

Consolidated financial statements and independent auditor's report
National Industries Group Holding – KPSC and Subsidiaries
Kuwait

31 December 2019

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Independent auditor's report

To the shareholders of
National Industries Group Holding – KPSC
Kuwait

Report on the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of National Industries Group Holding – Kuwaiti Public Shareholding Company (the “Parent Company”) and Subsidiaries, (collectively the “Group”), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss, consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2019, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined the matters described below as the key audit matters.

Valuation of investments held at fair value

The Group invests in various assets classes, of which 49% of the total assets represent investments which are carried at fair value and classified either as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss or as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income. These investments are fair valued on a basis considered most appropriate by the management, depending on the nature of the investment, and the valuation is performed by the Group using a fair value hierarchy as detailed in Note 35.3. 47% of these investments are carried at fair value based on Level 1 valuations, and the balance 53% of these investments are carried at fair value either based on Level 2 or Level 3 valuations. Fair value measurement can be a subjective area and more so for the investments classified under level 2 and level 3 since these are valued using inputs other than quoted prices in an active market. Given the inherent subjectivity in valuation of investments classified under level 2 and level 3, we determined this to be a key audit matter. Refer to Notes 5.13.3, 5.13.8, 6.1, 6.2, 19, 20 and 35.3 for more information on fair valuation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.

Our audit procedures included, among others, documenting and assessing the processes in place to fair value the investment portfolio. Agreeing the carrying value of the investments to the Group's internal and external valuations prepared using valuation techniques, assessing and challenging the appropriateness of estimates, assumptions and valuation methodology and obtaining supporting documentation and explanations to corroborate the valuations.

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Key Audit Matters (continued)

Impairment of investments in associates

The Group's investments in associates represent 26% of the total assets and are accounted for under the equity method of accounting and considered for impairment in case of indication of impairment. The investment in associates is significant to our audit due to the Group's share of results in the associates and the carrying value of these associates. In addition, significant management judgment and number of assumptions are required in the assessment of impairment, including the determination of the recoverable value of the investment based on its value-in-use, in case there is a significant or prolonged decline in value based on published price quotes. Further, the projected future cash flows and discount rates used by the Group in determining the investment's value in use are also subject to estimation uncertainty and sensitivity. Accordingly, we considered this as a key audit matter. Refer to Notes 5.4, 6.1, 6.2, and 22 for more information on investment in associates.

Our audit procedures included, among others, evaluating management's consideration of the impairment indicators of investment in associates. In evaluating such consideration, we assessed whether any significant or prolonged decline in value exists, whether there are any significant adverse changes in the technological market, economic or legal environment in which the associate operates, or structural changes in the field of industry in which the investee company operates, or changes in the political or legal environment effecting the investees business, and also whether there are any changes in the investees financial condition. We also reviewed management's assessment of the recoverable value of the investment including the reasonability of the cash flow projections and discount rates used in the value in use calculation for associates, where there was a significant or prolonged decline in value.

Other information included in the Group's 2019 annual report

Management is responsible for the other information. Other information consists of the information included in the Annual Report of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2019 other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. We obtained the report of the Parent Company's Board of Directors, prior to the date of our auditor's report and we expect to obtain the remaining sections of the Group's Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2019 after the date of our auditor's report.

Our opinion on the consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements or our knowledge obtained during the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we have obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRSs, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated 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.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.



Independent auditor's report to the shareholders of National Industries Group Holding – KPSC (continued)

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated 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 ISAs 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 consolidated financial statements.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated 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 consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated 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.

We communicate with those charged with governance 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 those charged with governance 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.



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

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current period 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

Furthermore, in our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the Parent Company and the consolidated financial statements, together with the contents of the report of the Parent Company's Board of Directors relating to these consolidated financial statements, are in accordance therewith. We further report that we obtained all the information and explanations that we required for the purpose of our audit and that the consolidated financial statements incorporate all information that is required by the Companies Law No. 1 of 2016 and its Executive Regulations, as amended, and by the Parent Company's Memorandum of Incorporation and Articles of Association, as amended, that an inventory was duly carried out and that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, no violations of the Companies Law, the Executive Regulations, or of the Parent Company's Memorandum of Incorporation and Articles of Association, as amended, have occurred during the year ended 31 December 2019 that might have had a material effect on the business or financial position of the Parent Company.

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of Grant Thornton – Al-Qatami, Al-Aiban & Partners

Kuwait
5 April 2020

Consolidated statement of profit or loss

	Note	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Sales		132,237	125,406
Cost of sales		(110,185)	(103,331)
Gross profit		22,052	22,075
Loss on disposal of indirect subsidiaries	7	(1,520)	-
Income from investments	8	90,626	44,683
Changes in fair value of investment properties	21	(729)	34
Share of results of associates	22	15,767	15,182
Profit on disposal/partial disposal of associates	22	1,576	4,207
Rental income		2,477	2,753
Interest and other income	9	3,074	21,994
Distribution costs		(8,353)	(8,602)
General, administrative and other expenses		(26,044)	(25,404)
Loss on foreign currency exchange		(1,065)	(855)
		97,861	76,067
Finance costs	11	(30,745)	(32,693)
Impairment in value of receivables and other assets (net of reversal)	17	(790)	(1,280)
Impairment in value of associates	22	(7,748)	-
Impairment in value of property, plant and equipment	23	(530)	-
Impairment in value of goodwill and other intangible assets	24	(945)	(3,634)
Profit before foreign taxation		57,103	38,460
Foreign taxation	12a	(703)	(1,250)
Profit before KFAS, Zakat, NLST and Directors' remuneration		56,400	37,210
KFAS, Zakat and NLST	12b	(2,452)	(1,263)
Directors' remuneration		(590)	(480)
Profit for the year	13	53,358	35,467
Profit for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Parent Company		46,353	19,841
Non-controlling interests	7	7,005	15,626
		53,358	35,467
Basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Parent Company	14	33.3 Fils	14.3 Fils

The notes set out on pages 12 to 77 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Profit for the year	53,358	35,467
Other comprehensive income/(loss):		
<i>Items to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:</i>		
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations	(4,090)	(16,503)
- Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations		
- Transferred to consolidated statement of profit or loss on partial disposal of an associate	1,547	4,514
Share of other comprehensive income/(loss) of associates		
- Changes in fair value	6,291	(371)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss) to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods	3,748	(12,360)
<i>Items not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods</i>		
Defined benefit plan actuarial (losses)/gains	(34)	1,231
Net changes in fair value of investments in equity instruments designated at FVOCI	(7,028)	(20,503)
Share of other comprehensive income of associates	3,680	25
Total other comprehensive loss not being reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods	(3,382)	(19,247)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	366	(31,607)
Total comprehensive income for the year	53,724	3,860
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year attributable to:		
Owners of the Parent Company	44,398	(6,540)
Non-controlling interests	9,326	10,400
	53,724	3,860

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Consolidated statement of financial position

	Note	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Assets			
Bank balances and cash	15	31,798	32,077
Short-term deposits	15	18,189	9,136
Wakala and sukuk investments	16	1,000	1,153
Accounts receivable and other assets	17	50,776	49,453
Inventories	18	35,948	36,587
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	19	410,414	364,713
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	20	203,932	216,485
Right of use of leased assets	4.1	6,532	-
Investment properties	21	60,445	76,857
Investment in associates	22	324,781	317,462
Property, plant and equipment	23	91,177	88,876
Goodwill and other intangible assets	24	9,552	9,925
Total assets		1,244,544	1,202,724
Liabilities and equity			
Liabilities			
Due to banks	15	23,969	23,009
Accounts payable and other liabilities	25	69,190	58,677
Borrowings and bonds	26	628,603	611,117
Provisions	27	14,113	13,573
Total liabilities		735,875	706,376
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent Company			
Share capital	28	142,784	135,985
Share premium	28	122,962	122,962
Treasury shares	29	(30,375)	(30,375)
Cumulative changes in fair value	30	20,938	21,679
Other components of equity	30	32,260	23,827
Retained earnings		89,434	78,608
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent Company		378,003	352,686
Non-controlling interests	31	130,666	143,662
Total equity		508,669	496,348
Total liabilities and equity		1,244,544	1,202,724


Sa'ad Mohammed Al-Sa'ad
Chairman


Ahmad Mohammed Hassan
Chief Executive Officer

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Consolidated statement of changes in equity

Equity attributable to the owners of the Parent Company

	Share Capital KD '000	Share premium KD '000	Treasury shares KD '000	Cumulative changes in fair value (Note 30 a) KD '000	Other components of equity (Note 30 b) KD '000	Retained earnings KD '000	Sub- Total KD '000	Non- controlling interests (Note 31) KD '000	Total KD '000
Balance at 1 January 2019	135,985	122,962	(30,375)	21,679	23,827	78,608	352,686	143,662	496,348
Transactions with owners									
Decrease in non-controlling interest on disposal of indirect subsidiaries (Note 31)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Issue of bonus shares (Note 40)	6,799	-	-	-	-	(6,799)	-	(6,264)	(6,264)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests by the subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid (Note 40)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(8,195)	(8,195)
Adjustments arising on capital reduction of a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	(15,901)	(15,901)	-	(15,901)
Consolidation adjustments and related changes to retained earnings and non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,041)	(3,041)
Total transactions with owners	6,799	-	-	-	-	(3,180)	(3,180)	(4,822)	(8,002)
Comprehensive income									
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	46,353	46,353	7,005	53,358
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year [actuarial loss and others] (Notes 30, 31 and 32)	-	-	-	(476)	(1,445)	(34)	(1,955)	2,321	366
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year	-	-	-	(476)	(1,445)	46,319	44,398	9,326	53,724
Transfer of reserves	-	-	-	-	9,878	(9,878)	-	-	-
Realised gain on equity investments at FVOCI	-	-	-	(265)	-	265	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2019	142,784	122,962	(30,375)	20,938	32,260	89,434	378,003	130,666	508,669

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Consolidated statement of changes in equity (continued)

Equity attributable to the owners of the Parent Company

	Share Capital KD '000	Share premium KD '000	Treasury shares KD '000	Cumulative changes in fair value (Note 30 a) KD '000	Other components of equity (Note 30 b) KD '000	Retained earnings KD '000	Sub-Total KD '000	Non-controlling interests (Note 31) KD '000	Total KD '000
Balance at 1 January 2018	135,985	122,962	(30,375)	103,959	30,457	13,000	375,988	130,127	506,115
Adjustments arising on adoption of IFRS 9 on 1 January 2018	-	-	-	(64,220)	-	60,789	(3,431)	(481)	(3,912)
Balance at 1 January 2018 (Restated)	135,985	122,962	(30,375)	39,739	30,457	73,789	372,557	129,646	502,203
Transactions with owners									
Amounts due to non-controlling interests on capital reduction of a subsidiary (Note 31)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,069)	(1,069)
Non-controlling interests arising on acquisition of subsidiaries (Note 31)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,568	6,568
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests by the subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,655)	(1,655)
Dividend paid (Note 40)	-	-	-	-	(251)	(13,000)	(13,251)	-	(13,251)
Other net changes in non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	(80)	(80)	(228)	(308)
Total transactions with owners	-	-	-	-	(251)	(13,080)	(13,331)	3,616	(9,715)
Comprehensive income									
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	19,841	19,841	15,626	35,467
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year [actuarial gain and others] (Notes 30, 31 and 32)	-	-	-	(19,075)	(8,537)	1,231	(26,381)	(5,226)	(31,607)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the year	-	-	-	(19,075)	(8,537)	21,072	(6,540)	10,400	3,860
Transfer of reserve	-	-	-	-	2,158	(2,158)	-	-	-
Realised loss on equity investments at FVOCI	-	-	-	1,015	-	(1,015)	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2018	135,985	122,962	(30,375)	21,679	23,827	78,608	352,686	143,662	496,348

The notes set out on pages 12 to 77 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Consolidated statement of cash flows

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before foreign taxation	57,103	38,460
Adjustments:		
Dividend income from financial assets at FVOCI	(4,625)	(3,607)
Changes in fair value of investment properties	729	(34)
Share of results of associates	(15,767)	(15,182)
Profit on disposal/partial disposal of associates	(1,576)	(4,207)
Interest/profit on bank balances, short-term deposits and wakala investments	(1,095)	(1,055)
Gain on acquisition of subsidiary	-	(593)
Discount on settlement of borrowings	-	(17,041)
Net provisions (released)/charged	540	(1,684)
Depreciation and amortisation	9,343	7,419
Impairment in value of goodwill and other intangible assets	945	3,634
Impairment in value of associates	7,748	-
Impairment in value of receivable and other assets (net of reversal)	790	1,280
Impairment in value of property plant and equipment	530	-
Finance costs	30,745	32,693
Loss on disposal of indirect subsidiaries	1,520	-
Other non-cash adjustments	-	(351)
	86,930	39,732
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Inventories	639	(2,444)
Accounts receivable and other assets	3,894	43,977
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(45,701)	(833)
Accounts payable and other liabilities	(7,068)	545
Cash from operations	38,694	80,977
Taxation paid	(1,332)	(666)
KFAS, Zakat and NLST paid	(382)	(46)
Net cash from operating activities	36,980	80,265

