MYR S\$'000	RMB S\$'000	Others S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Company</u>										
2022										
Financial assets										
Cash and cash equivalents	200,185	-	15	227	11	8	-	-	152	200,598
Trade and other receivables	271,967	11,062	-	-	-	1,886	-	29,781	-	314,696
Other financial assets	1,689	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,689
Financial assets	8,006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,006
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	52	339	-	-	-	-	-	391
	<u>481,847</u>	<u>11,062</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>566</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>1,894</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,781</u>	<u>152</u>	<u>525,380</u>
Financial liabilities										
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	(172)	-	-	-	-	-	(380)	(552)
Borrowings	(50,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(50,000)
Lease liabilities	(20,403)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(20,403)
Trade and other payables	(499,615)	(247,685)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(747,300)
	<u>(570,018)</u>	<u>(247,685)</u>	<u>(172)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(380)</u>	<u>(818,255)</u>
Net financial assets / (liabilities)	(88,171)	(236,623)	(105)	566	11	1,894	-	29,781	(228)	
Less: Net financial assets / (liabilities) denominated in the respective entities' functional currencies	(88,171)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Less: Currency forwards	-	(16,400)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Currency exposure	-	(253,023)	(105)	566	11	1,894	-	29,781	(228)	

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) *Market risk* (continued)

(i) *Currency risk* (continued)

If the SDR changes against the SGD by 2% (2022: 2%) with all other variables being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial liability / asset position will be as follows:

	Increase / (decrease) Profit before tax	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
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<u>Group and Company</u>		
SDR against SGD		
– strengthened	(5,135)	(5,060)
– weakened	5,135	5,060
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If the EUR changes against the SGD by 3% (2022: 2%) with all other variables being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial asset/liability position will be as follows:

	Increase / (decrease) Profit before tax	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
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<u>Group</u>		
EUR against SGD		
– strengthened	41	(28)
– weakened	(41)	28
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<u>Company</u>		
EUR against SGD		
– strengthened	31	(2)
– weakened	(31)	2
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If the USD changes against the SGD by 3% (2022: 3%) with all other variables being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial asset/liability position will be as follows:

	Increase / (decrease) Profit before tax	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
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<u>Group</u>		
USD against SGD		
– strengthened	50	237
– weakened	(50)	(237)
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<u>Company</u>		
USD against SGD		
– strengthened	3	17
– weakened	(3)	(17)
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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) *Market risk* (continued)

(i) *Currency risk* (continued)

If the AUD changes against the SGD by 4% (2022: 4%) with all other variables being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial asset/liability position will be as follows:

	Increase / (decrease) Profit before tax	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<u>Group</u>		
AUD against SGD		
– strengthened	(7,536)	(3,624)
– weakened	7,536	3,624
<u>Company</u>		
AUD against SGD		
– strengthened	1	76
– weakened	(1)	(76)

If the RMB changes against the SGD by 3% (2022: 2%) with all other variables being held constant, the effects arising from the net financial asset/liability position will be as follows:

	Increase / (decrease) Profit before tax	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
<u>Group</u>		
RMB against SGD		
– strengthened	870	591
– weakened	(870)	(591)
<u>Company</u>		
RMB against SGD		
– strengthened	870	596
– weakened	(870)	(596)

(ii) *Interest rate risk*

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. As the Group has no significant variable interest-bearing assets, the Group's interest income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

The Group's policy is to minimise the interest expense consistent with maintaining an acceptable level of exposure to interest rate fluctuations. A target mix of fixed and floating debt based on the assessment of interest rate trends is used to achieve this objective. The Group was exposed to interest rate risk from its borrowings (Note 28) which bear interest ranging from 4.9% to 5.1% (2022: 1.3% to 3.2%).

For the financial year ended 31 March 2023, if the interest rate had increased / decreased by 1% (2022: 1%) with all other variables being held constant, profit before tax will decrease/increase by S\$2.0 million (2022: S\$1.1 million).

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

(ii) *Interest rate risk* (continued)

Managing interest rate benchmark reform and associated risks

A fundamental review and reform of major interest rate benchmarks is being undertaken globally, including the replacement of some interbank offered rates (IBORs) with alternative nearly risk-free rates (referred as "IBOR reform"). In Singapore, the fundamental review and reform of the two key Singapore Dollars interest rate benchmarks that are widely referenced in financial contracts, namely Singapore interbank offered rates (SIBORs) and Singapore overnight rate average (SORs) and the transition from SOR to the Singapore overnight rate average (SORA), is being adopted or transitioned.

The Group may have exposures to IBORs on its financial instruments, financial contracts that will be replaced or reformed as part of these market-wide initiatives. This may impact any of its risk management and hedge accounting policies that is outstanding.

The Group's treasury function ("Group Treasury") monitors and manages the Group's transition to alternative rates. Group Treasury evaluates the extent of this exposures, and whether any of such financial contracts will need to be amended or being impacted as a result of IBOR reform.

New loans or transactions which may involve IBOR reform would have been contracted with the new benchmark.

However, Group Treasury has and will continue to review and update if relevant, existing bilateral loan agreements with financial institutions to cater for replacement benchmark flexibility or new benchmark adoption in pricing of loans.

(iii) *Equity price risk management*

The Group is exposed to equity risks arising from equity investments classified as at FVTOCI. Equity investments measured at FVTOCI are held for strategic rather than trading purposes. The Group does not actively trade such investments. As the equity investment has been designated as a hedged item for fair value hedge accounting, the Group's exposure to equity price risk is mitigated and no sensitivity analyses was performed.

Further details of these equity investments and the hedging relationship can be found in Notes 15 and 17.

(b) Overview of the Group's exposure to credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Group. As at 31 March 2023, the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk without taking into account any collateral held or other credit enhancements, which will cause a financial loss to the Group due to failure to discharge an obligation by the counterparties arises from the carrying amount of the respective recognised financial assets as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) *Overview of the Group's exposure to credit risk* (continued)

The credit risk for trade receivables based on the information provided to key management is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
<u>By geographical areas</u>				
Singapore	54,101	44,923	68,519	46,401
Other countries	170,109	178,349	42,699	47,605
	224,210	223,272	111,218	94,006
<u>By types of customers</u>				
Related parties	652	1,406	31,508	16,208
Non-related parties:				
– Government bodies	2,369	1,992	2,369	1,992
– Banks	6,248	5,210	6,230	5,094
– Overseas postal administrations	6,291	9,147	6,291	9,147
– Other companies	208,650	205,517	64,820	61,565
	224,210	223,272	111,218	94,006

(i) *Trade receivables*

The Group uses a provision matrix to measure the lifetime expected credit loss for trade receivables.

In measuring the expected credit losses, trade receivables are grouped based on similar credit risk characteristics and days past due. In calculating the expected credit loss rates, the Group considers historical loss rates for each category of customers under each business.

A trade receivable is written off when there is information indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery. Where receivables are written off, the Group continues to engage in enforcement activity to attempt to recover the receivables due. Any recoveries made are recognised in profit or loss. The Group generally considers a financial asset in default if the counterparty fails to make contractual payments within 90 days past due or there is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired.

(ii) *Other financial assets at amortised cost*

In determining the expected credit loss, management has taken into account the historical default experience and the financial position of the counterparties, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors / debt instrument and general economic conditions of the industry in which the debtors / debt instrument operate, in estimating the probability of default of each of these financial assets occurring within their respective loss assessment time horizon, as well as the loss upon default in each case.

The Group assumes that the credit risk on a financial instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition if the financial instrument is determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date. A financial instrument is determined to have low credit risk if i) the financial instrument has a low risk of default, ii) the borrower has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term and iii) adverse changes in economic and business conditions in the longer term may, but will not necessarily, reduce the ability of the borrower to fulfil its contractual cash flow obligations. The Group considers a financial asset to have low credit risk when it has an internal or external credit rating of "investment grade" as per globally understood definition.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) *Overview of the Group's exposure to credit risk* (continued)

The tables below detail the credit quality of the Group's financial assets and other items, as well as maximum exposure to credit risk by credit risk rating grades:

	Note	External credit rating	Internal credit rating	12-month ("12m") or lifetime ECL	Gross carrying amount S\$'000	Loss allowance S\$'000	Net carrying amount S\$'000
2023							
<u>Group</u>							
Trade receivables	16	N.A.	(i)	Lifetime ECL (simplified approach)	226,877	(2,667)	224,210
Other receivables	16,20	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL and lifetime ECL	10,566	–	10,566
Other financial assets	18	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL	10,721	–	10,721
						(2,667)	
<u>Company</u>							
Trade receivables	16	N.A.	(i)	Lifetime ECL (simplified approach)	112,425	(1,207)	111,218
Other receivables	16,20	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL and lifetime ECL	270,518	(46,366)	224,152
Other financial assets	18	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL	1,637	–	1,637
						(47,573)	
2022							
<u>Group</u>							
Trade receivables	16	N.A.	(i)	Lifetime ECL (simplified approach)	228,554	(5,282)	223,272
Other receivables	16,20	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL and lifetime ECL	17,767	(2,390)	15,377
Other financial assets	18	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL	11,507	–	11,507
Bonds	15	At least BBB-	N.A.	12m ECL	8,006	–	8,006
						(7,672)	
<u>Company</u>							
Trade receivables	16	N.A.	(i)	Lifetime ECL (simplified approach)	98,442	(4,436)	94,006
Other receivables	16,20	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL and lifetime ECL	266,814	(46,480)	220,334
Other financial assets	18	N.A.	(ii)	12m ECL	1,689	–	1,689
Bonds	15	At least BBB-	N.A.	12m ECL	8,006	–	8,006
						(50,916)	

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) *Overview of the Group's exposure to credit risk* (continued)

- (i) For trade receivables, the Group has applied the simplified approach in SFRS (I) 9 *Financial Instruments* to measure the loss allowance at lifetime ECL. The credit risk profile is presented based on the trade receivables' past due status in terms of the provision matrix.

