

**ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C and its
subsidiary
Sharjah - United Arab Emirates**

**Independent auditor's review report and
condensed consolidated interim financial
statements
For the nine months period ended
September 30, 2024**

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Sharjah - United Arab Emirates
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General information**

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Independent auditor's review report on condensed consolidated interim financial statements

To,
The Shareholders
ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C and its subsidiary
P.O. Box: 5440
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Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed consolidated interim financial statements of **ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C** (the "Entity") and its subsidiary (together the "Group"), Sharjah, United Arab Emirates which comprise the condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position as at September 30, 2024, and the related condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity and condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows for the nine months period then ended and other explanatory notes. Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements in accordance with International Accounting Standard, IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on these condensed consolidated interim financial information based on our review.

Scope of Review

We conducted our review in accordance with International Standards on Review Engagements 2410, 'Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity'. A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently, does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the nine months period ended September 30, 2024 are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34 'Interim Financial Reporting'.

For, Crowe Mak



Dr. Khalid Maniar
Registered Auditor Number: 24
Sharjah, United Arab Emirates
November 13, 2024



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	Notes	September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2023 (Audited)
Assets			
<i>Non-current assets</i>			
Property, plant and equipment		81,217	115,773
Investment properties	4	103,650,000	103,650,000
Right-of-use assets	5	93,282	445,067
Investments carried at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI)	6	14,656,678	14,599,128
Total non-current assets		118,481,177	118,809,968
<i>Current assets</i>			
Investments carried at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	7	1,176,377	635,946
Non-current assets held for sale	8	33,100,000	33,100,000
Trade and other receivables		636,222	1,240,216
Cash and bank balances		1,967,639	959,461
Total current assets		36,880,238	35,935,623
Total assets		155,361,415	154,745,591
Equity and liabilities			
<i>Equity</i>			
Share capital		78,901,086	78,901,086
Statutory reserve		33,190,039	33,190,039
Voluntary reserve		13,509,097	13,509,097
Fair value reserve		(3,221,826)	(3,290,770)
Foreign currency translation reserve		(593,440)	(691,710)
Retained earnings		3,137,102	1,388,193
Total equity		124,922,058	123,005,935
<i>Non-current liabilities</i>			
Employees' end of service benefits		865,115	859,179
Lease liabilities	5	-	70,686
Bank borrowings	9	21,697,137	23,493,078
Corporate tax liabilities		208,082	-
Total non-current liabilities		22,770,334	24,422,943
<i>Current liabilities</i>			
Dividend payable		562	562
Lease liabilities	5	106,114	336,847
Bank borrowings	9	3,684,211	3,684,211
Trade and other payables	11	2,791,622	2,952,551
Current liabilities on discontinued operations	12	1,086,514	342,542
Total current liabilities		7,669,023	7,316,713
Total liabilities		30,439,357	31,739,656
Total equity and liabilities		155,361,415	154,745,591

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The condensed consolidated interim financial statements on pages 3 to 20 were approved on November 13, 2024 and signed on behalf of the Group, by:



Mr. Khamis Mohamed Khamis Buharoon Alshamsi
Chairman



Mr. Ali Mohd Zaid Ali Musmar
Chief Executive Officer

**ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C and its subsidiary
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Condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the
nine months period ended September 30, 2024
In Arab Emirates Dirham**