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Consolidated statement of cash flows (continued)

	Note	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(10,078)	(12,745)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		381	66
Additions to investment properties		(10,351)	(10,359)
Investment in associates		(2,997)	(2,107)
Dividend received from associate companies		9,619	9,984
Proceeds from disposal/capital reduction of associates		7,505	17,200
Purchase of financial assets at FVOCI		(1,988)	(14,366)
Proceeds from sale of financial assets at FVOCI		9,931	12,464
Dividend income on financial assets at FVOCI		4,625	3,607
Decrease in cash on disposal of indirect subsidiaries		(684)	(326)
Increase of short-term deposits		(2,414)	-
Decrease in blocked deposits		-	213
Interest/profit on bank balances, short-term deposits, wakala investments		310	762
Net cash from investing activities		3,859	4,393
FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Net increase/(decreased) in borrowings		26,206	(49,069)
Dividend paid to the owners of the Parent Company		(15,392)	(12,075)
Dividend paid to non-controlling interest		(8,195)	(1,655)
Finance costs paid		(30,191)	(32,870)
Change in non-controlling interests		(7,863)	5,271
Net cash used in financing activities		(35,435)	(90,398)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		5,404	(5,740)
Translation difference		(4)	16
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		5,400	(5,724)
		18,198	23,922
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	15	23,598	18,198

The notes set out on pages 12 to 77 form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements

1 Incorporation and activities

National Industries Group Holding – KPSC (“the Parent Company”) was incorporated in 1961 as a Kuwaiti shareholding company in accordance with the Commercial Companies Law in the State of Kuwait and in April 2003, its status was transformed to a “Holding Company”. The Parent Company along with its subsidiaries are jointly referred to as “the Group”. The Parent Company’s shares are traded on the Kuwait Stock Exchange and Dubai Financial Market.

The main objectives of the Parent Company are as follows:

- Owning stocks and shares in Kuwaiti or non-Kuwaiti shareholding companies and shares in Kuwaiti or non-Kuwaiti limited liability companies and participating in the establishment of, lending to and managing of these companies and acting as a guarantor for these companies.
- Lending money to companies in which it owns 20% or more of the capital of the borrowing company, along with acting as guarantor on behalf of these companies.
- Owning industrial equities such as patents, industrial trademarks, royalties, or any other related rights, and franchising them to other companies or using them within or outside the State of Kuwait.
- Owning real estate and moveable property to conduct its operations within the limits as stipulated by law.
- Employing excess funds available with the group by investing them in investment and real estate portfolios managed by specialised companies.

The address of the Parent Company’s registered office is PO Box 417, Safat 13005, State of Kuwait.

The Board of Directors of the Parent Company approved these consolidated financial statements for issuance on 5 April 2020. The general assembly of the Parent Company’s shareholders has the power to amend these consolidated financial statements after issuance.

2 Basis of preparation

The consolidated financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention modified to include the revaluation properties, the measurement at fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and financial asset at fair value through other comprehensive income and investment properties.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Kuwaiti Dinars (“KD”) and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (KD ‘000), except when otherwise indicated.

3 Statement of compliance

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRSs”) promulgated by the International Accounting Standards Board (“IASB”), and Interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (“IFRIC”) of the IASB.

4 Changes in accounting policies

4.1 New and amended standards adopted by the Group

A number of new and revised standards are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019 which have been adopted by the Group. Information on these new standards which are relevant to the Group, is presented below:

<i>Standard or Interpretation</i>	<i>Effective for annual periods beginning</i>
IFRS 16 Leases	1 January 2019
IAS 28 – Amendments	1 January 2019
Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle	1 January 2019

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

4 Changes in accounting policies (continued)

4.1 New and amended standards adopted by the Group

IFRS 16 Leases

The Group has adopted IFRS 16 Leases effective from 1 January 2019. IFRS 16 replaces IAS 17, IFRIC 4, SIC-15 and SIC-27. IFRS 16 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases. The Group, as a lessee, has adopted the following accounting policy in respect of its leases:

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether the contract is a lease. A contract is a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for a consideration. If the contract is identified as a lease, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct cost incurred. The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method over the lease term. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by an impairment loss, if any. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the Group's incremental borrowing rate. The lease liability is subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

The Group has applied IFRS 16 using the modified retrospective approach and therefore the comparative information has not been restated. Lease liabilities and right-of-use assets were both recorded at the present value of future lease payments, thus no impact was recorded on the opening retained earnings.

The Group presents right-of-use assets separately and lease liabilities in "accounts payable and other liabilities" in the consolidated statement of financial position. The carrying value of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities as at 31 December 2019 amounted to KD6,532 thousand (KD8,427 thousand 01 January 2019) and KD6,303 thousand (KD8,460 thousand 01 January 2019) respectively.

Depreciation charge for right-of-use assets and amortised cost on lease liabilities for the current year amounted to KD1,895 thousand and KD629 thousand and are included in "general and administrative expenses" and "finance costs" respectively in the consolidated financial statement of profit or loss.

IAS 28 – Amendments

The amendments to IAS 28 clarify that an entity applies IFRS 9 *Financial Instruments*, including its impairment requirements, to long-term interests in an associate or joint venture that form part of the net investment in the associate or joint venture but to which the equity method is not applied. These include long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in an associate or joint venture.

The adoption of this amendment did not result in any significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle

Amendments to IFRS 3 and IFRS 11 - Clarify that when an entity obtains control of a business that is a joint operation it remeasures previously held interests in that business. The amendments to IFRS 11 clarify that when an entity obtains joint control of a business that is a joint operation, the entity does not remeasure previously held interests in that business.

IAS 12 - The amendments clarify that the requirements in the former paragraph 52B (to recognise the income tax consequences of dividends where the transactions or events that generated distributable profits are recognised) apply to all income tax consequences of dividends by moving the paragraph away from paragraph 52A that only deals with situations where there are different tax rates for distributed and undistributed profits.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

4 Changes in accounting policies (continued)

4.1 New and amended standards adopted by the Group

Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2015-2017 Cycle (continued)

IAS 23 - The amendments clarify that if any specific borrowing remains outstanding after the related asset is ready for its intended use or sale, that borrowing becomes part of the funds that an entity borrows generally when calculating the capitalisation rate on general borrowings

The adoption of these amendments did not result in any significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

Several other amendments and interpretations apply for the first time in 2019, but are not relevant and/or do not have a material impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

4.2 IASB Standards issued but not yet effective

At the date of authorisation of this consolidated financial statements, certain new standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards have been published by the IASB but are not yet effective, and have not been adopted early by the Group.

Management anticipates that all of the relevant pronouncements will be adopted in the Group's accounting policies for the first period beginning after the effective date of the pronouncements. Information on new standards, amendments and interpretations that are expected to be relevant to the Group's consolidated financial statements is provided below. Certain other new standards and interpretations have been issued but are not expected to be relevant and/or have a material impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

<i>Standard or Interpretation</i>	<i>Effective for annual periods beginning</i>
IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture - Amendments	No stated date
IFRS 3 - Amendments	1 January 2020
IAS 1 and IAS 8 - Amendments	1 January 2020

IFRS 10 and IAS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets between and an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture - Amendments

The Amendments to IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures (2011) clarify the treatment of the sale or contribution of assets from an investor to its associate or joint venture, as follows:

- require full recognition in the investor's financial statements of gains and losses arising on the sale or contribution of assets that constitute a business (as defined in IFRS 3 Business Combinations)
- require the partial recognition of gains and losses where the assets do not constitute a business, i.e. a gain or loss is recognised only to the extent of the unrelated investors' interests in that associate or joint venture.

These requirements apply regardless of the legal form of the transaction, e.g. whether the sale or contribution of assets occurs by an investor transferring shares in a subsidiary that holds the assets (resulting in loss of control of the subsidiary), or by the direct sale of the assets themselves.

IASB has postponed the effective date indefinitely until other projects are completed. However, early implementation is allowed. Management anticipates that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future should such transactions arise.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

4 Changes in accounting policies (continued)

4.2 IASB Standards issued but not yet effective (continued)

IFRS 3 – Amendments

The Amendments to IFRS 3 Business Combinations are changes to Appendix A Defined terms, the application guidance, and the illustrative examples of IFRS 3 only with respect to Definition of Business. The amendments:

- clarify that to be considered a business, an acquired set of activities and assets must include, at a minimum, an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs;
- narrow the definitions of a business and of outputs by focusing on goods and services provided to customers and by removing the reference to an ability to reduce costs;
- add guidance and illustrative examples to help entities assess whether a substantive process has been acquired;
- remove the assessment of whether market participants are capable of replacing any missing inputs or processes and continuing to produce outputs; and
- add an optional concentration test that permits a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business

Management does not anticipate that the application of the amendments in the future will have a significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

IAS 1 and IAS 8 – Amendments

The amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8 clarify the definition of 'material' and align the definition used in the Conceptual Framework and the standards. The threshold for materiality influencing users has been changed from 'could influence' to 'could reasonably be expected to influence'.

Management does not anticipate that the application of the amendments in the future will have a significant impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements.

5 Summary of significant accounting policies

The significant accounting policies and measurements bases adopted in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are summarised below:

5.1 Basis of consolidation

The Group financial statements consolidate those of the Parent Company and all of its subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are all entities (including structured entities) over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group 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 over the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group and they are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for reporting dates which are typically not more than three months from that of the Parent Company, using consistent accounting policies. Adjustments are made for the effect of any significant transactions or events that occur between that date and the reporting date of the Parent Company's financial statements. The details of the significant subsidiaries are set out in Note 7 to the consolidated financial statements.

All transactions and balances between Group companies are eliminated on consolidation, including unrealised gains and losses on transactions between Group companies. Where unrealised losses on intra-group asset sales are reversed on consolidation, the underlying asset is also tested for impairment from a Group perspective.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.1 Basis of consolidation (continued)

Amounts reported in the financial statements of subsidiaries have been adjusted where necessary to ensure consistency with the accounting policies adopted by the Group.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Profit or loss and other comprehensive income of subsidiaries acquired or disposed of during the year are recognised from the date the Group gains control, or until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary, as applicable.

Non-controlling interests, presented as part of equity, represent the portion of a subsidiary's profit or loss and net assets that is not held by the Group. The Group attributes total comprehensive income or loss of subsidiaries between the owners of the parent and the non-controlling interests based on their respective ownership interests. Losses within a subsidiary are attributed to the non-controlling interests even if that results in a deficit balance.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction. If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it:

- Derecognizes the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary
- Derecognizes the carrying amount of any non-controlling interests
- Derecognizes the cumulative translation differences, recorded in equity
- Recognizes the fair value of the consideration received
- Recognizes the fair value of any investment retained
- Recognizes any surplus or deficit in profit or loss
- Reclassifies the parent's share of components previously recognized in other comprehensive income to profit or loss or retained earnings, as appropriate, as would be required if the Group has directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities.

5.2 Business combinations

The Group applies the acquisition method in accounting for business combinations. The consideration transferred by the Group to obtain control of a subsidiary is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of assets transferred, liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the Group, which includes the fair value of any asset or liability arising from a contingent consideration arrangement. Acquisition costs are expensed as incurred. For each business combination, the acquirer measures the non-controlling interests in the acquiree either at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date through the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

The Group recognises identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed in a business combination regardless of whether they have been previously recognised in the acquiree's financial statements prior to the acquisition. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed are generally measured at their acquisition-date fair values.

When the Group acquires a business, it assesses the financial assets and liabilities assumed for appropriate classification and designation in accordance with the contractual terms, economic circumstances and pertinent conditions as at the acquisition date. This includes the separation of embedded derivatives in host contracts by the acquiree.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.2 Business combinations (continued)

Goodwill is stated after separate recognition of identifiable intangible assets. It is calculated as the excess of the sum of a) fair value of consideration transferred, b) the recognised amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree and c) acquisition-date fair value of any existing equity interest in the acquiree, over the acquisition-date fair values of identifiable net assets. If the fair values of identifiable net assets exceed the sum calculated above, the excess amount (i.e. gain on a bargain purchase) is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss immediately.

5.3 Goodwill and other intangible assets

5.3.1 Goodwill

Goodwill represents the future economic benefits arising from a business combination that are not individually identified and separately recognised. See note 24 for information on how goodwill is initially determined. Goodwill is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Refer to Note 5.12 for a description of impairment testing procedures.

5.3.2 Other intangible assets

Identifiable non-monetary assets acquired in as business combination and from which future benefits are expected to flow are treated as intangible assets. Intangible assets comprise of Indefeasible Rights of Use (IRU).