The following table details the risk profile of trade receivables from contracts with customers based on the Group's provision matrix.

	Expected weighted credit loss rate %	Estimated total gross carrying amount at default S\$'000	Lifetime ECL S\$'000	Total S\$'000
Trade receivables				
2023				
<u>Group</u>				
Current (not past due)	*	170,382	–	170,382
1 to 90 days past due	1.2%	33,905	(423)	33,482
More than 90 days past due	9.9%	22,590	(2,244)	20,346
		226,877	(2,667)	224,210
<u>Company</u>				
Current (not past due)	*	82,027	–	82,027
1 to 90 days past due	3.9%	10,964	(423)	10,541
More than 90 days past due	4.0%	19,434	(784)	18,650
		112,425	(1,207)	111,218
2022				
<u>Group</u>				
Current (not past due)	*	193,630	–	193,630
1 to 90 days past due	7.8%	30,290	(2,377)	27,913
More than 90 days past due	62.7%	4,634	(2,905)	1,729
		228,554	(5,282)	223,272
<u>Company</u>				
Current (not past due)	*	86,378	–	86,378
1 to 90 days past due	27.9%	8,528	(2,377)	6,151
More than 90 days past due	58.2%	3,536	(2,059)	1,477
		98,442	(4,436)	94,006

* The expected weighted credit loss rate is assessed as negligible.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(b) *Overview of the Group's exposure to credit risk* (continued)

- (ii) Other receivables and other financial assets at amortised cost except for the credit impaired other receivables are considered to be recoverable as they are not due for payment at the end of the reporting period and there has been no significant increase in the risk of default since initial recognition. The Group assesses that no loss allowance is required in respect of these financial assets. Loss allowance recognised arises from loans to associated companies and subsidiaries and is determined after taking into account the financial position of the associated company and subsidiary adjusted for factors specific to them and general economic conditions of the industries in which the associated companies and subsidiaries operate.

Movements in loss allowance are as follows:

	Trade receivables S\$'000	Loans to associated companies S\$'000
<u>Group</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2021	3,172	746
Amount written off	(101)	–
Loss allowance recognised in profit or loss during the year	2,211	1,644
Balance as at 31 March 2022	5,282	2,390
Amount written off	(2,484)	(1,865)
Reversal of loss allowance recognised in profit or loss during the year	(131)	(525)
Balance as at 31 March 2023	2,667	–
<u>Company</u>		
Balance as at 1 April 2021	2,552	51,442
Amount written off	(84)	–
Loss allowance recognised / (reversed) in profit or loss during the year	1,968	(4,962)
Balance as at 31 March 2022	4,436	46,480
Amount written off	(3,229)	
Reversal of loss allowance recognised in profit or loss during the year	–	(114)
Balance as at 31 March 2023	1,207	46,366

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(c) *Credit risk management*

The major classes of financial assets of the Group and of the Company are bank deposits, trade and other receivables, investments in financial assets and financial instruments used in hedging activities. For trade receivables, the Group adopts the policy of dealing only with customers of appropriate credit history, and obtaining sufficient collateral where appropriate to mitigate credit risk. For other financial assets, the Group adopts the policy of dealing only with high credit quality counterparties.

Credit exposure to any individual counterparty is restricted by credit limits that are approved based on ongoing credit evaluation. The counterparty's payment profile and credit exposure are continuously monitored at the entity level by the respective management and at the Group level. As at 31 March 2023, trade receivables from a customer represented 13% and 27% (2022: 13% and 32%) of the Group's and Company's trade receivables respectively and contributed revenue of S\$174,809,000 (2022: S\$231,498,000). The revenue is attributable to the Post and Parcel segment.

Bank deposits are placed in banks which are regulated.

(d) *Liquidity risk*

The Group and Company manage the liquidity risk by maintaining sufficient cash and cash equivalents to enable them to meet their normal operating commitments, having an adequate amount of credit facilities and the ability to close market positions at short notice.

The table below analyses the maturity profile of the Group's and Company's financial liabilities (excluding derivative financial liabilities) based on contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Less than 1 year S\$'000	Between 1 and 2 years S\$'000	Between 2 and 5 years S\$'000	Over 5 years S\$'000
<u>Group</u>				
2023				
Trade and other payables	(632,539)	(5,685)	(988)	(6,448)
Lease liabilities	(36,284)	(21,315)	(22,134)	(8,351)
Borrowings	(23,178)	(54,667)	(396,025)	(266,636)
	(692,001)	(81,667)	(419,147)	(281,435)
2022				
Trade and other payables	(667,500)	(7,113)	(1,653)	(6,508)
Lease liabilities	(33,096)	(25,924)	(22,776)	(8,515)
Borrowings	(90,851)	(12,821)	(225,547)	(272,978)
	(791,447)	(45,858)	(249,976)	(288,001)
<u>Company</u>				
2023				
Trade and other payables	(438,417)	(22,900)	(407,822)	(269,514)
Lease liabilities	(13,182)	(10,653)	(17,557)	–
	(451,599)	(33,553)	(425,379)	(269,514)
2022				
Trade and other payables	(403,072)	(11,068)	(135,777)	(276,589)
Lease liabilities	(8,677)	(6,647)	(5,803)	–
Borrowings	(50,035)	–	–	–
	(461,784)	(17,715)	(141,580)	(276,589)

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (continued)

The following table details the expected maturity for non-derivative financial assets. The inclusion of information on non-derivative financial assets is necessary in order to understand the Group's liquidity risk management as the Group's liquidity risk is managed on a net asset and liability basis. The table below has been drawn up based on the undiscounted contractual maturities of the financial assets including interest that will be earned on those assets except where the Group and the Company anticipate that the cash flow will occur in a different period.

	Less than 1 year S\$'000	Between 1 and 2 years S\$'000	Between 2 and 5 years S\$'000	Over 5 years S\$'000
<u>Group</u>				
2023				
Cash and cash equivalents	495,696	–	–	–
Trade and other receivables	230,648	4,810	1	134
Other financial assets	4,889	–	–	4,491
	731,233	4,810	1	4,625
2022				
Cash and cash equivalents	280,438	–	–	–
Trade and other receivables	233,818	4,810	1	134
Other financial assets	5,008	1,539	–	4,960
Financial assets	8,089	–	–	–
	527,353	6,349	1	5,094
	Less than 1 year S\$'000	Between 1 and 2 years S\$'000	Between 2 and 5 years S\$'000	Over 5 years S\$'000
<u>Company</u>				
2023				
Cash and cash equivalents	375,071	–	–	–
Trade and other receivables	127,256	224,562	3,152	134
Other financial assets	1,637	–	–	–
	503,964	224,562	3,152	134
2022				
Cash and cash equivalents	200,598	–	–	–
Trade and other receivables	109,712	218,340	2,260	134
Other financial assets	1,689	–	–	–
Financial assets	8,089	–	–	–
	320,088	218,340	2,260	134

The following table details the liquidity analysis for derivative financial liabilities. The table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted net cash inflows and (outflows) on the derivative instruments that settle on a net basis and the undiscounted gross inflows and (outflows) on those derivatives that require gross settlement.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(d) Liquidity risk (continued)

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Less than 1 year				
Gross settled:				
Foreign exchange contracts forward				
– Gross inflow	137,130	145,757	137,130	145,757
– Gross outflow	(137,890)	(145,918)	(137,890)	(145,918)
	(760)	(161)	(760)	(161)

(e) Capital risk

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure so as to maximise shareholder value. In order to maintain or achieve an optimal capital structure, the Group may adjust the dividend policy, return capital to shareholders, issue new shares, buy back issued shares, obtain new borrowings or sell assets.

Management monitors capital based on gearing ratio. In the management of the debt and capital structure, the Group and Company aim to sustain a strong investment-grade credit profile.

The gearing ratio is calculated as net debt / (cash) with and without perpetual securities divided by total equity. Net debt / (cash) is calculated as borrowings less cash and cash equivalents.

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Net debt / (cash)	128,694	236,570	(375,071)	(150,598)
Total equity	1,374,298	1,142,101	1,208,319	1,233,674
Gearing ratio without perpetual securities	9.4%	20.7%	(31.0%)	(12.2%)
Net debt / (cash) plus perpetual securities	380,198	236,570	(375,071)	(150,598)
Total equity	1,374,298	1,142,101	1,208,319	1,233,674
Gearing ratio with perpetual securities	27.7%	20.7%	(31.0%)	(12.2%)

The capital structure of the Group and Company consists of equity attributable to owners of the parents comprising issued capital, perpetual securities, reserves, retained earnings and borrowings disclosed in Note 28. The Group is in compliance with externally imposed capital requirements for the financial years ended 31 March 2023 and 2022.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(f) Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities

The fair values of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as exchange-traded and over-the-counter derivatives) are based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period. The quoted market prices used for financial assets are the current bid price; the appropriate quoted market prices used for financial liabilities are the current asking prices. The instruments are presented within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

The fair values of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market are determined by using valuation techniques. The Group uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions based on market conditions existing at the end of each reporting period. Where appropriate, quoted market price or dealer quotes for similar instruments are used.