	Notes	Nine months period ended		Three months period ended	
		September 30,		September 30,	
		2024	2023	2024	2023
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Continuing operations					
Rental income		5,522,780	6,909,905	1,924,703	2,133,233
Unrealised gain / (loss) on investments at FVTPL		552,129	23,767	660,154	(12,002)
Loss on disposal of investments at FVTOCI and FVTPL		(52,452)	-	-	-
Administrative and general expenses	13	(4,483,074)	(5,192,899)	(1,448,456)	(1,443,463)
Repairs and maintenance expenses		(277,963)	(867,833)	(91,577)	(279,124)
Finance costs		(1,589,960)	(1,812,850)	(438,095)	(622,112)
Loss on disposal of investment property		-	(1,038,615)	-	-
Dividend income		192,053	191,206	-	-
Other income		318,596	222,604	99,998	55,745
Profit/(loss) before tax from continuing operations		182,109	(1,564,715)	706,727	(167,723)
Corporate tax expenses		(40,085)	-	(40,085)	-
Profit/(loss) for the period from continuing operations		142,024	(1,564,715)	666,642	(167,723)
Discontinued operations					
Profit after tax for the period from discontinued operations	14	1,675,829	1,435,071	504,091	502,838
Net profit/(loss) for the period		1,817,853	(129,644)	1,170,733	335,115
Other comprehensive income / (loss)					
<i>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</i>					
Net change in fair value of investments carried at FVTOCI		-	1,447,892	1,101,248	(1,999,468)
		-	1,447,892	1,101,248	(1,999,468)
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss</i>					
Exchange gain/(loss) on translating foreign operation		98,270	(160,500)	71,459	(67,213)
		98,270	(160,500)	71,459	(67,213)
Total comprehensive income / (loss) for the period		1,916,123	1,157,748	2,343,440	(1,731,566)
Basic and diluted earnings / (losses) per share					
From continuing operations		0.002	(0.020)	0.009	(0.002)
From discontinued operations	16	0.021	0.018	0.006	0.006

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ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C and its subsidiary

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity for the nine months period ended September 30, 2024
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	Share capital	Statutory reserve	Voluntary reserve	Fair value reserve	Foreign currency translation reserve	Accumulated (losses) / Retained earnings	Total equity
Balance as at December 31, 2022 (Audited)	78,901,086	32,736,885	13,055,943	(3,082,420)	(646,314)	(2,099,151)	118,866,029
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	-	(129,644)	(129,644)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	-	-	-	1,447,892	(160,500)	-	1,287,392
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	-	-	-	1,447,892	(160,500)	(129,644)	1,157,748
Balance as at September 30, 2023 (Unaudited)	78,901,086	32,736,885	13,055,943	(1,634,528)	(806,814)	(2,228,795)	120,023,777
Balance as at December 31, 2023 (Audited)	78,901,086	33,190,039	13,509,097	(3,290,770)	(691,710)	1,388,193	123,005,935
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	1,817,853	1,817,853
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	98,270	-	98,270
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-	-	98,270	1,817,853	1,916,123
Transfer of fair value reserve on disposal of investments carried at FVTOCI	-	-	-	-	-	(68,944)	-
Balance as at September 30, 2024	78,901,086	33,190,039	13,509,097	(3,221,826)	(593,440)	3,137,102	124,922,058

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	Nine months period ended September 30,	
	2024 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit/(loss) for the period from continuing operations	182,109	(1,564,715)
Profit for the period from discontinued operations	1,843,826	1,435,071
Net profit/(loss) for the period before tax	<u>2,025,935</u>	<u>(129,644)</u>
<i>Adjustments for:</i>		
Unrealised gain on investments carried at FVTPL	(552,129)	(23,767)
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	34,578	39,757
Depreciation on right-of-use assets	144,398	191,775
Allowance for expected credit losses	116,977	317,243
Reversal of allowance for expected credit loss of trade receivables	(165,467)	(147,731)
Finance costs	1,589,960	1,812,850
Dividend income	(192,053)	(191,206)
Loss on disposal of investments at FVTOCI and FVTPL	52,452	-
Loss on disposal of investment property	-	1,038,615
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	34,060	102,458
	<u>3,088,711</u>	<u>3,010,350</u>
<i>Decrease in current assets</i>		
Trade and other receivables	652,484	174,876
<i>(Decrease) / increase in current liabilities</i>		
Trade and other payables	(160,929)	712,967
Current liabilities on discontinued operations	743,972	-
Cash generated from operations	<u>4,324,238</u>	<u>3,898,193</u>
Employees' end-of-services benefits paid	(29,706)	(45,632)
Net cash generated from operating activities	<u>4,294,532</u>	<u>3,852,561</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	-	(5,792)
Dividend income received	192,053	191,206
Purchase of investment property	-	(222,400)
Proceeds from sale of investment property	-	8,500,000
Net cash generated from investing activities	<u>192,053</u>	<u>8,463,014</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Payment of principal portion of lease liabilities	(93,781)	(296,011)
Payment of interest portion of lease liabilities	(14,033)	(10,591)
Repayment of bank borrowings	(1,842,105)	(1,842,105)
Finance costs paid	(1,529,763)	(1,756,095)
Dividends paid	-	(5,266,678)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(3,479,682)</u>	<u>(9,171,480)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	<u>1,006,903</u>	<u>3,144,095</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of the period	959,461	1,706,979
Effect of exchange rate changes on the balances held in foreign currencies	1,275	(13,480)
Cash and cash equivalents, end of the period	<u>1,967,639</u>	<u>4,837,594</u>
Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand	28,071	36,547
Cash at banks	1,939,568	4,801,047
	<u>1,967,639</u>	<u>4,837,594</u>