Intangible assets which have a finite life are amortized over their useful lives. For acquired network businesses whose operations are governed by fixed term licenses, the amortisation period is determined primarily by reference to the unexpired license period and the conditions for license renewal.

IRU are the rights to use a portion of the capacity of a terrestrial or submarine transmission cable granted for a fixed period. IRUs are recognised at cost as an asset when the Group has the specific indefeasible right to use an identified portion of the underlying asset, generally optical fibres or dedicated wave length bandwidth and the duration of the right is for the major part of the underlying asset's economic life. They are amortised on a straight line basis over the shorter of the expected period of use and the life of the contract which ranges between 10 to 15 years.

5.4 Investment in associates

Associates are those entities over which the Group is able to exert significant influence but which are neither subsidiaries nor joint ventures. Investments in associates are initially recognised at cost and subsequently accounted for using the equity method. Any goodwill or fair value adjustment attributable to the Group's share in the associate is not recognised separately and is included in the amount recognised as investment in associates.

Under the equity method, the carrying amount of the investment in associates is increased or decreased to recognise the Group's share of the profit or loss and other comprehensive income of the associate, adjusted where necessary to ensure consistency with the accounting policies of the Group.

Unrealised gains and losses on transactions between the Group and its associates and joint ventures are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in those entities. Where unrealised losses are eliminated, the underlying asset is also tested for impairment.

The share of results of an associate is shown on the face of the consolidated statements of profit or loss. This is the profit attributable to equity holders of the associate and therefore is profit after tax and non-controlling interests in the subsidiaries of the associate.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.4 Investment in associates (continued)

The difference in reporting dates of the associates and the Group is not more than three months. Adjustments are made for the effects of significant transactions or events that occur between that date and the date of the Group's consolidated financial statements. The associate's accounting policies conform to those used by the Group for like transactions and events in similar circumstances.

After application of the equity method, the Group determines whether it is necessary to recognise an additional impairment loss on the Group's investment in its associate. The Group determines at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that the investment in the associate is impaired. If this is the case the Group calculates the amount of impairment as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate and its carrying value and recognises the amount under a separate heading in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Upon loss of significant influence over the associate, the Group measures and recognises any retained investment at its fair value. Any differences between the carrying amount of the associate upon loss of significant influence and the fair value of the retained investment and proceeds from disposal are recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

5.5 Segment reporting

The Group has four operating segments: Investment, building materials, specialist engineering and hotel and IT services segments. In identifying these operating segments, management generally follows the Group's service lines representing its main products and services. Each of these operating segments is managed separately as each requires different approaches and other resources.

For management purposes, the Group uses the same measurement policies as those used in its financial statements. In addition, assets or liabilities which are not directly attributable to the business activities of any operating segment are not allocated to a segment.

5.6 Revenue

Revenue arises from sale of goods, rendering of services, investing and real estate activities.

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled 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. The Group follows a 5-step process:

- 1 Identifying the contract with a customer
- 2 Identifying the performance obligations
- 3 Determining the transaction price
- 4 Allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations
- 5 Recognising revenue when/as performance obligation(s) are satisfied

The Group often enters into transactions involving a range of the Group's products and services.

In all cases, the total transaction price for a contract is allocated amongst the various performance obligations based on their relative stand-alone selling prices.

Revenue is recognised either at a point in time or over time, when (or as) the Group satisfies performance obligations by transferring the promised goods or services to its customers.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.6 Revenue (continued)

The Group recognises revenue from the following major sources:

5.6.1 Sale of goods

Revenue from sale of goods is recognized at the point in time when control of the asset is transferred to the customers generally upon delivery or shipment of the goods.

Revenue from the sale of goods with no significant service obligation is recognised on delivery.

In determining the transaction price for the sale of goods, the Group considers the effects of variable consideration, the existence of significant financing components, non-cash consideration and consideration payable to the customer (if any).

5.6.2 Rendering of services

The Group generates revenues from after-sales service and maintenance, consulting, hotel operations, IT services and construction contracts. Consideration received for these services is initially deferred, included in other liabilities and is recognised as revenue in the period when the service is performed.

In recognising after-sales service and maintenance revenues, the Group considers the nature of the services and the customer's use of the related products, based on historical experience.

The Group also renders hotel services and revenue from rendering of services is recognised in the accounting period in which the services are rendered or performed. Room revenue is recognised on the rooms occupied on a daily basis and food and beverage and other related sales are accounted for at the time of sale.

The Group earns fees and commission income from diverse range of asset management, investment banking, custody, consulting and brokerage services provided to its customers. Fees and commission income are recognised over the period of the service.

5.6.3 Interest income

Interest income is reported on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

5.6.4 Dividend income

Dividend income, other than those from investments in associates, are recognised at the time the right to receive payment is established.

5.6.5 Rental income

Rental income from investment properties is recognised as noted in Note 5.10.

5.7 Operating expenses

Operating expenses are recognised in profit or loss upon utilisation of the service or at the date of their origin.

5.8 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised during the period of time that is necessary to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use or sale. Other borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred and reported in finance costs.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.9 Property, plant and equipment and depreciation

Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost or valuation, less the estimated residual value of property, plant and equipment, on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold buildings	Lower of 50 years or remaining useful life
Long leasehold property	Lower of 50 years or remaining lease term
Short leasehold property	Lease term
Property on leasehold land	4 to 20 years
Plant and machinery	1 to 20 years
Motor vehicles	2 to 10 years
Furniture and equipment	3 to 10 years

Any increase arising on revaluation is credited directly to other comprehensive income as “revaluation reserve” except to the extent where the increase reverses a revaluation decrease related to the same asset for which a decrease in valuation has previously been recognised as an expense, it is credited to the consolidated statement of income. Any decrease in the net carrying amount arising on revaluation is charged directly to the consolidated statement of income, or charged to the revaluation reserve to the extent that the decrease is related to an increase for the same asset which was previously recorded as a credit to the revaluation surplus.

Depreciation on the re-valued properties is charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss over their remaining estimated useful lives and an amount equivalent to the excess depreciation charge relating to the increase in carrying amount is transferred each year from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings.

No depreciation is provided on freehold land. Properties in the course of construction for production or administrative purposes are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Depreciation of these assets, which is on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

5.10 Leases

The Group as a lessee

For any new contracts entered into on or after 1 January 2019, the Group considers whether a contract is, or contains a lease. A lease is defined as ‘a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration’.

To apply this definition the Group assesses whether the contract meets three key evaluations which are whether:

- the contract contains an identified asset, which is either explicitly identified in the contract or implicitly specified by being identified at the time the asset is made available to the Group
- the Group has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset throughout the period of use, considering its rights within the defined scope of the contract
- the Group has the right to direct the use of the identified asset throughout the period of use. The Group assess whether it has the right to direct ‘how and for what purpose’ the asset is used throughout the period of use.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.10 Leases (continued)

The Group as a lessee (continued)

The Group has elected to account for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets using the practical expedients. Instead of recognising a right-of-use asset and lease liability, the payments in relation to these are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Measurement and recognition of leases as a lessee

At lease commencement date, the Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on the balance sheet measured as follows:

Right-of-use asset

The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which is made up of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any initial direct costs incurred by the Group, an estimate of any costs to dismantle and remove the asset at the end of the lease, and any lease payments made in advance of the lease commencement date (net of any incentives received).

Subsequent to initial measurement, the Group depreciates the right-of-use assets on a straight-line basis from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The Group also assesses the right-of-use asset for impairment when such indicators exist.

Lease liability

At the commencement date, the Group measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments unpaid at that date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease if that rate is readily available or the Group's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are made up of fixed payments (including in substance fixed), variable payments based on an index or rate, amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee and payments arising from options reasonably certain to be exercised.

Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability is reduced for payments made and increased for interest. It is remeasured to reflect any reassessment or modification, or if there are changes in in-substance fixed payments. When the lease liability is remeasured, the corresponding adjustment is reflected in the right-of-use asset, or profit and loss if the right-of-use asset is already reduced to zero.

The Group as a lessor

The Group enters into lease agreements as a lessor with respect to some of its investment properties. The Group classifies its leases as either operating or finance leases. When the terms of a lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

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

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

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.10 Leases (continued)

Amounts due under finance leases are recognised as receivables. Finance lease income is allocated to the accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding for the finance lease.

5.11 Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation, and are accounted for using the fair value model.

Investment properties are initially measured at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequently, investment properties are re-measured at fair value on an individual basis based on valuations by independent real estate valuers and are included in the consolidated statement of financial position. Changes in fair value are taken to the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Investment properties are de-recognised when either they have been disposed of or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefit is expected from its disposal. Any gains or losses on the retirement or disposal of an investment property are recognised in the consolidated statement of income in the year of retirement or disposal.

Transfers are made to or from investment property only when there is a change in use. For a transfer from investment property to owner-occupied property, the deemed cost for subsequent accounting is the fair value at the date of change in use. If owner-occupied property becomes an investment property, the Group accounts for such property in accordance with the policy stated under property, plant and equipment up to the date of change in use.

5.12 Impairment testing of goodwill and non-financial assets

For impairment assessment purposes, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are largely independent cash inflows (cash generating units). As a result, some assets are tested individually for impairment and some are tested at cash-generating unit level. Goodwill is allocated to those cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from synergies of the related business combination and represent the lowest level within the Group at which management monitors goodwill.

Cash-generating units to which goodwill has been allocated (determined by the Group's management as equivalent to its operating segments) are tested for impairment at least annually. All other individual assets or cash-generating units are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable.

An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's or cash-generating unit's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value-in-use. To determine the value-in-use, management estimates expected future cash flows from the asset or each cash-generating unit and determines a suitable interest rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows. The data used for impairment testing procedures are directly linked to the Group's latest approved budget, adjusted as necessary to exclude the effects of future reorganisations and asset enhancements.

Discount factors are determined individually for each asset or cash-generating unit and reflect management's assessment of respective risk profiles, such as market and asset-specific risks factors.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.12 Impairment testing of goodwill and non-financial assets (continued)

Impairment losses for cash-generating units reduce first the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to that cash-generating unit. Any remaining impairment loss is charged pro rata to the other assets in the cash-generating unit. With the exception of goodwill, all assets are subsequently reassessed for indications that an impairment loss previously recognised may no longer exist. An impairment charge is reversed if the cash-generating unit's recoverable amount exceeds its carrying amount.

5.13 Financial instruments

5.13.1 Recognition, initial measurement and derecognition

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument and are measured initially at fair value adjusted by directly attributable transactions costs, except for those carried at fair value through profit or loss which are measured initially at fair value. Subsequent measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities are described below.

A financial asset (or, where applicable a part of financial asset or part of group of similar financial assets) is primarily derecognised when:

- rights to receive cash flows from the assets have expired;
- the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass through' arrangement; and either
 - (a) the Group has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset or
 - (b) the Group has neither transferred nor retained substantially all risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if and to what extent it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership.

When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, nor transferred control of the asset, the Group continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of the Group's continuing involvement. In that case, the Group also recognises an associated liability. The transferred asset and the associated liability are measured on a basis that reflects the rights and obligations that the Group has retained.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability, and the difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in consolidated statement of profit or loss.

For the purpose of subsequent measurement, financial assets other than those designated and effective as hedging instruments are classified into the following categories upon initial recognition:

- financial assets at amortised cost
- financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)
- financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive (FVOCI)

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.13 Financial instruments (continued)

5.13.2 Classification of financial assets

The classification is determined by both:

- the entity's business model for managing the financial asset
- the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset

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 (Note 5.13.3); and
- the Group may irrevocably designate a debt investment that meets the amortised cost or FVOCI criteria as measured at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch. In this period presented, no such irrevocable designation has been made.

5.13.3 Subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost if the assets meet the following conditions (and are not designated as FVTPL):

- they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold the financial assets and collect its contractual cash flows
- the contractual terms of the financial assets give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding

After initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less provision for impairment. Discounting is omitted where the effect of discounting is immaterial.

The Group's financial assets at amortised cost comprise of the following:

- *Wakala investments*

Wakala is an agreement whereby the Group provides a sum of money to a financial institution under an agency arrangement, who invests it according to specific conditions in return for a fee. The agent is obliged to return the amount in case of default, negligence or violation of any terms and conditions of Wakala.

- *Bank balances, cash and short term deposits*

Cash on hand and demand deposits are classified under bank balances and cash and short term deposits represent deposits placed with financial institutions with a maturity of less than one year.

- *Receivables and other financial assets*

Trade receivable are stated at original invoice amount less allowance for impairment.

Receivables which are not categorised under any of the above are classified as "Other receivables/Other financial assets"

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.13 Financial instruments (continued)

5.13.3 Subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

Financial assets at amortised cost (continued)

Financial assets at FVTPL

Financial assets that do not meet the criteria for measurement at amortised cost or FVOCI are categorised at fair value through profit and loss. Further, irrespective of business model financial assets whose contractual cash flows are not solely payments of principal and interest are accounted for at FVTPL. All derivative financial instruments fall into this category, except for those designated and effective as hedging instruments, for which the hedge accounting requirements apply. The category also contains investments in equity shares.