The fair values of currency forwards are determined using actively quoted forward exchange rates. Other techniques, such as estimated discounted cash flows, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments. These investments are classified as Level 2 and comprise derivative financial instruments.

The fair values of financial assets designated as at FVTOCI, contingent consideration payable and put option redemption liabilities are estimated by using valuation techniques that are not based on observable market data and are accordingly classified as a Level 3 fair value measurement.

The fair values of current and non-current financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost approximate their carrying amounts, except for certain financial assets and non-current borrowings which fair values are disclosed in Notes 15 and 28 respectively.

The following table presents assets and liabilities measured at fair value and classified by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1);
- inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices) (Level 2); and
- inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(f) *Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities* (continued)

	Level 1 S\$'000	Level 2 S\$'000	Level 3 S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>				
2023				
Assets				
Financial assets designated as at FVTOCI	–	–	42,076	42,076
Derivative financial instruments	–	372	56,879	57,251
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	–	1,413	–	1,413
Contingent consideration payable	–	–	28,608	28,608
Put option redemption liabilities	–	–	72,827	72,827
2022				
Assets				
Financial assets designated as at FVTOCI	–	–	90,631	90,631
Derivative financial instruments	–	391	–	391
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	–	552	–	552
Contingent consideration payable	–	–	7,971	7,971
Put option redemption liabilities	–	–	249,215	249,215
<u>Company</u>				
2023				
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	–	372	–	372
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	–	1,132	–	1,132
2022				
Assets				
Derivative financial instruments	–	391	–	391
Liabilities				
Derivative financial instruments	–	552	–	552

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(f) *Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities* (continued)

The following table presents the changes in Level 3 instruments:

	Financial assets at FVTPL – call option S\$'000	Financial assets at FVOCI – put option S\$'000	Financial assets designated as at FVTOCI S\$'000	Contingent consideration payable S\$'000	Put option redemption liability S\$'000
2023					
Beginning of financial year	–	–	90,631	(7,971)	(249,215)
Acquisition of additional interest in a subsidiary	–	–	–	(18,696)	174,815
Acquisition of subsidiary	–	–	–	–	–
Fair value gains / (losses) recognised in	–	–	–	(12,925)	–
– Profit or loss	–	–	–	1,284	(21,719)
– Other comprehensive income	–	56,879	(48,532)	–	–
Settlement of contingent consideration	–	–	–	10,697	–
Currency translation differences	–	–	(23)	(997)	23,292
End of financial year	–	56,879	42,076	(28,608)	(72,827)
Total profit/(loss) for the year included in profit or loss for assets and liabilities held at the end of the financial year	–	–	–	1,284	(21,719)
2022					
Beginning of financial year	1,459	–	101,645	–	(5,966)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	–	–	–	(7,742)	(241,385)
Fair value losses recognised in	–	–	–	–	(1,945)
– Profit or loss	–	–	–	–	(1,945)
– Other comprehensive income	–	–	(14,957)	–	–
Exercise of call option ⁽¹⁾	(1,459)	–	–	–	–
Currency translation differences	–	–	3,943	(229)	81
End of financial year	–	–	90,631	(7,971)	(249,215)
Total loss for the year included in profit or loss for assets and liabilities held at the end of the financial year	–	–	–	–	(1,945)

⁽¹⁾ Call option was granted to the Group to acquire 13% equity interest in FMH which was exercised in 2022.

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(f) *Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities* (continued)

	Company Financial assets designated as at FVTOCI S\$'000
2022	
Beginning of financial year	4,561
Fair value loss recognised in other comprehensive income	(4,561)
End of financial year	–
Total profit for the year included in profit or loss for assets and liabilities held at the end of the financial year	–

There were no transfers between Levels 1, 2 and 3 during the year.

The following table presents the valuation techniques and key inputs that were used to determine the fair value of financial instruments categorised under Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

Description	Fair value (S\$'000) 2023	Valuation techniques	Unobservable inputs	Range of unobservable inputs 2023	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value
<u>Group</u>					
Derivatives – equity option	56,879 (2022: Nil)	Discounted cash flow approach	Risk-free rate	2.6% (2022: Nil)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation.
Financial assets designated as at FVTOCI	42,076 (2022: 90,631)	Market approach	Enterprise Value/Revenue multiple of comparable companies	0.2 – 0.3x (2022: 0.3 – 0.4x)	The higher the Enterprise Value/Revenue multiple, the higher the valuation
Put option redemption liabilities	6,663 (2022: 7,830)	Discounted cash flow approach	Discount rate	4.8 – 5.3% (2022: 4.5 – 5.0%)	The higher the discount rate, the lower the valuation
	66,164 (2022: 241,385)	Monte Carlo simulation model	EBITDA volatility	20.0% (2022: 20.0%)	The higher the volatility, the higher the valuation
			Risk-free rate	3.0 – 3.3% (2022: 1.0 – 2.6%)	The higher the risk-free rate, the higher the valuation

Nil: Not applicable

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37. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

(g) *Financial instruments by category*

The carrying amount of the different categories of financial instruments other than those disclosed in Notes 15, 17, 19 and 28 to the financial statements are as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Financial assets at amortised cost	741,193	530,950	712,078	516,983
Financial liabilities at amortised cost	550,888	557,156	1,020,651	747,300
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	101,435	257,186	–	–

(h) *Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities*

There were no financial instruments subject to enforceable master netting arrangement as at 31 March 2023 and 2022.

38. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the related party information disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the Group had the following significant transactions with its related parties at terms agreed between the parties:

(a) *Sales and purchases of goods and services*

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Services rendered to an associated company	–	2,677
Services received from associated companies	(6,765)	(3,072)
Services rendered to related companies of a substantial shareholder	11,974	13,901
Services received from related companies of a substantial shareholder	(14,526)	(16,926)
Interest received from loans to associated companies	17	92

During the financial year ended 31 March 2023, the Company made payments on behalf of subsidiaries totalling S\$2.0 million (2022: S\$5.2 million) which were subsequently reimbursed.

Outstanding balances at 31 March 2023, arising from sale/purchase of goods and services, are unsecured and receivable/payable within 12 months from the end of the reporting period and are disclosed in Notes 16 and 27 respectively.

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38. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(b) Key management personnel compensation is as follows:

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	5,421	3,793
Post-employment benefits	92	80
Share-based staff costs	806	74
	6,319	3,947

Included in the above is total compensation to non-executive directors of the Company amounting to S\$1,240,410 (2022: S\$1,222,800) based on the non-executive director remuneration framework.

The key management personnel for the financial year reflects the top 5 executive key management positions and the Group CEO as at the end of that financial year. This composition of the top 5 executive key management positions has changed during the financial year.

The total key management personnel compensation reflects the compensation of these 6 executive key management positions, 4 of whom were in service for the full financial year and 2 for a period of the financial year and for whom the remuneration is for the period of their appointment to the end of the financial year. (2022: 1 in service for the full financial year, 3 in service for the full financial year but in different capacities within the financial year and 2 for a period of the financial year and for whom the remuneration is for the period of their appointment to the end of the financial year).

39. SEGMENT INFORMATION

Management has determined the operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the Group Chief Executive Officer and Group Chief Financial Officer ("Chief Operating Decision Maker" or "CODM") that are used to make strategic decisions.

SingPost Group classifies the reporting of business units into three key business segments, namely Post and Parcel, Logistics and Property.

- **Post and Parcel** segment comprises the core postal and parcel delivery business of the Group. This includes Domestic post and parcels, International post and parcels, as well as products and services transacted at the post offices.
- **Logistics** segment comprises the logistics businesses of the Group. The services are divided into Freight forwarding and eCommerce logistics, which includes front-end related eCommerce solutions, warehousing, fulfilment, delivery and other value-added services in Asia Pacific.
- **Property** segment includes the provision of commercial property rental, as well as the self-storage business.

All other segments comprising unallocated corporate overhead items are categorised as Others.

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39. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(a) *Segment revenues and results*

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenues and results by reportable segments that were provided to the CODM for the financial years ended 31 March 2023 and 2022.

	Post and Parcel S\$'000	Logistics S\$'000	Property S\$'000	Eliminations S\$'000	Total S\$'000	All other segments S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>							
Full year ended 31 March 2023							
Revenue:							
– External	505,546	1,313,027	53,686	–	1,872,259	–	1,872,259
– Inter-segment	15,801	9,331	34,645	(59,777)	–	–	–
	521,347	1,322,358	88,331	(59,777)	1,872,259	–	1,872,259
Operating (loss) / profit	(15,874)	84,742	44,012	–	112,880	(19,714)	93,166
Full year ended 31 March 2022							
Revenue:							
– External	604,784	988,450	72,345	–	1,665,579	–	1,665,579
– Inter-segment	17,550	10,080	42,561	(70,191)	–	–	–
	622,334	998,530	114,906	(70,191)	1,665,579	–	1,665,579
Operating profit / (loss)	24,851	44,295	52,867	–	122,013	(9,939)	112,074

Sales between segments are carried out at arm's length. The revenue from external parties reported to the CODM is measured in a manner consistent with that in the statement of comprehensive income.

Reconciliation of Segment profits

The CODM assesses the performance of the operating segments based on a measure of operating profit, which is profit before interest, tax and share of results of associated companies and joint venture. Interest income and finance expenses are not allocated to segments.