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**ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C and its subsidiary
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**Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements for the nine months period ended
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1 Legal status and business activities

- 1.1 ARAM Group Company P.J.S.C, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates** (the "Entity") is a public joint stock company incorporated on January 26, 1977, under Emiri Decree number 133/76 issued on November 16, 1976. The trading register was issued by Economic Development Department, Government of Sharjah. The shares of the Entity are traded on the Abu Dhabi Securities Market.
- 1.2** The principal activities of the Entity comprise investing in financial instruments, investing in and leasing of properties, and investing in, establishment of, and management of agricultural, industrial, and commercial projects.
- 1.3** The registered office of the Entity is located at Al Khan Street, P.O. Box: 5440, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates.
- 1.4** The management is vested with the Directors.
- 1.5** On August 14, 2024, the erstwhile director Mr. Ziyad Mahmoud Khairalla Alhaji Alharmouzi retired as the director of the Group.
- 1.6** The Entity controls the following subsidiary as at September 30, 2024 which has been consolidated in these condensed consolidated interim financial statements:

Sr. no.	Name of the subsidiary	2024	2023	Country of operation and incorporation	Principal activity
1	Tarfan General Trading and Contracting (Ebrahim Ahmed Al-Manna'ei and Partners) W.L.L	100%	100%	State of Kuwait	General trading and contracting, purchase and sale of shares and bonds.

The subsidiary is a limited liability company incorporated in Kuwait. One individual owns 1% of the subsidiary's share capital for and on behalf of the Entity; therefore, 100% beneficial ownership interest is with the Entity and hence there is no non-controlling interest.

- 1.7** These condensed consolidated interim financial statements incorporate the operating results of the trading license nos. 1233 of the Entity and 2003/328 of its subsidiary, herein together referred to as the "Group".

2 Application of new and revised International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs)

2.1 New and amended IFRS Standards that are effective for the current year

In the current period, the Group has applied a number of amendments to IFRS Accounting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) that are mandatorily effective for an accounting period that begins on or after January 1, 2024. Their adoption has not had any material impact on the disclosures or on the amounts reported in these condensed consolidated interim financial

New and revised IFRSs

**Effective for
annual periods
beginning on
or after**

Supplier Finance Arrangements - Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7
Amendments to IFRS 16: Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback
Amendments to IAS 1: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

January 1, 2024
January 1, 2024
January 1, 2024

2 New standards and amendments (continued)

2.1 New and amended IFRS Standards that are effective for the current year (continued)

Management has adopted the new and amended IFRS standards in the current period and believes that these standards do not have material impact on these condensed consolidated interim financial statements unless mentioned above.

2.2 New and revised IFRS in issue but not yet effective

At the date of authorisation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the Group has not applied the following new and revised IFRS Standards that have been issued but are not yet effective:

<u>New and revised IFRSs</u>	<u>Effective for annual periods beginning on or after</u>
IFRS 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements	January 1, 2027
IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures	January 1, 2027
Amendments to IAS 21: Lack of Exchangeability	January 1, 2025
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 - Sale or Contribution of assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture	No effective date set

Management anticipates that these standards will not have any significant impact on these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

3 Material accounting policies

3.1 Basis of preparation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standard 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" and are presented in United Arab Emirates Dirham (AED) which is the functional currency of the Group.