Assets in this category are measured at fair value with gains or losses recognised in consolidated statement of profit or loss. The fair values of financial assets in this category are determined by reference to active market transactions or using a valuation technique where no active market exists.

The Group's financial assets at FVTPL comprise of the following:

- *Investment in managed portfolios and funds*
- *Investment in quoted shares*
- *Investment in unquoted equity participation*

Financial assets at FVOCI

The Group's financial assets at FVOCI comprise of investments in managed portfolios and funds, equity shares (quoted shares and unquoted equity participation).

On initial recognition, the Group may make irrevocable election (on an instrument-by-instrument basis) to designate investments in equity instruments as at FVOCI. Designate at FVOCI is not permitted if the equity investment is held for trading or if it is contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination.

A financial asset is held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has evidence of a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative (except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

Investments in equity instruments at FVOCI 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 cumulative changes in fair value reserve. The cumulative gain or loss is transferred to retained earnings within the consolidated statement of changes in equity.

Dividends on these investments in equity instruments are recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.13 Financial instruments (continued)

5.13.4 Impairment of financial assets

The Group computes expected credit losses (ECL) on the following financial instruments that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss:

- Bank balances
- Short term deposits
- Wakala and sukuk investments
- Accounts receivables and other financial assets

The Group recognises ECL on investment in debt instruments measured at amortised cost on balances and deposits with banks and other assets. Equity instruments are not subject to Expected Credit Losses.

Expected Credit Losses

The Group applies three-stage approach to measuring expected credit losses (ECL) as follows:

Stage 1: 12 months ECL

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to 12-month ECL on financial assets where there has not been significant increase in credit risk since their initial recognition or on exposures that are determined to

have a low credit risk at the reporting date. The Group considers a financial asset to have low credit risk when its credit risk rating is equivalent to the globally understood definition of 'investment grade'.

Stage 2: Lifetime ECL – not credit impaired

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL on financial assets where there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition but are not credit impaired.

Stage 3: Lifetime ECL – credit impaired

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL on financial assets that are determined to be credit impaired based on objective evidence of impairment.

Life time ECL is ECL that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument. The 12 month ECL is the portion of life time expected credit loss that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date. Both life time ECLs and 12 month ECLs are calculated on either an individual basis or a collective basis depending on the nature of the underlying portfolio of financial instruments.

Determining the stage of impairment

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether a financial asset or group of financial assets is credit impaired. The Group considers a financial asset to be credit impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred or when contractual payments are 90 days past due.

At each reporting date, the Group also assesses whether there has been significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition by comparing the risk of default occurring over the remaining expected life from the reporting date with the risk of default at the date of initial recognition. The quantitative criteria used to determine a significant increase in credit risk is a series of relative and absolute thresholds. All financial assets that are 30 days past due are deemed to have significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition and migrated to stage 2 even if other criteria do not indicate a significant increase in credit risk.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.13 Financial instruments (continued)

5.13.4 Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Expected Credit Losses (continued)

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are probability weighted estimates of credit losses and are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial instrument. Cash shortfall represent the difference between cash flows due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive. The key elements in the measurement of ECL include probability of default (PD), loss given default (LGD) and exposure at default (EAD). The Group estimates these elements using appropriate credit risk models taking into consideration the internal and external credit ratings of the assets, nature and value of collaterals, forward looking macro-economic scenarios etc.

The Group has applied simplified approach to impairment for trade and other assets as permitted under the standard. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on the Group's historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

5.13.5 Classification and subsequent measurement of financial liabilities

The Group's financial liabilities include trust certificates issued, borrowings, leasing creditors, due to banks, trade payables and other liabilities and derivative financial instruments.

The subsequent measurement of financial liabilities depends on their classification as follows:

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

These are stated at amortised cost using effective interest rate method. The Group categorises financial liabilities at amortised cost into the following categories:

- *Borrowings*

All borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. Gains and losses are recognised in the consolidated statement of income when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the effective interest rate method (EIR) amortisation process.

- *Bonds*

Bonds are stated on the consolidated statement of financial position at their principal amount, net of directly related costs of issuing the bonds to the extent that such costs have not been amortised. These costs are amortised through the consolidated statement of profit or loss over the life of the bonds using the effective interest rate method.

Finance cost is charged as an expense as it accrues, with unpaid amounts included in accounts payable and other liabilities.

- *Wakala payables*

Wakala payables represent short-term borrowings under Islamic principles, whereby the Group receives funds for the purpose of financing its investment activities and are stated at amortised cost.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.13 Financial instruments (continued)

5.13.5 Classification and subsequent measurement of financial liabilities (continued)

Financial liabilities at amortised cost (continued)

- *Murabaha finance payables*

Murabaha finance payables represent amounts payable on a deferred settlement basis for assets purchased under murabaha arrangements. Murabaha finance payables are stated at the gross amount of the payable, net of deferred finance cost. Deferred finance cost is expensed on a time apportionment basis taking into account the borrowing rate attributable and the balance outstanding.

- *Ijara financing*

Ijara finance payable ending with ownership is an Islamic financing arrangement through which a financial institution provides finance to purchase an asset by way of renting the asset ending with transferring its ownership. This ijara finance payable is stated at the gross amount of the payable, net of deferred finance cost. Deferred finance costs are expensed on a time apportionment basis taking into account the borrowing rate attributable and the balance outstanding.

- *Accounts payables and other financial liabilities*

Liabilities are recognised for amounts to be paid in the future for goods or services received, whether billed by the supplier or not, and classified as trade payables. Financial liabilities other than at FVTPL which are not categorised under any of the above are classified as “Other financial liabilities”

All derivative financial instruments that are not designated and effective as hedging instruments are accounted for at FVTPL.

All interest-related charges and, if applicable, changes in an instrument’s fair value that are reported in profit or loss, are included within finance costs or other income.

Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)

Financial liabilities at FVTPL are either held for trading or designated as such on initial recognition.

Financial liabilities held for trading or designated at FVTPL, are carried subsequently at fair value with gains or losses recognised in profit or loss. All derivative financial instruments that are not designated and effective as hedging instruments are accounted for at FVTPL.

Derivative financial instruments

Where the Group uses derivative financial instruments, such as interest rate to mitigate its risks associated with interest rate fluctuations, such derivative financial instruments are initially recognised at cost, being the fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into, and are subsequently re-measured at fair value. The fair value of a derivative is the equivalent of the unrealised gain or loss from marking to market the derivative using valuation quotes provided by financial institutions, based on prevailing market information. Derivatives, if any, are carried as assets when the fair value is positive and as liabilities when the fair value is negative. The Group does not adopt hedge accounting, and any realised and unrealised (from changes in fair value) gain or losses are recognised directly in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.13 Financial instruments (continued)

5.13.6 *Amortised cost of financial instruments*

This is computed using the effective interest method less any allowance for impairment. The calculation takes into account any premium or discount on acquisition and includes transaction costs and fees that are an integral part of the effective interest rate.

5.13.7 *Offsetting of financial instruments*

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

5.13.8 *Fair value of financial instruments*

The fair value of financial instruments that are traded in active markets at each reporting date is determined by reference to quoted market prices or dealer price quotations (bid price for long positions and ask price for short positions), without any deduction for transaction costs.

For financial instruments not traded in an active market, the fair value is determined using appropriate valuation techniques. Such techniques may include using recent arm's length market transactions; reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same; a discounted cash flow analysis or other valuation models.

An analysis of fair values of financial instruments and further details as to how they are measured are provided in Note 35.

5.14 Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes all expenses directly attributable to the manufacturing process as well as suitable portions of related production overheads, based on normal operating capacity. Costs of ordinarily interchangeable items are assigned using the weighted average cost formula.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less any applicable selling expenses.

5.15 Equity, reserves and dividend payments

Share capital represents the nominal value of shares that have been issued and paid up.

Share premium includes any premiums received on issue of share capital. Any transaction costs associated with the issuing of shares are deducted from share premium.

Statutory and voluntary reserves comprise appropriations of current and prior period profits in accordance with the requirements of the companies' law and the Parent Company's Articles of Association.

Other components of equity include the following:

- foreign currency translation reserve – comprises foreign currency translation differences arising from the translation of financial statements of the Group's foreign entities into KD and the Group's share of foreign currency translation reserves shown in the associates statement of financial position.
- Cumulative changes in fair value – comprises gains and losses relating to financial assets at FVOCI

Retained earnings include all current and prior period profit retained/(losses) incurred. All transactions with owners of the Parent Company are recorded separately within equity.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.15 Equity, reserves and dividend payments (continued)

Dividend distributions payable to equity shareholders are included in other liabilities when the dividends have been approved in a General Assembly meeting.

5.16 Treasury shares

Treasury shares consist of the Parent Company's own issued shares that have been reacquired by the Group and not yet reissued or cancelled. The treasury shares are accounted for using the cost method. Under this method, the weighted average cost of the shares reacquired is charged to a contra account in equity.

When the treasury shares are reissued, gains are credited to a separate account in equity, (the "gain on sale of treasury shares reserve"), which is not distributable. Any realised losses are charged to the same account to the extent of the credit balance on that account. Any excess losses are charged to retained earnings then to the voluntary reserve and statutory reserve. No cash dividends are paid on these shares. The issue of stock dividend shares increases the number of treasury shares proportionately and reduces the average cost per share without affecting the total cost of treasury shares.

5.17 Provisions, contingent assets and contingent liabilities

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required from the Group and amounts can be estimated reliably. Timing or amount of the outflow may still be uncertain.

Provisions are measured at the estimated expenditure required to settle the present obligation, based on the most reliable evidence available at the reporting date, including the risks and uncertainties associated with the present obligation. Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. Provisions are discounted to their present values, where the time value of money is material.

Contingent assets are not recognised in the consolidated financial statements, but are disclosed when an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

Contingent liabilities are not recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position, but are disclosed unless the possibility of an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits is remote.

5.18 Foreign currency translation

5.18.1 Functional and presentation currency

The consolidated financial statements are presented in currency Kuwait Dinar (KD), which is also the functional currency of the parent company. Each entity in the Group determines its own functional currency and items included in the financial statements of each entity are measured using that functional currency.

5.18.2 Foreign currency transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency of the respective Group entity, using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions (spot exchange rate). Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the re-measurement of monetary items denominated in foreign currency at year-end exchange rates are recognised in profit or loss. Non-monetary items are not retranslated at year-end and are measured at historical cost (translated using the exchange rates at the transaction date), except for non-monetary items measured at fair value which are translated using the exchange rates at the date when fair value was determined. Translation difference on non-monetary asset classified as, "fair value through profit or loss" is reported as part of the fair value gain or loss in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and "financial assets at FVOCI" are reported as part of the cumulative change in fair value reserve within other comprehensive income.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.18 Foreign currency translation (continued)

5.18.3 Foreign operations

In the Group's financial statements, all assets, liabilities and transactions of Group entities with a functional currency other than the KD are translated into KD upon consolidation.

On consolidation, assets and liabilities have been translated into KD at the closing rate at the reporting date. Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity have been treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated into KD at the closing rate. Income and expenses have been translated into KD at the average rate over the reporting period. Exchange differences are charged/credited to other comprehensive income and recognised in the foreign currency translation reserve in equity. On disposal/liquidation of a foreign operation, the related cumulative translation differences recognised in equity are reclassified to profit or loss and are recognised as part of the gain or loss on disposal/liquidation.

5.19 End of service indemnity

The parent and its local subsidiaries provides end of service benefits to its employees. The entitlement to these benefits is based upon the employees' final salary and length of service, subject to the completion of a minimum service period in accordance with relevant labour law and the employees' contracts. The expected costs of these benefits are accrued over the period of employment. This liability, which is unfunded, represents the amount payable to each employee as a result of termination on the reporting date.

In addition to the end of service benefits with respect to its Kuwaiti national employees, the Group also makes contributions to the Public Institution for Social Security calculated as a percentage of the employees' salaries. The Group's obligations are limited to these contributions, which are expensed when due.

5.20 Pensions (related to the foreign subsidiaries)

Contributions are paid to both defined benefit and defined contribution pension schemes in accordance with the recommendations of independent actuaries and advisors. Contributions to defined contribution schemes are charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss on an accrual basis.

In respect of defined benefit schemes a defined benefit liability (or asset) is recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position and it is calculated as the present value of the defined benefit obligation using the projected unit credit method plus any unrecognised actuarial gains or losses less any past service cost not recognised less the market value of the plan assets.

Pension expense is charged to the consolidated statement of profit or loss and is calculated as the aggregate of current service cost (using the projected unit credit method), a net interest cost on the discounted defined benefit obligation net of the expected return on plan assets, recognised past service costs and the effect of curtailments or settlements.