A reconciliation of operating profit to profit after tax is provided as follows:

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Operating profit for reportable segments	112,880	122,013
Operating loss for all other segments	(19,714)	(9,939)
Exceptional items	(7,705)	1,858
Finance expenses	(19,623)	(14,779)
Interest income and investment income (net)	2,148	3,366
Share of profit of associated companies and joint venture	23	4,847
Profit before tax	68,009	107,366
Tax expense	(29,249)	(19,623)
Profit after tax	38,760	87,743

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39. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(b) *Segment assets*

The following is an analysis of the Group's segment assets as at 31 March 2023 and 2022 that were provided to the CODM:

	Post and Parcel S\$'000	Logistics S\$'000	Property S\$'000	Total S\$'000	All other segments S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>						
31 March 2023						
Segment assets	240,885	1,007,617	1,174,111	2,422,613	40,518	2,463,131
Segment assets include:						
Investment in associated companies	–	3,018	–	3,018	28,931	31,949
Intangible assets	4,329	496,629	–	500,958	–	500,958
31 March 2022						
Segment assets	140,154	1,008,165	1,274,804	2,423,123	48,390	2,471,513
Segment assets include:						
Investment in associated companies	–	2,575	–	2,575	31,497	34,072
Intangible assets	–	529,441	–	529,441	–	529,441

Reconciliation of segment assets

Reportable segments' assets are reconciled to total assets as follows:

Segment assets are measured in a manner consistent with that of the financial statements. The CODM does not review statement of financial position items by reportable segments, but rather monitors them at the Group level. All assets are allocated to reportable segments other than derivative financial instruments and financial assets. Cash and cash equivalents are allocated to reportable segments where applicable.

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Segment assets for reportable segments	2,422,613	2,423,123
Segments assets for all other segments	40,518	48,390
Unallocated:		
Cash and cash equivalents	374,267	199,494
Financial assets	–	8,006
Derivative financial instruments	372	391
Total assets	2,837,770	2,679,404

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39. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(c) *Other segment information*

	Post and Parcel S\$'000	Logistics S\$'000	Property S\$'000	All other segments S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>Group</u>					
2023					
Depreciation and amortisation	22,874	45,986	11,601	2,109	82,570
Additions to ⁽¹⁾ :					
– Property, plant and equipment	6,789	15,073	385	1,764	24,011
– Right-of-use assets	3,292	35,786	–	–	39,078
– Intangible assets	–	4,441	–	–	4,441
2022					
Depreciation and amortisation	22,909	29,491	18,971	3,053	74,424
Additions to ⁽¹⁾ :					
– Property, plant and equipment	2,916	14,449	3,225	1,863	22,453
– Investment properties	–	–	70	–	70
– Right-of-use assets	657	15,542	13,961	93	30,253
– Intangible assets	–	2,404	–	–	2,404

⁽¹⁾ Net of inter-segment elimination

In addition to the depreciation and amortisation reported above, impairment losses of S\$1.4 million (2022: S\$4.4 million) and S\$Nil (2022: S\$5.5 million) were recognised in respect of property, plant and equipment and assets classified as held for sale respectively. There was a reversal of impairment losses of S\$0.5 million recognised in respect of investment in and loan to associated companies in the current financial year (2022: impairment loss of S\$4.3 million).

These impairment (losses) / reversals were attributable to the following reportable segments:

	Group	
	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Post and Parcel	–	(5,093)
Logistics	(491)	(9,813)
Property	–	719
Others	(425)	–
	(916)	(14,187)

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39. SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

(d) *Revenue from major products and services*

The Group's revenue from its major products and services are disclosed in Note 4.

(e) *Geographical information*

The Group's three business segments operate in two main geographical areas:

- Singapore – the Company is headquartered and has operations in Singapore where 32% (2022: 43%) of its revenues are generated. The operations in this area comprise principally of the core postal business, post office products and services, courier activities and investment holding.
- Australia – the operations in this area are principally delivery services and e-commerce logistics solutions.
- Other countries – the operations include warehousing and logistics delivery in Japan and Hong Kong, and freight forwarding businesses in Europe and New Zealand.

	Group	
	2023	2022
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Revenue:		
Singapore	594,562	717,076
Australia	857,800	460,962
Other countries	419,897	487,541
	1,872,259	1,665,579

The geographical information on the Group's non-current assets is not presented as it is not used for segmental reporting purposes.

(f) *Information about major customers*

Included in revenues arising from Post and Parcel segment of S\$505,546,000 (2022: S\$604,784,000) are revenues of approximately S\$174,809,000 (2022: S\$231,498,000) derived from the Group's largest customer in the respective years.

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40. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES

2023

(a) During the current financial year, the following acquisitions were completed:

Parcel Santa Pte. Ltd.

On 1 April 2022, the Group acquired 100% shares and voting interest in Parcel Santa Pte. Ltd. ("Parcel Santa"). Parcel Santa is the sole provider of smart locker systems for private residences in Singapore.

Spectrum Transport Consol 1 Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport QLD Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport NSW Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport VIC Pty Ltd and Spectrum Transport Equipment Pty Ltd ("Spectrum Group")

On 30 June 2022, the Group acquired 100% of the shares and voting interest in Spectrum Group through its subsidiary, FMH. The Spectrum Group is a specialist carrier providing Business to Business Metro distribution in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne with a focus on fast-moving consumer goods ("FMCG") product.

Details at the acquisition date of the consideration paid, the fair value amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, and the effects on the cash flows of the Group, are as follows:

	Parcel Santa S\$'000	Spectrum Group S\$'000
(i) <i>Purchase consideration</i>		
Cash paid to vendor	5,224	3,796
Contingent consideration (Note (a)(iv))	–	12,925
Total purchase consideration	5,224	16,721
(ii) <i>Effect on cash flows of the Group</i>		
Effect on cash flows of the Group	5,224	3,796
Less: Cash and cash equivalent balances acquired	(55)	(983)
Cash outflow on acquisition	5,169	2,813
(iii) <i>Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, at fair value-</i>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	55	983
Trade and other receivables	337	2,806
Other current assets	12	203
	404	3,992
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	890	2,822
Intangible assets	1,258	–
	2,148	2,822
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	352	1,989
Current income tax liabilities	2	9
Other creditors and accruals	28	1,114
	382	3,112
Non-current liability		
Deferred tax liabilities	214	–
Total identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed	1,956	3,702
Add: Goodwill arising on acquisition (Note (a)(v))	3,268	13,019
Consideration	5,224	16,721

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40. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

2023 (continued)

(a) *During the current financial year, the following acquisitions were completed: (continued)*

Spectrum Transport Consol 1 Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport QLD Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport NSW Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport VIC Pty Ltd and Spectrum Transport Equipment Pty Ltd ("Spectrum Group") (continued)

(iii) *Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed, at fair value- (continued)*

The fair value of the financial assets includes receivables acquired (which principally comprised trade receivables) as below:

	Parcel Santa S\$'000	Spectrum Group S\$'000
Trade receivables		
Gross contractual value	337	2,806
Less: Loss allowance	-	-
	<u>337</u>	<u>2,806</u>

(iv) *Contingent consideration*

The contingent consideration is dependent on the Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation ("EBITDA") of Spectrum Group for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

The contingent consideration was revalued as at 31 March 2023 to S\$9,079,000 with a gain recognised for the year of S\$3,102,000 in exceptional item arising from the decrease in consideration payable by FMH on the interest in Spectrum Group. The remaining movement is attributable to translation reserves arising from foreign currency revaluation.

(v) *Goodwill arising on acquisition*

The goodwill of S\$3,268,000 arising on acquisition of Parcel Santa is attributable to the synergies expected to arise from combining the operations of the Group with Parcel Santa's network of parcel lockers.

The goodwill of S\$13,019,000 arising on acquisition of Spectrum group is attributable to synergies expected to arise from combining operations of the Group with Spectrum Group's to help to expand the Group's reach and service offering to customers in FMCG industry.

None of the goodwill is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

(vi) *Acquisition-related cost*

Acquisition-related costs of S\$235,000 are included in "administrative expenses" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and in operating cash flows in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

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40. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

2023 (continued)

(a) During the current financial year, the following acquisitions were completed: (continued)

Spectrum Transport Consol 1 Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport QLD Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport NSW Pty Ltd, Spectrum Transport VIC Pty Ltd and Spectrum Transport Equipment Pty Ltd ("Spectrum Group") (continued)

(vii) *Impact of acquisition on the results of the Group*

Parcel Santa contributed S\$1,430,000 revenue and a net loss of S\$691,000 to the Group's profit for the period between the date of acquisition and the reporting date. Spectrum Group contributed S\$21,957,000 revenue and S\$2,237,000 to the Group's profit for the period between the date of acquisition and the reporting date.

If the acquisition of Spectrum Group had been completed on the first day of the financial year, consolidated revenue and consolidated net profit for the year ended 31 March 2023 would have increased by S\$7,667,000 and S\$584,000 respectively.

2022

(b) During the preceding financial year ended 31 March 2022, the following acquisitions were completed:

Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd

On 30 November 2021, the Group acquired 23% shares and voting interests in Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd ("FMH"). As a result, the Group's interest in FMH increased from 28% to 51%, granting it control of FMH.

The principal activity of FMH is the provision of integrated supply chain and distribution solutions to customers in Australia through a 4th party logistics technology platform. Having FMH as a subsidiary will enable the Group to better derive synergies and build scale to further capitalise on the accelerated growth in eCommerce in Australia.

Andromeda Nominees Pty Ltd

On 1 March 2022, Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd, a subsidiary of the Group, acquired 100% shares and voting interests in Andromeda Nominees Pty Ltd ("Andromeda"). The principal activity of Andromeda is the provision of logistics services in Australia.