The subsidiary determines its own financial currency and its assets and liabilities have been translated into AED at the closing rate at the reporting date. Income and expenses have been translated into the Group's presentation currency at the average rate over the reporting period. Exchange differences are charged/credited to the condensed consolidated interim statement of other comprehensive income.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for investment properties, investments at fair value through profit or loss and investments at fair value through other comprehensive income that are measured at fair values.

The accounting policies and methods of computation adopted in preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial information are consistent with those used in the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 which are the latest audited consolidated financial statements available.

All aspects of the financial risk management objectives and policies are consistent with those disclosed in the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

These condensed consolidated interim financial information do not include all the information required for full annual consolidated financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the audited consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The condensed consolidated result for the nine months period ended September 30, 2024 is not necessarily indicative of the result that may be expected for the financial year ending December 31, 2024.

3 Material accounting policies (continued)

3.1 Basis of preparation (continued)

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

In preparing these condensed consolidated interim financial statements, the significant judgements made by management in applying the accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that were applied to the audited consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2023.

Certain amendments to accounting standards and annual improvements, as disclosed in the Group's most recent annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023, are applicable to the Group but do not have any material impact on these condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

3.2 Basis of consolidation

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements consolidate the unaudited interim financial statements of the subsidiary referred to in Note 1.6, on line by line basis, with unaudited financial statements of the Entity for the period in accordance with IFRS 10, 'Consolidated Financial Statements'.

3.3 Taxation

On December 9, 2022, the U.A.E. Ministry of Finance released the Federal Decree-Law No. 47 of 2022 on the Taxation of Corporations and Businesses (the "Law") to enact a Federal Corporate Tax (CT) regime in the U.A.E. The CT regime has become effective for accounting periods beginning on or after June 1, 2023. As the Group's accounting year ends on December 31, the first tax period will be the period from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, with the respective tax return to be filed on or before September 30, 2025.

Current tax expense is recognised at an amount determined by multiplying the profit/(loss) before tax for the interim reporting period by management's best estimate of the weighted-average annual income tax rate expected for the full financial year, adjusted for the tax effect of certain items recognised in full in the interim period. As such, the effective tax rate in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements may differ from management's estimate of the effective tax rate for the annual consolidated financial statements.

The Group's consolidated effective tax rate in respect of continuing operations for the nine months ended September 30, 2024 was 9.96%. The change of the accounting policy will also be reflected in the Group's consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ending December 31, 2024.

The Group has estimated the tax charge for the nine month period ended September 30, 2024 to be AED 208,082 based on the aforesaid weighted-average annual income tax rate.

3.4 Liquidity risk - unclaimed dividend

The Securities and Commodities Authority (the Authority) issued its letter dated April 30, 2023 reference number E.M.SH/KH/258/2023, stating that the Authority has been appointed to manage the uncollected profits of locally listed public joint stock companies prior to March 2015 and requires public joint stock companies to stop the company's procedures for distributing uncollected profits prior to March 2015 from receipt of the letter and to transfer the full value of uncollected profits prior to March 2015 to the Authority's account no later than May 21, 2023. As on September 30, 2024, the remaining dues of the uncollected profits amounted to AED 562.

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4 Investment properties

	September 30,	December 31,
	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Land	17,050,000	17,050,000
Buildings	86,600,000	86,600,000
	103,650,000	103,650,000

The movements of investment properties are as follows:

Balance at the beginning of the period / year	103,650,000	161,603,098
Additions during the period / year	-	222,400
Disposals during the period / year	-	(32,193,615)
Increase in fair value during the period / year	-	2,495,176
Transferred to non-current assets held for sale during the period / year (Note 8)	-	(28,477,059)
Balance at the end of the period / year	103,650,000	103,650,000

The Group's investment properties consist of residential towers and buildings, offices, warehouses and undeveloped parcels of land.