Actuarial gains or losses are recognised in full in other comprehensive income.

5.21 Share-based Payment

Certain employees of the Group receive remuneration in the form of share-based payment transactions, whereby the employees render services in exchange for shares ("equity settled transactions").

Equity-settled transactions

The cost of equity-settled transactions with employees is measured under the intrinsic value method. Under this method, the cost is determined by comparing the period end market value of the company's shares with the issue price. The cost of equity settled transactions is recognised, together with a corresponding increase in equity, over the period in which the performance conditions are fulfilled, ending on the date on which the shares vest.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

5 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

5.22 Taxation

5.22.1 National Labour Support Tax (NLST)

NLST is calculated in accordance with Law No. 19 of 2000 and the Minister of Finance Resolutions No. 24 of 2006 at 2.5% of taxable profit of the Group. As per law, allowable deductions include, share of profits of listed associates and cash dividends from listed companies which are subjected to NLST.

For the year ended 31 December 2018, one of the subsidiaries of the Group has no liability towards NLST in line with agreement between The Islamic Republic of Pakistan and the State of Kuwait for the “avoidance of double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income” which state that income source shall be taxed only in the Contracting State.

5.22.2 Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS)

The contribution to KFAS is calculated at 1% of taxable profit of the Group in accordance with the modified calculation based on the Foundation’s Board of Directors’ resolution, which states that income from Kuwaiti shareholding associates and subsidiaries and transfer to statutory reserve should be excluded from profit for the year when determining the contribution.

5.22.3 Zakat

Contribution to Zakat is calculated at 1% of the profit of the Group in accordance with the Ministry of Finance resolution No. 58/2007 effective from 10 December 2007.

5.22.4 Withholding taxes

The Group is exempt from income taxation and withholding taxes in Kuwait. However, in some jurisdictions, investment income and capital gains are subject to withholding tax deducted at the source of the income. Withholding tax is a generic term used for the amount of withholding tax deducted of the source of the income and is not significant for the Group. The Group presents the withholding tax separately from the gross investment income in the consolidated statement of profit or loss. For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash inflows from investments are presented net of withholding taxes, when applicable.

5.22.5 Taxation on overseas subsidiaries

Taxation on overseas subsidiaries is calculated on the basis of the tax rates applicable and prescribed according to the prevailing laws, regulations and instructions of the countries where these subsidiaries operate.

Deferred taxation is provided in respect of all temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are recognised in respect of unutilised tax losses when it is probable that the loss will be used against future profits.

5.23 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and bank balances, short-term deposits, murabaha and wakala investments and short term highly liquid investments maturing within three months from the date of inception less due to banks and blocked bank balances.

5.24 Fiduciary assets

Assets held in trust or in a fiduciary capacity are not treated as assets of the Group and accordingly are not included in these consolidated financial statements.

5.25 Related party transactions

Related parties are associates, major shareholders, board of directors, executive staff, their family members and the companies owned by them. All related party transactions are carried out with the approval of the Group’s management.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

6 Significant management judgements and estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the Group's consolidated financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent liabilities, at the end of the reporting period. However, uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the asset or liability affected in future periods.

6.1 Significant management judgments

In the process of applying the Group's accounting policies, management has made the following significant judgments, which have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements:

6.1.1 Business model assessment

The Group classifies financial assets after performing the business model test (please see accounting policy for financial instruments sections in Note 5.13). This test includes judgement reflecting all relevant evidence including how the performance of the assets is evaluated and their performance measured and the risks that affect the performance of the assets. Monitoring is part of the Group's continuous assessment of whether the business model for which the remaining financial assets are held continues to be appropriate and if it is not appropriate whether there has been a change in business model and so a prospective change to the classification of those assets.

6.1.2 Significant increase in credit risk

Estimated credit losses are measured as an allowance equal to 12-month ECL for stage 1 assets, or lifetime ECL for stage 2 or stage 3 assets. An asset moves to stage 2 when its credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. IFRS 9 does not define "significant" increase. Therefore, assessment whether the credit risk of an asset has significantly increased the Group takes into account qualitative and quantitative reasonable and supportable forward looking information.

6.1.3 Classification of real estate

Management decides on acquisition of a real estate whether it should be classified as trading or investment property. Such judgement at acquisition determines whether these properties are subsequently measured at cost or net realisable value whichever is lower or fair value and if the changes in fair value of these properties are reported in the statement of profit or loss.

The Group classifies property as trading property if it is acquired principally for sale in the ordinary course of business. And if such properties are under development with an intention of being sold in future they are classified under trading properties under development.

The Group classifies property as investment property if it is acquired to generate rental income or for capital appreciation, or for undetermined future use. And if such properties are under development they are classified under investment properties under development.

6.1.4 Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured based on the consideration which the Group expects to be entitled in a contract and is recognised when it transfers control of a product or service to a customer. The determination of whether the revenue recognition criteria as specified under IFRS 15 and in the revenue accounting policy explained in Note 5.6 are met requires significant judgement.

6.1.5 Control assessment

When determining control, management considers whether the Group has the practical ability to direct the relevant activities of an investee on its own to generate returns for itself. The assessment of relevant activities and ability to use its power to affect variable return requires considerable judgement.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

6 Significant management judgements and estimation uncertainty (continued)

6.1. Significant management judgments (continued)

6.1.6 Equity method accounting for entities in which the Group holds less than 20% of the voting rights

Management has assessed the level of influence that the Group has over its material associate, Mabanee Company - KPSC and determined that it has significant influence even though the shareholding in this associate is below 20%, because of the factors mentioned in note 22.3. Consequently, this investment has been classified as an associate and has been accounted for using the equity method.

6.2. Estimates uncertainty

Information about estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below. Actual results may be substantially different.

6.2.1 Impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets

The Group determines whether goodwill and intangible assets are impaired at least on an annual basis. This requires an estimation of the value in use of the cash-generating units to which the goodwill is allocated. Estimating the value in use requires the Group to make an estimate of the expected future cash flows from the cash-generating unit and also to choose a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value of those cash flows (Refer note 24).

6.2.2. Impairment of associates

After application of the equity method, the Group determines whether it is necessary to recognise any impairment loss on the Group's investment in its associated companies, at each reporting date based on existence of any objective evidence that the investment in the associate is impaired. If this is the case the Group calculates the amount of impairment as the difference between the recoverable amount of the associate and its carrying value and recognises the amount in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

6.2.3. Impairment of financial assets

Measurement of estimated credit losses involves estimates of loss given default and probability of default. Loss given default is an estimate of the loss arising in case of default by customer. Probability of default is an estimate of the likelihood of default in the future. The Group based these estimates using 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.

During the year, the Group has recognised net impairment losses of KD790 thousand (2018: KD1,280 thousand) against accounts receivables and other assets.

6.2.4. Useful lives of depreciable/amortisable assets

Management reviews its estimate of the useful lives of depreciable/amortisable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets. Uncertainties in these estimates relate to technical and other obsolescence that may change the utility of certain software, intangible assets and property, plant and equipment.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

6 Significant management judgements and estimation uncertainty (Continued)

6.2. Estimates uncertainty (continued)

6.2.5. Impairment of inventories

Inventories are held at the lower of cost and net realisable value. When inventories become old or obsolete, an estimate is made of their net realisable value. For individually significant amounts this estimation is performed on an individual basis. Amounts which are not individually significant, but which are old or obsolete, are assessed collectively and a provision applied according to the inventory type and the degree of ageing or obsolescence, based on historical selling prices.

Management estimates the net realisable values of inventories, taking into account the most reliable evidence available at each reporting date. The future realisation of these inventories may be affected by future technology or other market-driven changes that may reduce future selling prices.

At the financial position date, gross inventories were KD37,449 thousand (2018: KD38,005 thousand), with provision for old and obsolete inventories of KD1,501 thousand (2018: KD1,418 thousand). Any difference between the amounts actually realised in future periods and the amount expected will be recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

6.2.6. Fair value of financial instruments

Management apply valuation techniques to determine the fair value of financial instruments where active market quotes are not available. This requires management to develop estimates and assumptions based on market inputs, using observable data that market participants would use in pricing the instrument. Where such data is not observable, management uses its best estimate. Estimated fair values of financial instruments may vary from the actual prices that would be achieved in an arm's length transaction at the reporting date.

6.2.7. Revaluation of investment properties

The Group carries its investment properties at fair value, with changes in fair value being recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss. The Group engaged independent valuation specialists to determine fair values and the valuers have used valuation techniques to arrive at these fair values. These estimated fair values of investment properties may vary from the actual prices that would be achieved in a arm's length transaction at the reporting date.

6.2.8. Defined benefits obligation

Management's estimate of the defined benefit obligation is based on number of critical underlying assumption such as standard rates of inflation, mortality, discount rate and anticipation of future pension increases. Variation in these assumptions may significantly impact the defined benefit obligations and amount and the annual defined benefits expenses (as analysed in Note 32).

6.2.9. Provision for foreign taxation

The Group has made provision for potential tax liabilities which may arise on foreign income. These provisions have been assessed based on information available to management as of the reporting date. The actual liability which may or may not arise if and when the relevant tax authorities make an official assessment may substantially differ from the actual provision made (Note 25 b).

6.2.10. Contract revenue

Recognised amounts of service and related receivables reflect management's best estimate of each contract's outcome and stage of completion. For more complex contracts in particular, costs to complete and contract profitability are subject to significant estimation uncertainty.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

7 Subsidiary companies

7.1 Details of the Group's material consolidated subsidiaries at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	Country of registration and place of business	Nature of business	Proportion of ownership interest	
			31 Dec. 2019 %	31 Dec. 2018 %
Al Durra National Real Estate – KSC (Closed)	Kuwait	Real Estate	97*	97*
National Combined Industries Holding Company for Energy – KSC (Closed)	Kuwait	Investments	96*	96*
Pearl National Holding – KSC (Closed)	Kuwait	Investments	99*	99*
Economic Holding Company – KSC (Closed)	Kuwait	Investments	97*	97*
BI Group Plc	United Kingdom	Specialist Engineering	100	100
Proclad Group Limited	UAE	Specialist Engineering	100	100
Eagle Proprietary Investments Limited	UAE	Investments	100	100
Pearl Offshore Enterprises Limited (note 7.3)	BVI	Investments Holdings	100	100
Denham Investment Limited	Cayman Islands	Investments	85	85
Ikarus Petroleum Industries Company – KSC (Closed)	Kuwait	Petroleum	72	72
National Industries Company - KPSC	Kuwait	Industrial	50	50
Noor Financial Investment Company – KPSC	Kuwait	Investments	50	50

* The Group's holding of these subsidiaries are 100% and the remaining stake is held by nominees on its behalf.

7.2 Subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests

The Group includes three subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests (NCI):

Name	Proportion of ownership interests and voting rights held by the NCI		Profit allocated to NCI		Accumulated NCI	
	31 Dec. 2019	31 Dec. 2018	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Noor Financial Investment Company - KPSC (NFI)	50%	50%	4,797	10,732	45,158	48,092
National Industries Company - KPSC (NIC)	50%	50%	1,044	1,737	49,921	51,250
Ikarus Petroleum Industries Company – KSC (Closed) (IPI)	28%	28%	1,363	3,050	28,674	35,997
Individual immaterial subsidiaries with non-controlling interests			(199)	107	6,913	8,323
			7,005	15,626	130,666	143,662

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

7 Subsidiary companies (continued)

7.2 Subsidiaries with material non-controlling interests (continued)

Summarised financial information for the above subsidiaries, before intragroup eliminations, is set out below:

	31 December 2019			31 December 2018		
	NFI KD '000	NIC KD '000	IPI KD '000	NFI KD '000	NIC KD '000	IPI KD '000
Total assets	108,230	114,363	111,665	131,309	112,032	121,851
Total liabilities	(36,976)	(25,341)	(26,397)	(61,713)	(23,091)	(10,581)
Non-controlling interest (including NCI in the subsidiary's statement of financial position)	(38,751)	(46,746)	(28,223)	(41,943)	(46,794)	(35,182)
Equity attributable to the shareholders of the Parent Company	32,503	42,276	57,045	27,653	42,147	76,088
	Year ended 31 December 2019			Year ended 31 December 2018		
	NFI KD '000	NIC KD '000	IPI KD '000	NFI KD '000	NIC KD '000	IPI KD '000
Revenue	30,251	50,990	10,619	48,971	54,791	15,821
Profit for the year	8,920	4,256	4,438	23,798	3,773	10,428
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	3,928	(741)	70	(13,602)	(2,222)	2,051
Total comprehensive income for the year	12,848	3,515	4,508	10,196	1,551	12,479
- attributable to the shareholders of the Parent Company	6,160	1,853	3,047	6,507	869	8,830
- attributable to NCI	6,688	1,662	1,461	3,689	682	3,649
Dividend paid to NCI	(962)	(1,743)	(5,378)	-	(1,397)	-
Net cash flow (used in)/ from operating activities	(463)	8,188	14,344	6,098	4,697	32,525
Net cash flow from/(used in) investing activities	12,114	(768)	8,455	30,025	(3,305)	(26,338)
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(14,524)	(4,642)	(15,681)	(39,318)	(2,990)	(11,322)
Net cash (outflow)/inflow	(2,873)	(2,778)	7,118	(3,195)	(1,598)	(5,135)

7.3 Pearl Offshore Enterprises Limited is a special purpose vehicle (SPV) which was incorporated during the year 2011 and total assets with a carrying value of KD110,436 thousand (2018: KD113,092 thousand) and total liabilities of KD73,205 thousand (2018: KD73,085 thousand) of the Parent Company are held by the SPV.