Details at the acquisition date of the consideration paid, the provisional fair value amounts of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, and the effects on the cash flows of the Group, are as follows:

	FMH S\$'000	Andromeda S\$'000
(i) <i>Purchase consideration</i>		
Cash paid to vendor	109,594	1,984
Contingent consideration (Note (b)(iv))	6,101	1,641
Total purchase consideration	115,695	3,625
(ii) <i>Effect on cash flows of the Group</i>		
Effect on cash flows of the Group	109,594	1,984
Less: Cash and cash equivalent balances acquired	–	(94)
Cash outflow on acquisition	109,594	1,890

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40. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

2022 (continued)

(b) During the preceding financial year ended 31 March 2022, the following acquisitions were completed:
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Andromeda Nominees Pty Ltd (continued)

	FMH At fair value S\$'000	Andromeda At provisional fair value S\$'000
<i>(iii) Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed-</i>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	–	94
Trade and other receivables	75,152	1,631
	<u>75,152</u>	<u>1,725</u>
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	31,613	784
Right-of-use assets	23,392	1,248
Intangible assets	57,620	–
Deferred income tax assets	5,086	–
Other non-current assets	98	–
	<u>117,809</u>	<u>2,032</u>
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	68,245	2,513
Current income tax liabilities	10,979	–
Lease liabilities	9,146	–
Borrowings	14,455	9
	<u>102,825</u>	<u>2,522</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liabilities	18,504	–
Borrowings	3,447	–
Deferred tax liabilities	13,768	–
	<u>35,719</u>	<u>–</u>
Total identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed	54,417	1,235
Add: Goodwill arising on acquisition (Note (b)(v))	181,812	2,390
Less: Fair value of previously held interest	(93,869)	–
Less: Non-controlling interest (Note (b)(vi))	(26,665)	–
Consideration	<u>115,695</u>	<u>3,625</u>

The fair value of the financial assets includes receivables acquired (which principally comprised trade receivables) as below:

	FMH S\$'000	Andromeda S\$'000
Trade receivables		
Gross contractual value	56,723	–
Less: Loss allowance	(828)	–
	<u>55,895</u>	<u>–</u>

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40. ACQUISITION OF SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

2022 (continued)

(b) *Andromeda Nominees Pty Ltd (continued)*

(iv) *Contingent consideration*

In respect of FMH, the contingent consideration is dependent on the Earnings before Interest, Taxes, Depreciation and Amortisation ("EBITDA") of FMH for the period from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022.

In respect of Andromeda, out of the total contingent consideration of S\$1,641,000, S\$661,000 is dependent on the finalisation of the net assets of Andromeda as at 1 March 2022. The remaining balance of S\$980,000 is dependent on the EBITDA of Andromeda for the period from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023.

(v) *Goodwill arising on acquisition*

In respect of FMH, the goodwill of S\$181,812,000 arising on acquisition is attributable to the synergies expected to arise from economies of scale in combining the operations of the Group to strengthen the Group's capability to provide an end-to-end Business-to-Business-to-Consumer logistics solution for customers and a seamless logistics service within Australia.

In respect of Andromeda, the goodwill of S\$2,390,000 arising on acquisition is attributable to the synergies expected to arise from economies of scale in combining the business processes and marketing with those of Andromeda.

None of the goodwill is expected to be deductible for tax purposes.

(vi) *Non-controlling interest*

The non-controlling interest (49% ownership interest in FMH) recognised amounted to S\$26,665,000 and was measured by reference to the share of fair value of the net identifiable assets and liabilities on acquisition date.

(vii) *Acquisition-related cost*

Acquisition-related costs of S\$414,000 are included in "exceptional items" in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income and in operating cash flows in the consolidated statement of cash flows.

(viii) *Impact of acquisition on the results of the Group*

FMH contributed S\$178,662,000 revenue and S\$4,769,000 to the Group's profit for the period between the date of acquisition and the reporting date.

If the acquisition of FMH had been completed on the first day of the financial year, consolidated revenue and consolidated net profit for the year ended 31 March 2022 would have increased by S\$291,454,000 and S\$8,850,000 respectively.

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41. LOSS OF CONTROL OF SUBSIDIARIES

(a) *General Storage Company Pte. Ltd.*

On 22 December 2021, the Group disposed its entire interests in a wholly-owned subsidiary, General Storage Company Pte. Ltd. ("GSC") to an external party.

The net assets of GSC and its subsidiaries at the date of disposal were as follows:

Carrying amounts of net assets over which control was lost

	2022 S\$'000
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	14,766
Trade and other receivables	322
Inventories	14
Other current assets	1,585
	<u>16,687</u>
Non-current assets	
Investment properties	53,321
Property, plant and equipment	12,369
Right-of-use assets	20,922
Intangible assets	30,697
Other non-current assets	16
	<u>117,325</u>
Total assets	<u>134,012</u>
Current liabilities	
Trade and other payables	3,806
Current income tax liabilities	719
Lease liabilities	7,258
Contract liabilities	5,762
Borrowings	1,454
	<u>18,999</u>
Non-current liabilities	
Trade and other payables	1,043
Lease liabilities	19,380
Borrowings	4,509
Deferred tax liabilities	1,879
	<u>26,811</u>
Total liabilities	<u>45,810</u>
Net assets derecognised	<u>88,202</u>
Net financial impact on disposal	
Consideration received	87,205
Net assets derecognised	(88,202)
Cumulative exchange differences in respect of the net assets of the subsidiary reclassified from equity on loss of control of subsidiary	872
Legal fees and other related expenses for disposal of subsidiary	(5,714)
Net financial impact on disposal⁽¹⁾	<u>(5,839)</u>

⁽¹⁾ Before considering the effect of transfer of revaluation gain on property, plant and equipment and other capital reserve of S\$6,017,000 directly to retained earnings (Note 9).

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41. LOSS OF CONTROL OF SUBSIDIARIES (continued)

(b) Other subsidiaries

The net assets of other subsidiaries at the date of disposal / deconsolidation were as follows:

Carrying amounts of net assets over which control was lost

	2022 S\$'000
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	625
Trade and other receivables	744
	<u>1,369</u>
Current liabilities	
Trade and other payables	1,449
Contract liabilities	68
	<u>1,517</u>
Net liabilities derecognised	<u>(148)</u>
Net financial impact on disposal	
Consideration received	–
Net liabilities derecognised	148
Cumulative exchange differences in respect of the net assets of the subsidiaries reclassified from equity on loss of control of subsidiaries	(626)
Net financial impact on disposal	<u>(478)</u>

42. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

1st Arbitration

A non-controlling shareholder (the "Claimant") of Famous Holdings Pte Ltd ("FHPL"), a subsidiary of the Company, had exercised his put option in respect of his remaining 37.5% shares in FHPL in September 2016. As there were differences between the parties on the final valuation of the put option, the Claimant commenced arbitration proceedings against the Company in 2017 (the "1st Arbitration").

On 3 June 2020, the arbitral tribunal issued its partial award with respect to the 1st Arbitration (the "1st Partial Award for the 1st Arbitration") and dismissed the Claimant's various claims against the Company for damages for breach of a shareholders' agreement (the "SHA"), conspiracy and inducement of breach of contract. The tribunal also ruled in the Company's favour on material accounting and computational issues under the SHA, which are the most significant determinants of what sums, if any, are due to be paid either by the Company to the Claimant, or by the Claimant to the Company, for the transfer of the Claimant's remaining 37.5% shares in FHPL to the Company. Based on its findings, the tribunal directed the parties to see if they can agree on the final amount payable for the transfer of the Claimant's 37.5% shares in FHPL to the Company, failing which the tribunal will make a final determination.

As there was divergence between the Company and the Claimant on the precise computation for the final amount payable, on 19 January 2022, the tribunal issued a further partial award in respect of the 1st Arbitration (the "2nd Partial Award for the 1st Arbitration") that, amongst others, applies one out of several computation methodologies that were submitted by the parties within the parameters of the 1st Partial Award for the 1st Arbitration. The tribunal has not ruled on the final amount, but the tribunal's determination on the computation methodology, which remains subject to tax and minority interest adjustments, would entail the Company paying the Claimant for his 37.5% shares in FHPL at a fair value that would not have a material impact on the Group's net tangible assets or earnings per share for the financial year ended 31 March 2023.

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42. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (continued)

2nd Arbitration

In addition to the 1st Arbitration, a second arbitration was commenced by the Claimant against FHPL and SingPost Logistics Investments Pte Ltd ("SPLI"), a subsidiary of the company, on 15 and 16 September 2021 (viz., the 2nd Arbitration), in which the Claimant alleged breaches of a shareholders' agreement (viz., the SHA), minority oppression, the existence of a conspiracy, and his purported entitlement to dividends. On 29 March 2023, the arbitral tribunal issued an award dismissing all of the Claimant's claims against SPLI and FHPL in the 2nd Arbitration (the "Final Partial Award"). The Final Partial Award was declared as immediately enforceable and matters relating to costs were reserved to a further award.

3rd Arbitration

A third arbitration was separately commenced by the Claimant against SPLI on 22 February 2022 (viz., the 3rd Arbitration), in which the Claimant alleged breaches of the SHA which impacted the final amount payable by the Company for the Claimant's remaining 37.5% shares in FHPL which are the subject of the 1st Arbitration. The Claimant had initially quantified his claim at S\$16,514,000 plus interest, based on his Statement of Claim filed on 8 August 2022. Based on the revised Statement of Claim and supporting documentation re-filed by the Claimant on 29 October 2022 and 1 November 2022, the Claimant changed the quantum of his claim to S\$13,997,000 plus interest.