Investment properties located at Al Khan and Al Muweilah, Sharjah with carrying value of AED 43.1 million have a first degree mortgage in favour of Sharjah Islamic Bank for the bank borrowings (Note 9).

The Group has no restrictions on the realisability of its investment properties and there are no contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment properties or for repairs, maintenance or enhancements, other than those against securities for the bank borrowings (Note 9).

During the previous year, the management had decided to dispose the investment properties located at Al Qasimia, Sharjah and Al Soor, Sharjah to settle the bank borrowings liabilities. Accordingly, as at September 30, 2024, the investment properties and related assets (Note 8) and liabilities (Note 12) were classified as a disposal group and related income and expenses were classified as discontinued operations (Note 14).

As at December 31, 2023, the fair values of the properties are based on valuations performed by an independent valuer who is a specialist in valuing these types of investment properties.

Management follows the accounting policy of carrying out the fair valuation of investment property on an annual basis.

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5 Leases

a) Right-of-use assets

The right-of-use assets pertains to office premises on lease. The carrying value of the right-of-use assets is as follows:

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Cost		
Balance at the beginning of the period / year	1,151,736	745,737
Additions during the period / year	-	410,408
Retirement during the period / year	(410,408)	-
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss) during the period / year	4,956	(4,409)
Balance at the end of the period / year	746,284	1,151,736
Accumulated depreciation		
Balance at the beginning of the period / year	706,669	436,318
Charge for the period / year (Note 13)	144,398	274,133
Retirement during the period / year	(201,831)	-
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss) during the period / year	3,766	(3,782)
Balance at the end of the period / year	653,002	706,669
Carrying value at the end of the period / year	93,282	445,067

b) Lease liabilities

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Comprising:		
Current portion	106,114	336,847
Non-current portion	-	70,686
	106,114	407,533

Lease liabilities are presented in the condensed consolidated statement of financial position as follows:

Balance at the beginning of the period / year	407,533	337,783
Additions during the period / year	-	410,408
Add: Interest charge during the period / year	14,033	13,308
Less: Payments during the period / year	(107,814)	(352,990)
Less: Retirement during the period / year	(200,408)	-
Net foreign exchange gain during the period / year	(7,230)	(976)
Balance at the end of the period / year	106,114	407,533

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6 Investments carried at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI)

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Quoted investments	11,848,281	11,769,583
Unquoted investments	2,808,397	2,829,545
	14,656,678	14,599,128

The movements of investments carried at FVTOCI are as follows:

Balance at the beginning of the period / year	14,599,128	14,832,769
(Decrease) in fair value during the period / year	-	(208,350)
Disposal during the period / year	(39,803)	-
Net foreign exchange loss/(gain) during the period / year	97,353	(25,291)
Balance at the end of the period / year	14,656,678	14,599,128

The geographical distribution of investments carried at FVTOCI is as follows:

In Kuwait	14,656,678	14,599,128
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The above quoted investments are valued at the closing rate on September 30, 2024.

Management follows the accounting policy of carrying out the fair valuation of unquoted investments on an annual basis.

7 Investments carried at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Quoted investments	1,049,045	496,916
Unquoted investments	127,332	139,030
	1,176,377	635,946

The movements of investments carried at FVTPL are as follows:

Balance at the beginning of the period / year	635,946	363,794
Increase in fair value during the period / year	539,501	272,392
Disposal during the period / year	(12,544)	-
Net foreign exchange loss/(gain) during the period / year	13,474	(240)
Balance at the end of the period / year	1,176,377	635,946

The geographical distribution of investments carried at FVTPL is as follows:

In United Arab Emirates	1,049,045	496,916
In Kuwait	127,332	139,030
	1,176,377	635,946

The above quoted investments are valued at the closing rate on September 30, 2024.

Management follows the accounting policy of carrying out the fair valuation of unquoted investments on an annual basis.