7.4 Disposal of subsidiaries

As at 31 December 2018, one of the local subsidiaries of the Group ("the subsidiary") held 59.1% of equity interest in Noor Al Salhiya Real Estate Co. – KSC (Closed) ("NSREC"), an indirect subsidiary of the Group. During the period, the subsidiary disposed 32.7% of equity interest in NSREC to a related party resulting in loss of control over NSREC by virtue of losing majority of the voting rights but retained significant influence over NSREC. As a result of the above disposal transaction, the Group also lost its control over certain other indirect subsidiaries, Noor CM Holding Company – KSC (Closed) ("NCM"), Ikarus Real Estate Company - LLC ("Ikarus Real Estate"), Sidra Middle East Company WLL ("Sidra") and National Tamouh GTC Company - WLL ("Tamouh"). Consequent to loss of control over above indirect subsidiaries, the Group's ownership in NSREC has further diluted. Accordingly, the retained interest of 16.9% in NSREC and other indirect subsidiaries have been considered as investment in associates effective from 1 January 2019.

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7 Subsidiary companies (continued)

7.4 Disposal of subsidiaries (continued)

- a) At the date of disposal, the fair values of the consideration and the carrying amounts of net assets disposed of the above mentioned subsidiaries were as follows:

	KD '000
Fair value of the consideration:	
- Consideration received*	3,000
- Fair value of investment property retained as a part of sale consideration**	2,890
	5,890
Fair value of retained interest in indirect subsidiaries classified as investment in associates	5,619
Additional amounts due from associate companies recognised on deconsolidation of above indirect subsidiaries	7,812
	19,321
Less: total carrying value of the net assets disposed (refer below 7 b)	(20,841)
Loss on disposal of indirect subsidiaries	(1,520)

*Cash and cash equivalents amounting to KD684 thousand (excluding consideration received) was derecognised on disposal of subsidiaries (refer below 7 b).

**As a part of the disposal transaction, the subsidiary has agreed with one of the buyers, a related party of the Group, to retain one of its existing investment properties (owned by NSREC and subsidiaries) with a carrying value of KD2,890 thousand against the consideration due.

- b) Net assets of the disposed subsidiaries as at the date of disposal were as follows;

	KD '000
Assets	
Bank balances and cash	2,112
Short term deposits	1,572
Wakala and sukuk investments	153
Accounts receivables and other assets	2,589
Financial assets at FVOCI	166
Investment properties	29,627
Investment in associates	83
	36,302
Less: Liabilities and non-controlling interests	
Accounts payables and other liabilities	(477)
Borrowings	(8,720)
Non-controlling interests	(6,264)
Net assets as at the date of disposal attributable to the Group	20,841

8 Income from investments

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Dividend income:		
- From financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	9,413	8,345
- From financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	4,625	3,607
Realised gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	8,360	4,487
Unrealised gain on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	68,144	28,163
Interest income on debt securities classified under financial assets at FVTPL	84	81
	90,626	44,683

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9 Interest and other income

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Interest/profit on bank balances, short term deposits, wakala investments	1,095	1,055
Gain on acquisition of subsidiary (negative goodwill)	-	593
Service income, management and placement fees	49	340
Discount on settlement of borrowings (Note 26 b)	-	17,041
Net gain relating to liquidated/disposed foreign subsidiaries	-	1,732
Reversal of interest expenses on legal cases on settlement*	813	-
Reversal of impairment provision on wakala investment (Note 16)	200	-
Others	917	1,233
	3,074	21,994

* This was accrued during the year ended 31 December 2018 as finance cost based on a court decision received against one of the indirect subsidiaries of the Group. This amount has been reversed based on the out of court settlement agreement entered between the management of the subsidiary and the counter party to settle the dues without any payment for the above-mentioned interest accrued. Accordingly, the subsidiary has settled an amount of KD2,300 thousand during the year which was already included under accounts payables and other liabilities as at 31 December 2018.

10 Net gain/(loss) on financial assets and financial liabilities

Net gain/(loss) on financial assets and financial liabilities, analysed by category, is as follows:

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Financial assets at amortised cost:		
- Interest/profit on bank balances and short term deposits	1,081	1,034
- Profit from wakala and sukuk investments	14	21
- Income from future trade customers (on accounts receivable and other assets)	-	7
- impairment in value of receivable and other assets	(790)	(1,280)
- Reversal of impairment provision on wakala investment	200	-
Financial assets at FVTPL:		
- Realised gain	8,360	4,487
- Unrealised gain	68,144	28,163
- Dividend income	9,413	8,345
- Interest income on debt securities	84	81
Financial assets at FVOCI:		
- recognised directly in other comprehensive income (including NCI share)	(7,028)	(20,503)
- recognised directly in consolidated statement of profit or loss as dividend	4,625	3,607
	84,103	23,962
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:		
- Borrowings and bonds	(30,745)	(32,693)
- Discount on settlement of borrowings	-	17,041
	53,358	8,310
Net gain recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss	60,386	28,813
Net loss recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income	(7,028)	(20,503)
	53,358	8,310

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11 Finance costs

Finance costs mainly relate to due to banks, borrowings, bonds and lease creditors. All these financial liabilities are stated at amortized cost.

12 Taxation and other statutory contributions

(a) Foreign taxation*

Taxation of subsidiaries

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Current tax expense		
Current year charge	(676)	(1,201)
Deferred tax expenses		
Current year expenses	(27)	(49)
	(703)	(1,250)

* Foreign taxation includes an amount of KD642 thousand charged (2018: KD518 thousand charged) by certain foreign subsidiaries which is calculated based on the tax law adopted in United Kingdom.

(b) KFAS, Zakat and NLST

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Contributions to Kuwait Foundation for Advancement of Science (KFAS)	(343)	(310)
Provision for Zakat	(469)	(437)
Provision for National Labour Support Tax (NLST)	(1,640)	(516)
	(2,452)	(1,263)

13 Profit for the year

Profit for the year is stated after charging:

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Staff costs	36,139	35,091
Depreciation and amortisation	9,343	7,419

The number of staffs employed by the Parent Company at 31 December 2019 was 62 (2018: 61).

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14 Basic and diluted earnings per share attributable to the owners of the Parent Company

Basic and diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit for the year attributable to the owners of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year as follows:

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018
Profit for the year attributable to the owners of the Parent Company (KD '000)	46,353	19,841
Weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year (excluding treasury shares) – shares	1,391,309,848	1,391,309,848
Basic and diluted earnings per share	33.3 Fils	14.3 Fils

The weighted average number of shares outstanding during previous year has been restated to add the bonus shares issued during the current year as approved at the Annual General Meeting of the Parent Company's shareholders held on 2 May 2019 (Note 40).

The basic and diluted earnings per share reported during the previous year was 15 Fils.

15 Cash and cash equivalents

	Effective interest/profit rate %	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Bank balances and cash	0.25% - 0.62%	31,798	32,077
Short term deposits	1.35% - 3.5%	18,189	9,136
Due to banks (a)	4.5% - 6.0%	(23,969)	(23,009)
		26,018	18,204
Less: Blocked balances		(6)	(6)
Less: Time deposits maturing after three months		(2,414)	-
		(2,420)	(6)
Cash and cash equivalents for the purpose of consolidated statement of cash flows		23,598	18,198

a) Due to banks include bank overdraft facilities utilised by one of the subsidiaries of the Group which are secured against short term deposits of KD623 thousand as at 31 December 2019 (2018: KD610 thousand).

16 Wakala and sukuk investments

	Effective profit rate % (per annum)		31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
	2019	2018		
Wakala investments				
Placed with local Islamic banks	3%	3%	1,000	1,000
Sukuk investments			-	153
			1,000	1,153

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16 Wakala and sukuk investments (continued)

Wakala investments of KD14,324 thousand (31 December 2018: KD14,324 thousand) placed by a local subsidiary of the Group with a local Islamic investment company matured in the last quarter of 2008. The investee company defaulted on settlement of these balances on the maturity date. However, revised maturity dates were stipulated by the court. The investee company again defaulted the payment of 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th instalments due in June 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 respectively. Full provision was made for receivable in accordance with the Central Bank of Kuwait provision rules. During the year, the subsidiary has signed settlement agreement with Investee Company and as per this agreement 50% shares of a local unlisted company (acquired company) have been transferred to the subsidiary. The acquired company along with other entities are pursuing legal action in order to execute their joint rights as per previous court verdict. The management of the subsidiary is of the opinion that the financial impact of this transaction will be adjusted upon completion of the relevant legal proceedings.

During the previous years, one of the subsidiary is assumed the financial and legal obligations on wakala investments of KD1,683 thousand (in violation of the Commercial Companies Law of 1960) that the subsidiary had placed with the above investment company as part of the total wakala investments of KD14,324 thousand in a fiduciary capacity under a wakala agreement with certain related parties, despite having no such obligation under the wakala agreement. As noted above, the amount was fully provided in accordance with Central Bank of Kuwait rules. The subsidiary initiated legal proceedings against the parties to recover the amount including profits thereon. During the year, consequent to a court ruling decided in favor of the subsidiary, the related parties entered into a settlement agreement with the subsidiary to settle the above amount of KD1,683 thousand. The subsidiary received partial payment of KD200 thousand during the year as per the settlement agreements and remaining amount of KD800 thousand and KD683 thousand to be received in 2020 and 2021 respectively. This has resulted in a reversal of provision on wakala investment amounting to KD200 thousand in accordance with Central Bank of Kuwait credit provisioning rules.

17 Accounts receivable and other assets

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Financial assets		
Net trade receivables (Note 17 b)	28,109	29,857
Due from associates and related parties (Note 34)	9,877	6,866
Interest and other accrued income	846	1,168
Retentions and refundable deposits	1,236	1,026
Other financial assets	8,407	6,158
	48,475	45,075
Non-financial assets		
Prepayments and other assets	2,301	4,378
	2,301	4,378
	50,776	49,453

- a) Trade receivables are non-interest bearing and generally on 30 to 120 days terms.

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure expected credit losses on trade receivables. The loss rates are based on days past due for groupings of different debtor segments with similar loss patterns. The calculation also considers the past default experience of the debtor, current and forward-looking factors affecting the debtor's ability to settle the amount outstanding, general economic condition of the industry in which the debtor operates and an assessment of both current as well as the forecast direction of conditions at the reporting date.

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17 Accounts receivable and other assets (continued)

Trade receivables are written off (i.e. derecognised) when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery.

As at 31 December the aging analysis of trade receivables is as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Neither past due nor impaired	12,029	19,501
Past due but not impaired		
- 31 – 90 days	6,800	5,552
- more than 90 days	9,280	4,804
Net trade receivables	28,109	29,857

- b) During the year, the Group recognised a net impairment loss of KD790 thousand (2018: KD1,280 thousand) against accounts receivables and other assets.

18 Inventories

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Finished goods and work-in-progress	17,228	18,158
Raw materials and consumables	14,718	15,091
Spare parts and others	3,917	3,705
Goods in transit	1,586	1,051
	37,449	38,005
Provision for obsolete and slow moving inventories	(1,501)	(1,418)
	35,948	36,587

19 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Local quoted shares	188,827	147,920
Foreign quoted shares	51,363	66,573
Unquoted equity participations	26,414	21,642
Quoted debt securities (held in managed portfolios)	1,326	1,299
Local funds	2,557	2,508
Foreign managed portfolios and funds	139,927	124,771
	410,414	364,713

- a) Quoted shares and managed funds, held by the Group, with a fair value of KD163,476 thousand (2018: KD151,276 thousand) are secured against borrowings (Note 26).
- b) Foreign managed portfolios and funds include investments in private equity funds with a carrying value of KD137,655 thousand (2018: KD122,626 thousand). Information for these investments is limited to periodic financial reports provided by the investment managers. These investments are carried at net asset values reported by the investment managers. Due to the nature of these investments, the net asset values reported by the investment managers represent the best estimate of fair values available for these investments.