High Court Proceedings and 4th Arbitration

The Claimant had also commenced proceedings against the Company in the High Court. Based on the Statement of Claim which was served on the Company on 26 September 2022, it was alleged that the Claimant suffered loss and damage as a result of the Company's conduct in the 1st Arbitration. The Claimant had alleged that the Company had engaged in fraud and/or concealed material evidence as regards the independence of a mutually appointed human resource consultant for the provision of market benchmarks on certain key management roles under the share purchase agreement in relation to FHPL and its subsidiaries (the "SPA"), and which allegedly has had an impact on the decisions of the arbitral tribunal in the partial awards in respect of the 1st Arbitration. The Claimant had sought declarations from the High Court that the partial awards issued in the 1st Arbitration are null and void and/or unenforceable as against him and that the human resource consultant was not properly appointed under the SPA. He further claimed for damages to be assessed and for interest, costs and such other relief as the High Court deems just. Subsequently, the Claimant served a Notice of Arbitration on the Company on 28 December 2022 (viz., the 4th Arbitration) and has since discontinued his claim in the High Court. The allegations in the Notice of Arbitration are similar to those in the discontinued claim in the High Court, and the Claimant is seeking for damages to be assessed. Given the nature of the relief being sought by the Claimant, the potential financial impact of the 4th Arbitration cannot be quantified at this stage.

The Company will, in consultation with its advisors, continue to evaluate the various courses of action available to the Group.

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43. PRONOUNCEMENTS ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following SFRS(I) and IFRS pronouncements were issued but not effective and are applicable to the Group and the Company.

Effective for financial year beginning on 1 April 2023

- Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-8: *Definition of Accounting Estimates*
- Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-1 and SFRS(I) Practice Statement 2: *Disclosure of Accounting Policies*
- Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-12: *Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction*
- Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-12: *International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules*

Effective for financial year beginning on 1 April 2024

- Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-1: *Non-current Liabilities with Covenant*
- Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-1: *Classification of liabilities as current or non-current*

Management anticipates that the adoption of the above SFRS(I)s, SFRS(I) INTs and amendments to SFRS(I)/ IFRS in future periods will not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group and of the Company in the period of their initial adoption except for the following:

Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-1: Non-current Liabilities with Covenants

The amendments issued by Accounting Standards Committee (AS Committee) in December 2022 (2022 amendments) specify that only covenants that an entity is required to comply with on or before the end of the reporting period affect the entity's right to defer settlement of a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting date (and therefore must be considered in assessing the classification of the liability as current or non-current). Such covenants affect whether the right exists at the end of the reporting period, even if compliance with the covenant is assessed only after the reporting date (e.g. a covenant based on the entity's financial position at the reporting date that is assessed for compliance only after the reporting date).

The right to defer settlement is not affected if an entity only has to comply with a covenant after the reporting period. However, if the entity's right to defer settlement of a liability is subject to the entity complying with covenants within twelve months after the reporting period, an entity disclose information that enables users of financial statements to understand the risk of the liabilities becoming repayable within twelve months after the reporting period.

This would include information about the covenants (including the nature of the covenants and when the entity is required to comply with them), the carrying amount of related liabilities and facts and circumstances, if any, that indicate that the entity may have difficulties complying with the covenants.

The amendments are applied retrospectively for annual reporting period beginning on 1 April 2024, with earlier application permitted. If an entity applies the 2022 amendments for an earlier period, it is also required to apply the 2020 amendments for the same period.

Amendments to SFRS(I) 1-12: International Tax Reform – Pillar Two Model Rules

The amendments issued by AS Committee in May 2023 applies to income taxes arising from tax law enacted or substantively enacted to implement the Pillar Two model rules published by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ("OECD"), including tax law that implements qualified domestic minimum top-up taxes described in those rules. Such tax law, and the income taxes arising from it, are hereafter referred to as 'Pillar Two legislation' and 'Pillar Two income taxes'

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43. PRONOUNCEMENTS ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE (continued)

These amendments introduce:

- An exception to the requirements in SFRS(I) 1-12 that an entity does not recognise and does not disclose information about deferred tax assets and liabilities related to the OECD pillar two income taxes. An entity has to disclose that it has applied the exception.
- A disclosure requirement that an entity has to disclose separately its current tax expense (income) related to pillar two income taxes.
- A disclosure requirement that state that in periods in which pillar two legislation is enacted or substantively enacted, but not yet in effect, an entity discloses known or reasonably estimable information that helps users of financial statements understand the entity's exposure to pillar two income taxes arising from that legislation.

When an entity applies the exception, it is required to disclose that it has applied the exception immediately upon issuance of the amendments and retrospectively in accordance with SFRS(I) 1-8. The Group has subsidiaries which operate in jurisdiction where Pillar Two legislation has been substantively enacted and has applied the exception. The remaining disclosure requirements are required for annual reporting period beginning on 1 April 2023.

Management is closely monitoring the progress of the legislative process in each jurisdiction the Group operates in and has yet to complete its detailed assessment.

44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held			
			by the Group		by the NCI	
			2023	2022	2023	2022
			%	%	%	%
SUBSIDIARIES						
<u>Held by the Company</u>						
Singapore Post Enterprise Private Limited	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Logistics Holdings Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Investments Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Logistics Investments Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Group Treasury Pte Ltd	Provision of financial and treasury services to its related companies	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost eCommerce Pte. Ltd.	eCommerce specialising in the provision of online sale of products	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost eCommerce II Pte. Ltd. ⁽⁹⁾	Dormant	Singapore	–	100	–	–

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44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held			
			by the Group		by the NCI	
			2023	2022	2023	2022
			%	%	%	%
SUBSIDIARIES (continued)						
<u>Held by subsidiaries</u>						
SingPost Logistics Enterprise Pte. Ltd	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Logistics Australia Holdings Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	100	100	–	–
SingPost Australia Investments Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	100	100	–	–
Quantium Solutions (Taiwan) Co., Ltd.	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Taiwan	100	66	–	34
Quantium Solutions International Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding, provision of management and consultancy services to related entities	Singapore	66	66	34	34
Quantium Solutions (Singapore) Pte. Ltd.	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Singapore	66	66	34	34
Quantium Solutions (Australia) Pty Ltd	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Australia	66	66	34	34
Quantium Solutions (Hong Kong) Limited	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Hong Kong	66	66	34	34
Quantium Mail Logistics Solutions (India) Private Limited ⁽⁷⁾	Dormant	India	66	66	34	34
Quantium Express Solutions (India) Private Limited ⁽⁷⁾	Dormant	India	66	66	34	34
PT Quantum Solutions Logistics Indonesia ⁺	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Indonesia	44.22	44.22	55.78	55.78
Quantium Solutions (Japan) Inc.	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Japan	66	66	34	34

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44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held			
			by the Group 2023 %	2022 %	by the NCI 2023 %	2022 %
SUBSIDIARIES (continued)						
<u>Held by subsidiaries</u> (continued)						
Quantium Solutions International (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Malaysia	66	66	34	34
Quantium Solutions (New Zealand) Pty Limited	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	New Zealand	66	66	34	34
Quantium Solutions (Thailand) Co., Ltd.	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Thailand	66	66	34	34
Couriers Please Holdings Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	100	100	–	–
Couriers Please Australia Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	100	100	–	–
Couriers Please Pty Limited	Provision of delivery services and eCommerce logistics solutions	Australia	100	100	–	–
Freight Management Holdings Pty Ltd	Investment holding and provision of integrated supply chain and distribution services	Australia	88	51	12	49
efm Logistics Pty Ltd (formerly efm Logistics Services Group Pty Ltd)	Provision of logistics consulting and warehousing services	Australia	88	51	12	49
LHA Network Services Pty Ltd (formerly efm Logistics Pty Ltd)	Provision of logistics consulting and warehousing services	Australia	88	51	12	49
Logistics Holdings Australia Pty Ltd	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
Logistics Holdings Industrial Pty Ltd	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
BagTrans Group Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	88	51	12	49
BagTrans Logistics Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	88	51	12	49

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44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held			
			by the Group		by the NCI	
			2023	2022	2023	2022
			%	%	%	%
SUBSIDIARIES (continued)						
<u>Held by subsidiaries (continued)</u>						
BagTrans Pty Limited	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
BTH2 Pty. Limited	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
BagTrans Holdings Pty Limited	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
BagTrans Operations (Depot) Pty Ltd ⁽⁷⁾	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
BagTrans Operations (Local) Pty Ltd	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
BagTrans Operations (Management) Pty Ltd	Provision of management and consultancy services to related entities	Australia	88	51	12	49
Flemington Fields Pty Ltd	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
Otway Logistics Pty Ltd	Investment holding	Australia	88	51	12	49
Niche Logistics Pty Ltd	Provision of freight logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
Flip Group Technologies Pty Ltd	Provision of management and system support related services to its related entities	Australia	88	51	12	49
Flip Technologies Pty Ltd	Provision of management and system support related services to its related entities	Australia	88	51	12	49
Andromeda Nominees Pty. Ltd.	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	51	12	49
Spectrum Transport Consol 1 Pty Ltd (formerly A.C.N. 660 608 417 Pty Ltd)	Investment holding	Australia	88	–	12	–
Spectrum Transport QLD Pty Ltd (formerly Belperio Transport QLD Pty Ltd)	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	–	12	–