Subsequent to the period, the Group has sold its quoted investment carried at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) with carrying value of AED 1,049,045.

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	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Balance at the beginning of the period / year	33,100,000	-
Transfer from investment properties (Note 4)	-	28,477,059
Increase in fair value during the period / year	-	4,622,941
Balance at the end of the period / year	33,100,000	33,100,000

During the previous year, the management had decided to dispose the investment properties located at Al Qasimia, Sharjah and Al Soor, Sharjah to settle the bank borrowings liabilities. Accordingly, as at September 30, 2024, the investment properties and related assets and liabilities (Note 12) were classified as a disposal group and related income and expenses were classified as discontinued operations (Note 14).

Out of the above non-current assets held for sale, investment property located at Al Qasimia, Sharjah with carrying value of AED 24.5 million as at September 30, 2024 has a first degree mortgage in favour of Sharjah Islamic Bank for the bank borrowings (Note 9).

9 Bank borrowings

	September 30, 2024	December 31, 2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Non-current	21,697,137	23,493,078
Current	3,684,211	3,684,211
	25,381,348	27,177,289

The movements of bank borrowings are as follows:

Balance at the beginning of the period / year	27,177,289	30,799,947
Add: Amortisation of loan arrangement fee during the period / year	46,164	61,552
Add: Amortisation of interest expense during the period / year	1,529,763	2,295,291
Less: Repayment during the period / year	(3,371,868)	(5,979,501)
Balance at the end of the period / year	25,381,348	27,177,289

In 2021, the Group entered into a "One-off Ijarah facility" arrangement with Sharjah Islamic Bank. The facility is repayable in equal semi-annual installments over a period of ten years plus profit rate of 6 months EIBOR + 2.5% p.a., with a floor of 4% p.a. Effective on May 24, 2024, the profit rate has been amended to 3 months EIBOR + 2% p.a., with a floor of 4% p.a.

The bank borrowings are secured against the following securities and guarantees:

- First degree registered mortgage over certain properties in favour of Sharjah Islamic Bank (Notes 4 and 8).
- Assignment of fire insurance policy over Ijarah properties in favour of Sharjah Islamic Bank.
- Cheque covering the total facility amount.
- Notarized power of attorney in favour of Sharjah Islamic Bank or its appointed agent to manage certain properties and collect its rentals.

9 Bank borrowings (continued)

- e) Assignment of rental cover from investment properties located at Plot No. 213 in Al Soor, Sharjah, Plot No. 216 in Al Majaz, Sharjah and Plot No. 689/A/1 in Industrial Area 13, Sharjah. Out of said investment properties, the investment properties located at Al Majaz, Sharjah and Industrial Area 13, Sharjah have been sold and the management intends to dispose the investment property located at Al Soor, Sharjah.

10 Related party transactions

The Group enters into transactions with other entities that fall within the definition of a related party as contained in IAS 24, Related party disclosures. Such transactions are in the normal course of business and at terms that correspond to those on normal arms-length transactions. Related parties comprise entities under common ownership and/or common management and control; their partners and key management personnel. There were no outstanding balances recoverable from/payable to related parties as at September 30, 2024.

The management decides on the terms and conditions of the transactions and services received/rendered from/to related parties as well as other charges, if applicable.

a) Key management personnel compensations

The compensation of key management personnel is as follows:

	Nine months period ended September 30,		Three months period ended September 30,	
	2024 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)	2024 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)
Salaries and other short-term benefits	973,333	1,086,666	323,333	418,000
End of service benefits	30,964	82,000	10,586	58,000
Directors' sitting fee	24,012	48,495	6,003	24,495
Directors' remuneration	400,000	400,000	200,000	-
Directors' travel and other expenses	37,780	61,001	-	35,565
	1,466,089	1,678,162	539,922	536,060

11 Trade and other payables

	September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2023 (Audited)
Tenants' refundable deposits	753,534	722,636
Accrued expenses	655,756	593,184
Accrued interest	619,791	226,649
Contract liabilities - rent received in advance	539,396	1,198,701
Trade payables	212,802	211,381
VAT payable	10,343	-
	2,791,622	2,952,551