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20 Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Local quoted shares	12,675	10,220
Foreign quoted shares	34,958	35,634
Local unquoted equity participations	25,321	23,651
Foreign unquoted equity participations	107,148	117,403
Foreign managed portfolios and funds	23,830	29,577
	203,932	216,485

- a) These investments are held in equity instruments for medium - to long-term strategic objectives. Accordingly, the management has chosen to identify these investments in equity instruments as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income where it is believed that the recognition of short-term fluctuations in the fair value of these financial assets in the consolidated statement of profit or loss will not be consistent with the Group's strategy to hold such investments for long-term purposes and realizing their performance potential in the long term.
- b) Quoted shares with a fair value of KD32,473 thousand (2018: KD32,651 thousand) and unquoted shares with a fair value of KD96 thousand (2018: KD168 thousand) are secured against bank borrowings (Note 26).
- c) During the year 2016, the Group signed a conditional agreement with a foreign party to sell 10.45% shareholding in K-Electric Limited, one of the Pakistani listed companies involved in the generation, transmission and distribution of electricity. The above shares are held through certain subsidiaries of the Group and have been recorded under financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income. However, the completion of the sale contemplated in the conditional agreement is further extended during the current period until the receipt of applicable regulatory approvals and satisfaction of other conditions precedent specified therein and therefore profit or loss expected from the above sale has not yet been determined.

21 Investment properties

The movement in investment properties is as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Fair value as at 1 January	76,857	66,121
Additions	11,018	10,711
De-recognition due to disposal of indirect subsidiaries (Note 7 b)	(26,737)	-
Changes in fair value	(729)	34
Foreign currency translation	36	(9)
	60,445	76,857

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21 Investment properties (continued)

Investment properties comprise of lands and buildings in the following countries:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Kuwait	49,117	57,666
Saudi	7,742	6,579
Jordan	504	504
UAE	2,211	11,264
London	871	844
Total	60,445	76,857

- a) Investment properties are stated at fair value, which has been determined based on valuations performed by independent valuers (Note 35.4 for details).
- b) Investments properties amounting to KD42,479 thousand (2018: KD50,482 thousand) are secured against borrowings (Note 26).

22 Investment in associates

Details of the Group's material associates at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	Country of registration and principal place of business	Nature of business	Percentage ownership	
			31 Dec. 2019	31 Dec. 2018
Meezan Bank Ltd – (Quoted)	Pakistan	Islamic banking	35	49
Privatization Holding Company – KPSC (Quoted)	Kuwait	Financial services	36	36
Kuwait Cement Company – KPSC (Quoted)	Kuwait	Industrial	27	26
Mabane Company - KPSC - (Quoted) (22.3)	Kuwait	Real estate	18	18
			31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Balance at 1 January (previously reported)			317,462	336,045
Adjustments arising from adoption of IFRS 9 on 1 January 2018			-	(1,153)
Balance as at 1 January 2018 – restated			317,462	334,892
Additions during the year			2,997	2,107
Share of results			15,767	15,182
Disposal/capital reduction (Note 22.5)			(5,217)	(12,993)
Share of other comprehensive income/(loss)			9,971	(346)
Dividend distribution			(9,619)	(9,984)
Foreign currency translation adjustment			(3,804)	(11,485)
Impairment in value (Note 22.4)			(7,748)	-
Net additions due to deconsolidation of indirect subsidiaries (Note 7.4 a)			5,536	-
Other adjustments			(564)	89
Balance at the end of the year			324,781	317,462

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22 Investment in associates (continued)

- 22.1 All of the above named associates are accounted for using the equity method in these consolidated financial statements.
- 22.2 A major portion of an associate with a carrying value of KD152,921 thousand (2018: KD145,977 thousand) is kept in a custody portfolio account with specialised institution (Note 26 d).
- 22.3 Although the Group owns 18% of the investee, the Group exercises significant influence over the associate by way of board representation.
- 22.4 Investment in associates includes quoted associates with a carrying value of KD305,416 thousand (2018: KD299,573 thousand) having quoted market value of KD314,017 thousand at 31 December 2019 (2018: KD280,921 thousand) based on published quotes. In accordance with IAS 36 “Impairment of Assets” the Group’s recoverable amount of two associates (which represent the higher of fair value less costs to sell, and value in use) was below their carrying value and accordingly an impairment of KD KD7,270 thousand (31 December 2018: Nil) was recognised against these investments during the year ended 31 December 2019.
- 22.5 During the year, one of the local subsidiaries of the Group partially disposed (3% out of its holding of 38% at 31 December 2018) one of its foreign associates (Meezan Bank Ltd.) for a net consideration of KD6,374 thousand resulting in a net gain of KD1,597 thousand. At 31 December 2019 the Group’s ownership in this associate reduced to 35%.

During the fourth quarter of 2019, the same local subsidiary disposed of its remaining 49.5% stake in Noor CM Holding Company - KSC to a related party for a consideration of KD 867 thousand resulting in a net gain of KD81 thousand. The consideration consists of in kind consideration of KD835 thousand (investment property amounting to KD667 thousand and investments at FVOCI amounting to KD168 thousand) and cash consideration of KD32 thousand.

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22 Investment in associates (continued)

22.6 Summarised financial information of material associates

Summarised financial information in respect of each of the Group's material associates named above, are set out below. The summarised financial information below represents the amounts presented in the financial statements of the associates (and not the Groups share of those amounts) adjusted for differences in accounting policies between the Group and the associate.

	Mabane Company – KPSC*		Kuwait Cement Company – KPSC		Meezan Bank Ltd.*		Privatization Holding Company – KPSC	
	2019 KD '000	2018 KD '000	2019 KD '000	2018 KD '000	2019 KD '000	2018 KD '000	2019 KD '000	2018 KD '000
As at 31 December								
Total assets	1,336,763	1,271,000	315,980	301,912	2,203,582	2,041,717	128,337	133,540
Total liabilities	(418,195)	(377,361)	(106,653)	(108,754)	(2,080,732)	(1,947,242)	(40,934)	(46,855)
Non-controlling interests	(66,023)	(61,325)	(164)	(145)	(2,289)	(2,182)	(908)	(907)
Equity attributable to the owners of the associate	852,545	832,314	209,163	193,013	120,561	92,293	86,495	85,778
For the year ended 31 December								
Revenue	28,776	31,044	81,819	96,259	184,485	105,428	10,395	8,108
Profit/(loss) for the year attributable to shareholders	29,497	23,332	4,017	7,943	30,496	19,420	(195)	(5,351)
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the year	(86)	(1,249)	22,532	2,760	18,666	(1,883)	(495)	(427)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	29,411	22,083	26,549	10,703	49,162	17,537	(690)	(5,778)
Dividends received from the associate during the year	2,113	1,669	2,886	3,797	3,883	2,913	-	1,190
As at 31 December								
Net assets of the associate attributable to the shareholders of the associate	852,545	832,314	209,163	193,013	120,561	92,293	86,495	85,778
Proportion of the Group's ownership interest	17.90%	17.88%	27.16%	26.10%	35.25%	38.18%	35.82%	35.82%
Interest in the associate	152,606	148,818	56,809	50,376	42,496	35,240	30,983	30,726
Goodwill	10,496	10,496	14,893	14,893	4,226	5,229	-	-
Impairment in value	-	-	(4,706)	-	-	-	(2,564)	-
Other adjustments	(467)	86	3,828	5,830	-	-	(4,564)	(3,663)
Carrying value of the investment	162,635	159,400	70,824	71,099	46,722	40,469	23,855	27,063
Fair value of the Group's interests in the quoted associates which are based on the quoted market prices available on the respective Stock Exchanges, which are Level 1 Inputs in terms of IFRS 13.	168,707	106,574	48,997	72,537	84,389	89,421	10,817	11,407

*Has been adjusted for the differences in accounting policies between Group and the associate.

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22 Investment in associates (continued)

22.6 Summarised financial information of material associates (continued)

Aggregate information of associates that are not individually material to the Group;

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Group share of results for the year	(1,284)	3,439
Group share of other comprehensive (loss)/income	(2,536)	29
Group share of total comprehensive (loss)/income	(3,820)	3,468
Aggregate carrying value of the Group interest in associates	20,745	19,431
Aggregate Impairment in value of associates during the year	(478)	-
Aggregate dividend received from the associates during the year	737	415

22.7 Group's share of associates' contingent liabilities:

- a) The Group's share of associates' contingent liabilities amounted to KD129,566 thousand (2018: KD138,695 thousand). This includes the Group's share of contingent liabilities related to a foreign bank (Meezan Bank Ltd.) which amounted to KD94,689 thousand (2018: KD102,696 thousand).
- b) The local income tax authority in Pakistan has raised a demand requesting Mezzan Bank Limited, an associate of one of the subsidiaries of the Group, to pay additional tax amounting to KD3.5 million (Subsidiary's share KD1.2 million) for prior years including 2018. The associate has obtained a stay order against this demand and has also filed appeals with the relevant Appellate Authorities. Subsidiary's management, in consultation with tax advisors, is confident that the decision in respect of this matter would be in subsidiary's favour and, accordingly, no provision is made in these consolidated financial statements with respect thereto.

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23 Property, plant and equipment

Year ended 31 December 2019

	Land KD '000	Freehold properties KD '000	Leasehold properties KD '000	Properties on leasehold land KD '000	Plant and machineries KD '000	Motor vehicles KD '000	Furniture and equipment KD '000	Leased plant, machinery and vehicles KD '000	Properties under construction KD '000	Total KD '000
Cost or valuation										
At 1 January 2019	3,653	21,901	608	35,512	109,881	15,474	14,359	2,637	7,745	211,770
Foreign exchange and other adjustments	(1)	484	18	(345)	3,465	134	(2,543)	235	(9)	1,438
Additions/transfer	-	603	3	433	4,166	264	1,338	-	3,271	10,078
Disposals	-	-	(353)	-	(44)	(15)	(73)	(17)	-	(502)
At 31 December 2019	3,652	22,988	276	35,600	117,468	15,857	13,081	2,855	11,007	222,784
Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses										
At 1 January 2019	-	6,619	76	26,369	64,571	11,920	11,390	1,949	-	122,894
Foreign exchange and other adjustments	-	(287)	13	227	3,187	115	(2,234)	119	-	1,140
Charge for the year	-	857	129	639	4,141	752	566	80	-	7,164
Impairment	-	-	-	530	-	-	-	-	-	530
Relating to disposals	-	-	-	-	(33)	(15)	(73)	-	-	(121)
At 31 December 2019	-	7,189	218	27,765	71,866	12,772	9,649	2,148	-	131,607
Net book value										
At 31 December 2019	3,652	15,799	58	7,835	45,602	3,085	3,432	707	11,007	91,177

Properties on lease hold land are on lands which have been leased from the government of Kuwait through renewable lease contracts.

Property under construction mainly represents the cost incurred, on the expansion of one of the subsidiaries existing factories and the construction of a manufacturing lines by a subsidiary. During the prior years, portions of the manufacturing lines which were completed and ready for intended use were capitalised in the appropriate categories. The costs relating to the remaining manufacturing lines and facilities will be transferred to the appropriate asset categories when the assets are ready for their intended use.

Property plant and equipment with a carrying value of KD8,652 thousand (2018: KD9,100 thousand) are secured against borrowings (Note 26).

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23 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2018

Cost or valuation	Land KD '000	Freehold properties KD '000	Leasehold properties KD '000	Properties on leasehold land KD '000	Plant and machineries KD '000	Motor vehicles KD '000	Furniture and equipment KD '000	Leased plant, machinery and vehicles KD '000	Properties under construction KD '000	Total KD '000
At 1 January 2018	1,463	20,214	618	35,325	95,262	13,066	13,428	2,780	5,074	187,230
Foreign exchange adjustments	7	(67)	(8)	11	(696)	(7)	9	(143)	1	(893)
Additions/transfer	-	204	9	176	7,096	2,388	210	-	2,662	12,745
On acquisition of an indirect subsidiary	2,183	1,460	-	-	10,346	43	748	-	153	14,933
Reclassification	-	90	-	-	16	-	39	-	(145)	-
Disposals	-	-	(11)	-	(2,143)	(16)	(75)	-	-	(2,245)
At 31 December 2018	3,653	21,901	608	35,512	109,881	15,474	14,359	2,637	7,745	211,770
Accumulated depreciation										
At 1 January 2018	-	5,428	73	25,629	60,313	11,243	10,298	1,932	-	114,916
Foreign exchange adjustments	-	(72)	(2)	3	(606)	(5)	(15)	(104)	-	(801)
Charge for the year	-	829	14	737	3,845	674	971	121	-	7,191
On acquisition of an indirect subsidiary	-	434	-	-	3,099	24	210	-	-	3,767
Relating to disposals	-	-	(9)	-	(2,080)	(16)	(74)	-	-	(2,179)
At 31 December 2018	-	6,619	76	26,369	64,571	11,920	11,390	1,949	-	122,894
Net book value										
At 31 December 2018	3,653	15,282	532	9,143	45,310	3,554	2,969	688	7,745	88,876

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24 Goodwill and other intangible assets

24.1 Goodwill

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Balance at 1 January	8,562	11,364
Additions	885	-
Impairment in value of goodwill	-	(2,468)
Foreign exchange adjustment	(29)	(334)
	9,418	8,562

Goodwill represents the excess of cost of acquisition over the Group's interest in the fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the acquired subsidiaries. Goodwill of KD2,029 thousand (2018: KD2,029 thousand) and KD7,389 thousand (2018: KD6,533 thousand) has been allocated to the IT service business and specialist engineering unit of the Group, respectively as these are the cash generating unit (CGU) which is expected to benefit from the synergies of the business combination. It is also the lowest level at which goodwill is monitored for impairment purposes.