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44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held			
			by the Group 2023 %	2022 %	by the NCI 2023 %	2022 %
SUBSIDIARIES (continued)						
<u>Held by subsidiaries</u> (continued)						
Spectrum Transport NSW Pty Ltd (formerly Belperio Transport NSW Pty Ltd)	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	–	12	–
Spectrum Transport VIC Pty Ltd	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	–	12	–
Spectrum Transport Equipment Pty Ltd	Provision of logistics services	Australia	88	–	12	–
Famous Holdings Pte Ltd	Investment holding and provision of management services	Singapore	100	100	–	–
Famous Air & Sea Services Pte. Ltd.	Freight forwarding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
FPS Global Logistics Pte. Ltd.	Freight forwarding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
Famous Pacific Shipping (WA) Pty Ltd	Freight collections transhipments	Australia	100	100	–	–
Sino-Famous Intertrans Co., Ltd ⁽⁸⁾	Freight forwarding	China	–	100	–	–
Famous Container Lines Co Ltd ⁽⁸⁾	Freight forwarding	China	–	100	–	–
Shinyei Shipping Co Ltd ⁽¹⁾	Freight forwarding	Japan	89	89	11	11
Tras - Inter Co., Ltd ⁽¹⁾	Customs brokerage and freight forwarding	Japan	89	89	11	11
FPS Famous Pacific Shipping Sdn. Bhd.	Freight forwarding	Malaysia	100	100	–	–
Rotterdam Harbour Holding B.V. ⁽²⁾	Investment holdings	Netherlands	85	85	15	15
FPS Famous Pacific Shipping B.V. ⁽¹⁾	Logistics services	Netherlands	85	85	15	15
Trans Ocean Pacific Forwarding B.V. ⁽¹⁾	Logistics services	Netherlands	85	85	15	15
Famous Pacific Shipping (NZ) Limited	Freight forwarding	New Zealand	100	100	–	–

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44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held			
			by the Group		by the NCI	
			2023	2022	2023	2022
			%	%	%	%
SUBSIDIARIES (continued)						
<u>Held by subsidiaries (continued)</u>						
Mercury Worldwide (NZ) Limited ⁽¹⁾	Dormant	New Zealand	100	100	–	–
F.S. Mackenzie Limited	Freight forwarding	United Kingdom	100	100	–	–
SingPost Investments (Tampines) Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding and real estate activities with owned or leased property	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Investments (Toh Guan) Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Investments (Ecommerce Logistics) Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost Centre (Retail) Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SingPost eCommerce Logistics Holdings Pte. Ltd.	Investment holding	Singapore	100	100	–	–
SP Parcels Pte. Ltd. ⁽⁹⁾	Dormant	Singapore	–	100	–	–
SP eCommerce (Thailand) Co Ltd ⁽¹⁾	eCommerce specialising in the provision of online shopping platforms and services	Thailand	100	100	–	–
SP eCommerce (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.	eCommerce specialising in the provision of online shopping platforms and services	Malaysia	100	100	–	–
SingPost Distribution Pte. Ltd. ⁽⁹⁾	Dormant	Singapore	–	100	–	–
TradeGlobal Asia Holdings Limited ⁽³⁾	Investment holding	Hong Kong	100	100	–	–
Parcel Santa Pte. Ltd. ⁽¹⁰⁾	Provision of eCommerce logistics solutions	Singapore	100	–	–	–

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44. LISTING OF COMPANIES IN THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Principal activities	Place of incorporation	Percentage of effective equity held by the Group	
			2023 %	2022 %
ASSOCIATED COMPANIES				
<u>Held by the Company</u>				
GDEX Berhad [^]	Investment holding	Malaysia	12.27	12.12
<u>Held by subsidiaries</u>				
Dash Logistics Company Ltd ^{(3) ^}	Provision of integrated logistics, freight and transport management and aviation services	Vietnam	30	30
Efficient E-Solutions Berhad ⁽⁴⁾	Provision of data print, record management, data and document processing	Malaysia	20.81	20.81
Hubbed Holdings Pty Ltd ⁽⁵⁾	eCommerce and logistics retail network	Australia	–	30
Morning Express & Logistics Limited ⁽⁶⁾	Provision of courier services and provision of management services to its related company	Hong Kong	33	33
JOINT VENTURES				
<u>Held by subsidiaries</u>				
PT Trio SPeCommerce Indonesia ⁽¹⁾	Dormant	Indonesia	33	33
Paya Lebar Central Partnership Limited	Provision of management consultancy services	Singapore	33.33	33.33

Notes

All companies as at 31 March 2023 are audited by member firms of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited, except for the following:

⁽¹⁾ Not required to be audited for the financial year ended 31 March 2023

⁽²⁾ Audited by Crowe Peak Audit & Assurance, The Netherlands

⁽³⁾ Audited by local statutory auditors in the countries of incorporation

⁽⁴⁾ Audited by Russel Bedford LC & Company, Malaysia

⁽⁵⁾ Divested during the financial year ended 31 March 2023

⁽⁶⁾ Audited by HKCMCPA Company Limited

⁽⁷⁾ Placed under members' voluntary liquidation since financial year ended 31 March 2021

⁽⁸⁾ Divested during the financial year ended 31 March 2023

⁽⁹⁾ Struck off pursuant to Section 344A of the Companies Act 1967 of Singapore during the financial year ended 31 March 2023

⁽¹⁰⁾ Acquired during the financial year ended 31 March 2023

⁺ It is considered to be a subsidiary of the Company as the Company can exercise control over its financial and operating policies and voting rights.

[^] It is considered to be an associate of the Company as the Company can exercise significant influence over its financial and operating policies and voting rights

SGX LISTING MANUAL REQUIREMENTS

For the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. MATERIAL CONTRACTS

There are no material contracts entered into by SingPost or any of its subsidiaries involving the interests of the chief executive officer, each director or controlling shareholder (as defined in the SGX Listing Manual), either still subsisting at the end of the financial year, or if not then subsisting, entered into since the end of the previous financial year.

2. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

(a) Auditors' fees

	2023 S\$'000	2022 S\$'000
Fees on audit services paid / payable to :		
– Auditor of the Company *	1,510	1,220
– Other auditor	255	443
Fees on non-audit services paid / payable to :		
– Auditor of the Company *	64	68
– Other auditor	3	126
	1,832	1,857

* Includes the network of member firms of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited

(b) Appointment of auditors

The Group has complied with Rule 712 and Rule 715 or 716 of the Listing Manual issued by Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited in relation to its auditors.

(c) Review of the provision of non-audit services by the auditors

The Audit Committee has undertaken a review of non-audit services provided by the auditor and they would not, in the opinion of the Audit Committee's opinion, affect their independence.

(d) Internal controls

Please refer to information disclosed under Principle 10 of the Corporate Governance Report.

3. USE OF PROCEEDS

As at 31 March 2023, the use of net proceeds of approximately S\$184.0 million (after deducting approximately S\$3.2 million professional fees and expenses) from the issuance of 107,553,907 ordinary shares in the capital of the Company to Alibaba Investment Limited on 11 January 2017 at S\$1.74 has been fully utilised and in accordance with the intended use of proceeds, as follows:

Intended Use of Proceeds	Percentage Allocated / Amount Allocated	Percentage Utilised / Amount Utilised
(i) the Group's business of eCommerce logistics for purposes such as investments, mergers and acquisitions and the upgrade of the Group's operations and information technology systems relating to the eCommerce logistics business	75% / S\$138.0 million	75% / S\$138.0 million
(ii) the general working capital of the Group was largely used to repay the working capital funding for SingPost Centre Retail Mall construction	25% / S\$46.0 million	25% / S\$46.0 million

SGX LISTING MANUAL REQUIREMENTS

For the Financial Year Ended 31 March 2023

4. INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

During the full year ended 31 March 2023, the following interested person transactions were entered into by the Group:

	Nature of Relationship	Aggregate value of all interested person transactions during the financial period (excluding transactions less than S\$100,000 and transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920)		Aggregate value of all interested person transactions conducted under shareholders' mandate pursuant to Rule 920 (excluding transactions less than S\$100,000)	
		2023	2022	2023	2022
		S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Sales					
Singapore Telecommunications Group	Each interested person is an associate of Singapore Post	–	–	12,625 *	–
SP Group	Limited's controlling shareholder, Temasek	–	–	–	848 *
Starhub Group	Holdings (Private) Limited	–	–	140	366
		–	–	12,765	1,214
Purchases					
CapitaLand Group		–	–	3,679 *	1,327 *
Mapletree Industrial Trust		–	–	–	1,407 *
PSA Corporation		–	–	–	2,378 *
Sembcorp Group	Each interested person is an associate of Singapore Post	–	–	13,782 *	9,390
Singapore Airlines Group	Limited's controlling shareholder, Temasek	–	–	–	21,266
Singapore Technologies Telemedia Pte Ltd	Holdings (Private) Limited	–	–	–	216 *
Singapore Telecommunications Group		–	–	28,304 *	–
SMRT Corporation		–	–	–	741 *
Starhub Group		–	–	–	193 *
		–	–	45,765	36,918
Total interested person transactions		–	–	58,530	38,132

Note

All the transactions set out in the above table were based on the Group's interested person transactions register. They were either based on contractual values for the duration of the contracts (which vary from 1 month to 5 years) or annual values for open-ended contracts.