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12 Current liabilities on discontinued operations

	September 30,	December 31,
	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Contract liabilities - rent received in advance	770,514	67,542
Tenants' refundable deposits	316,000	275,000
	1,086,514	342,542

During the previous year, the management had decided to dispose the investment properties located at Al Qasimia, Sharjah and Al Soor, Sharjah to settle the bank borrowings liabilities. Accordingly, as at September 30, 2024, the investment properties and related assets (Note 8) and liabilities were classified as a disposal group and related income and expenses were classified as discontinued operations (Note 14).

13 Administrative and general expenses

	Nine months period ended		Three months period ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Employee costs	1,642,107	1,746,246	573,212	442,563
Compensation of key management personnel	1,466,089	1,678,162	539,922	536,060
Legal, license and professional	392,193	430,607	36,689	61,649
Utilities	252,488	356,094	95,108	121,697
Allowance for expected credit losses of trade receivables	116,977	317,243	46,969	79,369
Depreciation on right-of-use assets (Note 5a)	144,398	191,775	31,437	82,665
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	34,578	39,757	10,864	13,101
Other general and administrative expenses	434,244	433,015	114,255	106,359
	4,483,074	5,192,899	1,448,456	1,443,463

14 Discontinued operations

	Nine months period ended		Three months period ended	
	September 30,		September 30,	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Rental income from discontinued operations	1,981,728	1,615,532	674,092	555,746
Repairs and maintenance	(137,902)	(180,461)	(30,391)	(52,908)
Profit before tax from discontinued operations	1,843,826	1,435,071	643,701	502,838
Corporate tax expenses	(167,997)	-	(139,610)	-
Profit for the period from discontinued operations	1,675,829	1,435,071	504,091	502,838

14 Discontinued operations (continued)

During the previous year, the management had decided to dispose the investment properties located at Al Qasimia, Sharjah and Al Soor, Sharjah to settle the bank borrowings liabilities. Accordingly, as at September 30, 2024, the investment properties and related assets (Note 8) and liabilities (Note 12) were classified as a disposal group and related income and expenses were classified as discontinued operations.

15 Seasonality of results

The Group's income consists of rental and investment income. Rental income is not significantly affected by any seasonal impact as it depends on annual lease contracts which are recognised in the condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss on a straight-line method and in accordance with different terms of these lease contracts. In addition, there is limited fluctuation on the rent rates where the Group's investment properties are located.

Investment income depends on market conditions, investment activities of the Group and declaration of profit by investee companies, which are of a seasonal nature. Accordingly, results of investment income for the period ended September 30, 2024 are not comparable to those relating to the comparative period and are not indicative of the results that might be expected for the year ending December 31, 2024.

16 Basic and diluted earnings/(losses) per share

	Nine months period ended September 30,		Three months period ended September 30,	
	2024 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)	2024 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)
Basic and diluted (losses) per share from continuing operations				
Profit/(loss) for the period (AED)	182,109	(1,564,715)	706,727	(167,723)
Number of shares	78,901,086	78,901,086	78,901,086	78,901,086
Basic and diluted earnings/(losses) per share (AED)	0.002	(0.020)	0.009	(0.002)
Basic and diluted earnings per share from discontinued operations				
Profit for the period (AED)	1,675,829	1,435,071	504,091	502,838
Number of shares	78,901,086	78,901,086	78,901,086	78,901,086
Basic and diluted earnings per share (AED)	0.021	0.018	0.006	0.006

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit for the period by the weighted average number of shares outstanding at the end of the reporting period. The Group has not issued any instruments which would have a dilutive impact on earnings per share when exercised.

17 Contingent liabilities and commitments

The Group is subject to litigations in the normal course of business, mainly on claims relating to recoveries of cheques from tenants. Although the ultimate outcome of these claims cannot be presently determined, the total amount of claims is not material to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

Except for the above and ongoing business obligations which are under normal course of business, there has been no other known contingent liabilities and commitments on the Group's condensed consolidated interim financial statements as of reporting date.

