

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	GROUP	
	Unaudited 30 June 2020	Audited 31 December 2019
	Rs'000	Rs'000
ASSETS		
Non current assets	686,351	693,859
Current assets	464,428	597,761
Total Assets	1,150,779	1,291,620
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Share capital and reserves		
Owners' interest	441,099	474,941
Non-current Liabilities	316,574	311,405
Current liabilities	393,106	505,274
Total Equity and Liabilities	1,150,779	1,291,620
Net assets per share(Rs)	20.04	21.58
Number of ordinary shares	22,006,418	22,006,418

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

	Three months to 30 June 2020	Three months to 30 June 2019	Six months to 30 June 2020	Six months to 30 June 2019
	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000
CONTINUING ACTIVITIES				
Revenue	138,725	164,800	312,581	324,978
Operating loss	(23,418)	(91,390)	(33,235)	(128,466)
Other income	10,945	10,812	17,759	20,004
Loss before finance cost	(12,473)	(80,578)	(15,475)	(108,462)
Net finance (cost) / income	(437)	8,238	(18,787)	1,377
Share of results of associates	4,407	579	(6,514)	1,030
Loss before tax	(8,503)	(71,761)	(40,776)	(106,055)
Income tax	(2,936)	(328)	2,625	(407)
Loss for the period	(11,439)	(72,089)	(38,151)	(106,462)
Attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	(11,439)	(72,089)	(38,151)	(106,462)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period net of tax	(2,953)	2,654	4,309	(2,868)
Total comprehensive loss for the period.	(14,392)	(69,435)	(33,842)	(109,330)
Attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	(14,392)	(69,435)	(33,842)	(109,330)
Earnings per share (Rs)	(0.52)	(3.28)	(1.73)	(4.84)

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

	30 June 2020	30 June 2019
	Rs'000	Rs'000
Balance as at 1 January	474,941	752,798
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(33,842)	(109,330)
Consolidation adjustment	-	(37,928)
Balance as at 30 June	441,099	605,540

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Six months to 30 June 2020	Six months to 30 June 2019
	Rs'000	Rs'000
Net cash (used in)/ from operating activities	(87,108)	20,247
Net cash from/ (used in) investing activities	4,892	(23,378)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities	38,530	(10,562)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(43,686)	(13,693)

Movement in cash and cash equivalents

At 1 January	(14,596)	54,871
Decrease	(43,686)	(13,693)
Effect of Foreign Exchange difference	(1,041)	(305)
As at 30 June	(59,323)	40,873

Comments

The quarterly condensed financial statements have been prepared using the same accounting policies as for the statutory financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019, except for the adoption of published standards that are now effective.

Performance

The Group's figures for 2020 include Chemco Limited's and Bychemex Limited's results following their acquisition by the Mauritius Chemical and Fertilizer Industry Limited (The Company or "MCFI") in April 2019.

Results

The Group's turnover for the six months ended June 2020 decreased from Rs 325 million to Rs 313 million. Even though the acquisition of Chemco and Bychemex had a positive impact on the Group's revenues of Rs 30 million as compared to 2019, the slow down in economic activities due to the Covid-19 pandemic had a negative impact on the Group's operations. This resulted in lower sales both in Mauritius and Africa.

The reorganisation and restructuring exercise conducted in 2019 resulted in a decrease of Rs 16 million in operating expenses for the first six months of the year, excluding savings resulting from synergies following the acquisition of Chemco and Bychemex. However, the results of the Group have been negatively impacted by a share of the losses from our associates of Rs 6.5 million.

**NOTES TO THE UNAUDITED INTERIM QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
SEGMENTAL INFORMATION**

	Fertilisers	Trading	Contracting	Other	Total
	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000
Six months ended 30 June 2020					
Total segment revenues	106,237	197,642	8,702	-	312,581
Segment loss	(22,247)	(3,898)	(2,697)	(4,393)	(33,235)
Other income	-	4,365	772	12,622	17,759
Finance cost	(16,754)	(1,852)	(181)	-	(18,787)
Share of results of associates	-	-	-	(6,514)	(6,514)
(Loss)/Profit before tax	(39,001)	(1,385)	(2,106)	1,715	(40,776)
Income tax	-	2,625	-	-	2,625
(Loss)/profit for the period	(39,001)	1,240	(2,106)	1,715	(38,151)
Total assets					
30 June 2020	498,127	368,002	14,818	269,832	1,150,779
31 December 2019	411,732	339,091	41,443	499,354	1,291,620
Six months ended 30 June 2019					
Total segment revenues	128,316	182,297	14,365	-	324,978
Segment loss	(54,181)	(42,807)	(4,107)	(27,371)	(128,466)
Other income	2,634	670	-	16,700	20,004
Finance cost	377	1,306	(306)	-	1,377
Share of results of associates	-	-	430	600	1,030
Loss before tax	(51,170)	(40,832)	(3,983)	(10,071)	(106,055)
Income tax	-	(407)	-	-	(407)
Loss for the period	(51,170)	(41,239)	(3,983)	(10,071)	(106,462)
Total assets					
30 June 2019	476,896	232,567	24,131	326,856	1,060,450
31 December 2018	761,559	74,842	26,285	430,916	1,293,602

The above resulted in a loss of Rs 38 million for the six months ended 30 June 2020 compared to a loss of Rs 109 million for the same period last year.

Outlook

The Group will keep its focus on achieving a lean operational structure and strengthening its lines of businesses in the chemical and fertilisers activities so as to maintain its position as a market leader in supporting local agricultural and industrial sectors and expand its reach beyond our shores. The acquisition of Suchem is in line with the Group's vision of strengthening its product portfolio.

Copies of this report and senior officers' interest are available free of charge from the Company Secretary, HM Secretaries Ltd, 18 Edith Cavell Street, Port Louis.

By order of the Board
HM Secretaries Ltd.
Company Secretary
03 August 2020

The Board of Directors of The Mauritius Chemical and Fertilizer Industry Limited accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in the above report issued pursuant to Listing Rule 12.20 and Securities Act 2005.