* Include contracts of duration exceeding one year.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTOR SEEKING RE-ELECTION

Name of Director	Bob Tan Beng Hai
Date of Appointment	10 October 2016
Date of last re-appointment (if applicable)	15 July 2021
Age	71
Country of Principal Residence	Singapore
The Board's comments on this appointment (including rationale, selection criteria, and the search and nomination process)	<p>Mr Tan has continued to discharge his duties well and to positively contribute to the Company.</p> <p>For more details on the NCGC's evaluation process, please refer to Principle 4: Board Membership on Pages 66 to 68 of the Annual Report.</p>
Whether appointment is executive, and if so, the area of responsibility	Non-Executive
Job Title (e.g. Lead ID, AC Chairman, AC Member etc.)	<p>Non-Executive, Independent Director</p> <p>Chairman of the Compensation Committee</p> <p>Member of the Audit Committee</p> <p>Member of the Board Risk and Technology Committee</p>
Professional qualifications	<p>Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales</p> <p>Fellow, Singapore Institute of Directors</p>
Working experience and occupation(s) during the past 10 years	Chairman and director of various listed and non-listed public companies
Shareholding interest in the listed issuer and its subsidiaries?	No
Shareholding Details	Nil
Any relationship (including immediate family relationships) with any existing director, existing executive officer, the issuer and/or substantial shareholder of the listed issuer or of any of its principal subsidiaries	Nil
Conflict of interest (including any competing business)	Nil
Undertaking (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720(1) has been submitted to the listed issuer	Yes

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTOR SEEKING RE-ELECTION

Name of Director	Bob Tan Beng Hai
<p>Past (for the last 5 years)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singapore Manufacturing Federation (Member of Board of Governors) • Singapore LNG Corporation Pte Ltd (Chairman) • Institute of Technical Education (Chairman and Board Member) • Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (Board Member) • SINGEX Holdings Pte Ltd (Chairman) • Sembcorp Marine Ltd (Director) • NTUC Club Management Council (Member) • Ong Teng Cheong Labour Leadership Institute (Board Member)
<p>Present</p>	<p><u>Other principal commitments:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jurong Engineering Ltd (Chairman) • Sentosa Development Corporation (Chairman) • Managers of CapitaLand Ascott Trust (Chairman)* • SBS Transit Ltd (Chairman) <p><u>Other listed companies:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managers of CapitaLand Ascott Trust (Chairman)* • SBS Transit Ltd (Chairman) <p><u>Other non-listed companies:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monetary Authority of Singapore (Member of Corporate Governance Advisory Committee) • Monetary Authority of Singapore (Member of Securities Industry Council) <p>* Managers of CapitaLand Ascott Trust comprising CapitaLand Ascott Trust Management Limited (Manager of CapitaLand Ascott Real Estate Investment Trust, or "CapitaLand Ascott REIT") and CapitaLand Ascott Business Trust Management Pte. Ltd. (Trustee-Manager of CapitaLand Ascott Business Trust, or "CapitaLand Ascott BT"). CapitaLand Ascott Trust is a stapled group comprising CapitaLand Ascott REIT and CapitaLand Ascott BT.</p>
<p>(a) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any bankruptcy law of any jurisdiction was filed against him or against a partnership of which he was a partner at the time when he was a partner or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a partner?</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>(b) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, an application or a petition under any law of any jurisdiction was filed against an entity (not being a partnership) of which he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive, at the time when he was a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity or at any time within 2 years from the date he ceased to be a director or an equivalent person or a key executive of that entity, for the winding up or dissolution of that entity or, where that entity is the trustee of a business trust, that business trust, on the ground of insolvency?</p>	<p>No</p>

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTOR SEEKING RE-ELECTION

Name of Director	Bob Tan Beng Hai
(c) Whether there is any unsatisfied judgment against him?	No
(d) Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving fraud or dishonesty which is punishable with imprisonment, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such purpose?	No
(e) Whether he has ever been convicted of any offence, in Singapore or elsewhere, involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or has been the subject of any criminal proceedings (including any pending criminal proceedings of which he is aware) for such breach?	No
(f) Whether at any time during the last 10 years, judgment has been entered against him in any civil proceedings in Singapore or elsewhere involving a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, or a finding of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part, or he has been the subject of any civil proceedings (including any pending civil proceedings of which he is aware) involving an allegation of fraud, misrepresentation or dishonesty on his part?	No
(g) Whether he has ever been convicted in Singapore or elsewhere of any offence in connection with the formation or management of any entity or business trust?	No
(h) Whether he has ever been disqualified from acting as a director or an equivalent person of any entity (including the trustee of a business trust), or from taking part directly or indirectly in the management of any entity or business trust?	No
(i) Whether he has ever been the subject of any order, judgment or ruling of any court, tribunal or governmental body, permanently or temporarily enjoining him from engaging in any type of business practice or activity?	No

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DIRECTOR SEEKING RE-ELECTION

Name of Director	Bob Tan Beng Hai
(j) Whether he has ever, to his knowledge, been concerned with the management or conduct, in Singapore or elsewhere, of the affairs of : –	
(i) any corporation which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing corporations in Singapore or elsewhere; or	No
(ii) any entity (not being a corporation) which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing such entities in Singapore or elsewhere; or	No
(iii) any business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement governing business trusts in Singapore or elsewhere; or	No
(iv) any entity or business trust which has been investigated for a breach of any law or regulatory requirement that relates to the securities or futures industry in Singapore or elsewhere, in connection with any matter occurring or arising during that period when he was so concerned with the entity or business trust?	No
(k) Whether he has been the subject of any current or past investigation or disciplinary proceedings, or has been reprimanded or issued any warning, by the Monetary Authority of Singapore or any other regulatory authority, exchange, professional body or government agency, whether in Singapore or elsewhere?	No

SHAREHOLDING STATISTICS

As at 25 May 2023

No. of Issued Shares	:	2,275,089,525
No. of Issued Shares excluding Treasury Shares	:	2,249,740,048
No. of Treasury Shares held	:	25,349,477
No. of Subsidiary Holdings held	:	Nil
Percentage of the aggregate no. of Treasury Shares and Subsidiary Holdings held	:	1.13%
Class of Shares	:	Ordinary Shares
No. of Shareholders	:	34,589

VOTING RIGHTS (EXCLUDING TREASURY SHARES)

On show of hands – each member present in person and each proxy shall have one vote.

On poll – every member present in person or by proxy shall have one vote for every share he holds or represents.

(The Company cannot exercise any voting rights in respect of shares held by it as treasury shares or subsidiary holdings⁽¹⁾)

Note

⁽¹⁾ "Subsidiary holdings" is defined in the Listing Manual to mean shares referred to in Sections 21(4), 21(4B), 21(6A) and 21(6C) of the Companies Act 1967.

Substantial Shareholders	No. of Shares	
	Direct Interest	Deemed Interest
Temasek Holdings (Private) Limited	–	494,980,081 ⁽¹⁾
Singapore Telecommunications Limited	494,000,000	–
Alibaba Investment Limited	327,649,907	–
Alibaba Group Holding Limited	–	327,649,907 ⁽²⁾
SoftBank Group Corp.	–	327,649,907 ⁽³⁾

Notes

⁽¹⁾ Deemed through its subsidiary, Singapore Telecommunications Limited, and its associated company, DBS Group Holdings Ltd.

⁽²⁾ Deemed through its subsidiary, Alibaba Investment Limited.

⁽³⁾ Deemed through Alibaba Group Holding Limited which is the holding company of Alibaba Investment Limited.

ANALYSIS OF SHAREHOLDERS

Range of Shareholdings	No. of Shareholders	%	No. of Shares (Excluding Treasury Shares)	%*
1 – 99	83	0.24	3,006	0.00
100 – 1,000	4,166	12.04	3,836,154	0.17
1,001 – 10,000	19,233	55.60	105,790,102	4.70
10,001 – 1,000,000	11,039	31.92	571,906,546	25.42
1,000,001 and above	68	0.20	1,568,204,240	69.71
	34,589	100.00	2,249,740,048	100.00

Note

* the percentage of issued ordinary shares is calculated based on the number of issued ordinary shares as at 25 May 2023, excluding any ordinary shares held in treasury as at that date.

SHAREHOLDING STATISTICS

As at 25 May 2023

MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS LIST – TOP 20

No.	Name	No. of Shares Held	%*
1	Singapore Telecommunications Limited	494,000,000	21.96
2	Raffles Nominees (Pte) Limited	386,938,828	17.20
3	Citibank Nominees Singapore Pte Ltd	214,203,929	9.52
4	DBS Nominees Pte Ltd	134,889,205	6.00
5	DBSN Services Pte Ltd	38,564,595	1.71
6	HSBC (Singapore) Nominees Pte Ltd	33,629,183	1.49
7	United Overseas Bank Nominees (Private) Limited	29,246,265	1.30
8	Phillip Securities Pte Ltd	19,433,307	0.86
9	OCBC Nominees Singapore Private Limited	18,265,300	0.81
10	Heng Siew Eng	12,487,200	0.56
11	BPSS Nominees Singapore (Pte.) Ltd.	12,449,067	0.55
12	OCBC Securities Private Ltd	10,674,430	0.47
13	Toh Capital Pte Ltd	10,326,800	0.46
14	Yongsheng (S) Holdings Pte Ltd	10,000,000	0.44
15	CGS-CIMB Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd	8,436,680	0.38
16	IFast Financial Pte Ltd	8,315,599	0.37
17	UOB Kay Hian Pte Ltd	8,224,300	0.37
18	Soon Li Heng Civil Engineering Pte Ltd.	8,000,000	0.36
19	Maybank Securities Pte. Ltd.	7,501,455	0.33
20	Sunrise Textile Accessories (Pte.) Ltd	6,900,000	0.31
		1,472,486,143	65.45

Note

* the percentage of issued ordinary shares is calculated based on the number of issued ordinary shares as at 25 May 2023, excluding any ordinary shares held in treasury as at that date.

SHAREHOLDING HELD IN HANDS OF PUBLIC

Based on information available to the Company as at 25 May 2023, approximately 63.48% of the issued ordinary shares (excluding ordinary shares held in treasury) are held by the public and therefore, Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited is complied with.

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