18 Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. As such, differences can arise between book values and the fair value estimates. Underlying the definition of fair value is the presumption that the Group is a going concern without any intention or requirement to materially curtail the scale of its operation or to undertake a transaction on adverse terms.

Fair value of financial instruments carried at amortised cost

Management considers that the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities recognised at amortised cost in the condensed consolidated interim financial statements approximate their fair values.

Valuation techniques and assumptions applied for the purposes of measuring fair value

The fair values of financial and non-financial assets and liabilities are determined using similar valuation techniques and assumptions as used in the audited annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023.

The following table provides an analysis of financial and non-financial instruments that are measured subsequent to initial recognition at fair value on a recurring basis, grouped into Levels 1 to 3 based on the degree to which the fair value is observable:

- Level 1 fair value measurements are those derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 fair value measurements are those derived from 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); and
- Level 3 fair value measurements are those derived from valuation techniques that include inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

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18 Fair value measurement (continued)

September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)

	Level 1 AED	Level 2 AED	Level 3 AED	Total AED
Financial assets:				
Investments carried at FVTPL				
Quoted equities	1,049,045	-	-	1,049,045
Unquoted equities	-	-	127,332	127,332
Investments carried at FVTOCI				
Quoted equities	11,848,281	-	-	11,848,281
Unquoted equities	-	-	2,808,397	2,808,397
Non-financial assets:				
Investment properties	-	-	103,650,000	103,650,000
Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	33,100,000	33,100,000
	<u>12,897,326</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>139,685,729</u>	<u>152,583,055</u>

December 31, 2023 (Audited)

	Level 1 AED	Level 2 AED	Level 3 AED	Total AED
Financial assets:				
Investments carried at FVTPL				
Quoted equities	496,916	-	-	496,916
Unquoted equities	-	-	139,030	139,030
Investments carried at FVTOCI				
Quoted equities	11,769,583	-	-	11,769,583
Unquoted equities	-	-	2,829,545	2,829,545
Non-financial assets:				
Investment properties	-	-	103,650,000	103,650,000
Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	33,100,000	33,100,000
	<u>12,266,499</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>139,718,575</u>	<u>151,985,074</u>

There are no transfers made between the levels during the period and there are no financial liabilities which should be measured at fair value and accordingly no disclosure is made in the above table.

19 Uncertainty related to key estimates

Fair value of investments

The fair value of equities decreases as a result of changes in the levels of equity index and the value of individual stocks. The Group's listed and unlisted equity securities are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainties about future values of the investment securities.

The effect on equity (fair value reserve) as a result of a change in the fair value of equity instruments quoted on the different stock exchange markets and held at FVOCI at September 30, 2024, due to reasonably possible changes in the prices of these quoted shares held by the Group, with all other variables held constant, is as follows:

	<u>September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)</u>		<u>December 31, 2023 (Audited)</u>	
	Change in market prices %	Effect on equity (fair value reserve)	Change in market prices %	Effect on equity (fair value reserve)
Market Index				
Kuwait	+5%	592,414	+5%	588,479
	-5%	(592,414)	-5%	(588,479)

The effect on condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income as a result of a change in the fair value of equity instruments quoted on the different stock exchange markets and held at FVTPL at September 30, 2024, due to reasonably possible changes in the prices of these quoted shares held by the Group, with all other variables held constant, is as follows:

	<u>September 30, 2024 (Unaudited)</u>		<u>December 31, 2023 (Audited)</u>	
	Change in market prices %	Effect on consolidated profit or loss	Change in market prices %	Effect on consolidated profit or loss
Market Index				
U.A.E.	+5%	52,452	+5%	24,846
	-5%	(52,452)	-5%	(24,846)

20 Events after the reporting period

Subsequent to the period, the Group has sold its quoted investment carried at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL) with fair value of AED 1,049,045.

Other than above, there are no significant events after the reporting period, which affect the condensed consolidated interim financial statements or disclosures.