Impairment testing

The Group determines whether goodwill is impaired at least on an annual basis. This requires an estimation of the recoverable amount of the CGUs to which these items are allocated. The recoverable amount is determined based on higher of value-in-use calculations or fair value less cost to sell.

Management used the following approach to determine values to be assigned to the following key assumptions in the value in use calculations:

<i>Key assumption</i>	<i>Basis used to determine value to be assigned to key assumption</i>
Growth rates	Anticipated average growth rate of 0% to 4% (2018: 0% to 4%) per annum. Value assigned reflects past experience and changes in economic environment. Cash flows beyond the five-year period have been extrapolated using a growth rate of 0% to 4% (2018: 0% to 4%). This growth rate does not exceed the long term average growth rate of the market in which the CGU operates.
Discount rates	Discount rates of 6.4% to 14% (2018: 6.4% to 17.5%). Discount rates used are pre-tax and reflect specific risks relating to the relevant CGU.

The Group has performed a sensitivity analysis by varying these input factors by a reasonably possible margin and assessing whether the change in input factors result in any of the goodwill allocated to appropriate cash generating units being impaired. During the prior year, the Group recognised an impairment of KD2,468 thousand against goodwill which has been allocated to the specialist engineering unit of the Group. Based on the above analysis, there are no indications that goodwill included in any of the cash generating units is further impaired.

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24 Goodwill and other intangible assets (continued)

24.2 Intangible assets – Indefeasible right of use (IRU)

This represents an intangible asset in the form of an indefeasible right of use (IRU) to a telecommunication asset arising from a subsidiary acquired during 2014 and the movement is as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Cost		
At the beginning of the year	3,268	3,268
Balance at the end of the year	3,268	3,268
Accumulated amortization and impairment		
At the beginning of the year	(1,905)	(511)
Impairment in value of intangible assets*	(945)	(1,166)
Charge for the year	(284)	(228)
At the end of the year	(3,134)	(1,905)
Net book value at the end of the year	134	1,363
Total goodwill and intangible assets	9,552	9,925

*During the year, the management has performed an impairment assessment of the intangible assets and as a result recognised an impairment of KD945 thousand (2018: KD1,166) based on the recoverable value of the intangible assets based on fair value approach.

25 Accounts payable and other liabilities

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Financial liabilities		
Trade payables	18,653	19,409
Accrued interest	2,760	2,206
Dividend payable	1,809	1,300
Leasing liabilities (Note 4.1)	6,303	72
Payable on acquisition of subsidiary	-	1,517
Due to associates and related parties (Note 34)	2,264	2,114
Provision for cost of gas usage for previous years (a)	2,700	2,700
Provision for taxation (b)	12,715	11,274
Staff payables	2,577	2,831
Amounts due to non-controlling interests on capital reduction of a subsidiary	957	1,088
Other accruals	5,889	5,331
Other liabilities	10,521	7,260
	67,148	57,102
Non-financial liabilities		
Other creditors	2,042	1,575
	2,042	1,575
	69,190	58,677

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25 Accounts payable and other liabilities (continued)

- a This represents provision for cost of gas usage by one of the local subsidiaries of the Group amounting to KD2,700 thousand. During the year 2016, above subsidiary received a letter from a government owned entity which supplies gas to one of the factories of the subsidiary demanding payment for usage of gas for 2004 till 2011. The subsidiary rejected this claim on several grounds and the supplier filed a legal case against the subsidiary claiming its right to recover the amount. The court in its first hearing transferred the case to the Expert's department. Subsequently, the court issued a ruling ordering the subsidiary to pay an amount of USD9,300 thousand to the plaintiff. Accordingly, the subsidiary recorded a provision against this liability during the year ended 31 December 2016. Further, the subsidiary appealed the ruling and the judgment is still pending.
- b This includes an amount of KD1,578 thousand potential tax liability of one of the local subsidiaries of the Group on dividend income received in previous years from foreign entities located in a GCC country (at the rate of 5%). No tax claims or assessments have been made by any regulatory authority as of date. However, based on advice received from consultants and other information available to the subsidiary's management, on a conservative basis, the Subsidiary provided for the above amount in a previous year.

26 Borrowings and bonds

	Effective Interest rate	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Borrowings			
Short term			
Short term conventional loans	2.5% - 5.0%	150,739	161,103
Short term Islamic financing arrangements	5.0% - 6.0%	14,128	7,739
		164,867	168,842
Long term			
Long term conventional loans	1.4% - 5.9%		
- Current portion		123,218	89,804
- Due after more than one year		201,996	214,402
Long term Islamic financing arrangements	4.0% - 6.0%		
- Current portion		33,144	6,490
- Due after more than one year		80,378	106,579
		438,736	417,275
Total borrowings		603,603	586,117
Bonds (Note 26 f)		25,000	25,000
Total borrowings and bonds		628,603	611,117

- a As of 31 December 2019, total borrowings include an amount of KD124,015 thousand and KD16,283 thousand (2018: KD129,646 thousand and KD16,684 thousand) denominated in US Dollars and other foreign currencies respectively.

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26 Borrowings and bonds (continued)

- b During the prior year, one of the local subsidiaries of the Group has completed restructuring of its loans amounting to KD23,129 thousand out of total outstanding loans amounting to KD89,688 thousand and the subsidiary has settled remaining loans amounting to KD65,559 thousand due to two of its lenders against a payment of KD49,519 thousand with a 25.6% discount. The gain amounting to KD17,041 thousand which resulted from the waiver of the principal has been recognized as other income during the previous year.

During the year, the local subsidiary has paid an amount of KD1,670 thousand to the bankers. These loans are fully secured by investments at fair value through profit or loss (Note 19), investments at fair value through other comprehensive income (Note 20) and investment properties (Note 21) and against shares of two unlisted subsidiaries of the local subsidiary.

- c Islamic financing arrangement amounting to KD3,202 thousand (2018: KD4,251 thousand) are secured against property, plant and equipment with a book value of KD5,515 thousand (2018: KD5,519 thousand). Also, certain conventional loans of KD1,209 thousand (2018: KD2,780 thousand) are secured against property, plant and equipment with a book value of KD3,137 thousand (2018: KD3,581 thousand).
- d During the prior year, the Parent Company settled a Murabaha facility amounting to KD79,646 thousand at maturity, from the proceeds obtained through a new Murabaha facility of KD71,023 thousand and the remaining amount of KD8,623 thousand was settled in cash. The above new Murabaha facility is included under long term Islamic financing as of the reporting date. Under the terms of the new facility agreement, shares of one of the listed associates having a carrying value of KD152,921 thousand (2018: KD145,977 thousand) are kept in a custody portfolio account with specialised institutions (Note 22.2).
- e Borrowings include unsecured long term financing facilities obtained by one of the foreign indirect subsidiaries of the Group from a Saudi Islamic bank and a financial institution and the amount due within one year from the facilities amounted to KD623 thousand. The unutilised facility balances as of 31 December 2019 amounted to KD6,478 thousand. During the year, the above borrowings have been secured by foreign quoted investments with a fair value of KD5,328 thousand (2018: KD5,915 thousand).

Bonds

- f During the year 2016, the Parent Company issued floating rate bonds of KD25,000 thousand at face value maturing on 20 December 2021. The bonds benefit from certain uncollateralized financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income and investment in subsidiary through one of the local subsidiaries of the Group to ensure repayment.

27 Provisions

	31 Dec. 2019 KD'000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Pension liability (Note 32)	881	1,458
Provision for staff indemnity	12,749	11,664
Provision for land-fill expenses	483	451
	14,113	13,573

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28 Share capital and share premium

- a) As of 31 December 2019, authorized issued and fully paid share capital in cash of the Parent Company comprised of 1,427,845,728 shares of 100 Fils each (31 December 2018: 1,359,853,075 shares).
- b) Share premium is not available for distribution.

29 Treasury shares

	31 Dec. 2019	31 Dec. 2018
Number of shares	36,535,880	34,796,079
Percentage of issued shares	2.56%	2.56%
Market value (KD '000)	8,805	5,498
Cost (KD'000)	30,375	30,375

Reserves of the Parent Company equivalent to the cost of the treasury shares have been earmarked as non-distributable.

As at 31 December 2019, an associate company of the Group held equivalent to 9.8% (2018: 9.8%) of the Parent Company's shares issued.

30 Cumulative changes in fair value and other components of equity

a) Cumulative changes in fair value

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Balance at 1 January (previously reported)	21,679	103,959
Adjustments arising on adoption of IFRS 9 on 1 January 2018	-	(64,220)
Balance at 1 January (restated)	21,679	39,739
<i>Other comprehensive income:</i>		
Share of other comprehensive income/(loss) of associates		
- Changes in fair value	6,929	(163)
Net changes in fair value of investments in equity instruments designated at FVOCI	(7,405)	(18,912)
Other comprehensive loss for the year	(476)	(19,075)
Realised (gain)/loss on equity investments at FVOCI	(265)	1,015
Balance at 31 December	20,938	21,679

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30 Cumulative changes in fair value and other components of equity (continued)

b) Other components of equity

	Statutory reserve KD '000	General reserve KD '000	Gain on Sale of treasury shares reserve KD '000	Foreign currency translation reserve KD '000	Total KD '000
Balances as at 31 December 2018	15,011	1,443	18,452	(11,079)	23,827
Transactions with owners:					
Currency translation differences	-	-	-	(2,242)	(2,242)
Exchange differences transferred to consolidated statement of profit or loss on partial disposal of an associate	-	-	-	797	797
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	(1,445)	(1,445)
Reserve transfers	4,939	4,939	-	-	9,878
Balances as at 31 December 2019	19,950	6,382	18,452	(12,524)	32,260
Balances at 31 December 2017	12,853	1,694	18,452	(2,542)	30,457
Transactions with owners:					
Dividend paid	-	(251)	-	-	(251)
Other comprehensive income:					
Currency translation differences	-	-	-	(10,862)	(10,862)
Exchange differences transferred to consolidated statement of profit or loss on partial disposal of an associate	-	-	-	2,325	2,325
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	(8,537)	(8,537)
Reserve transfers	2,158	-	-	-	2,158
Balances at 31 December 2018	15,011	1,443	18,452	(11,079)	23,827

Statutory reserve

In accordance with the Companies Law and the Parent Company's Articles of Association, 10% of the profit for the year before KFAS, NLST, Zakat and directors' remuneration but after Non-controlling interests is to be transferred to statutory reserve. The Parent Company may resolve to discontinue such annual transfer when the reserve totals 50% of the paid up share capital. Distribution of the statutory reserve is limited to the amount required to enable the payment of a dividend of 5% of paid-up share capital to be made in years when retained earnings are not sufficient for the distribution of a dividend of that amount. No transfer is required in a year in which the Group has incurred a loss or where accumulated losses exist. During the year, the Group has transferred an amount of KD4,939 thousand (2018: KD2,158 thousand) to statutory reserve.

General reserve

In accordance with the Parent Company's Articles of Association, a certain percentage of the profit for the year before KFAS, NLST, Zakat and directors' remuneration but after Non-controlling interests is to be transferred to the general reserve at the discretion of the Board of Directors which is to be approved at the General Assembly. No transfer is required in a year in which the Group has incurred a loss or where accumulated losses exist. During the year, the Board of Directors of the Parent Company proposed to transfer an amount of KD4,939 thousand (2018: Nil) to general reserve and this is subject to approval at the General Assembly.

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31 Non-controlling interests

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Balance at 1 January (previously reported)	143,662	130,127
Adjustments arising on adoption of IFRS 9 on 1 January 2018	-	(481)
Balance at 1 January (restated)	143,662	129,646
Amounts due to non-controlling interests on capital reduction of a subsidiary*	-	(1,069)
Non-controlling interests arising on acquisition of subsidiaries**	-	6,568
Decrease in non-controlling interest on disposal of indirect subsidiaries***	(6,264)	-
Dividend paid to non-controlling interests by the subsidiaries	(8,195)	(1,655)
Adjustments arising on capital reduction of a subsidiary***	(3,041)	-
Other net changes in non-controlling interests	(4,822)	(228)
Transactions with non-controlling interests	(22,322)	3,616
Profit for the year	7,005	15,626
<i>Other comprehensive income :</i>		
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign operations	(1,848)	(5,641)
Exchange differences transferred to consolidated statement of profit or loss on partial disposal of an associate	750	2,189
Share of other comprehensive income/(loss) of associates	3,042	(183)
Net changes in fair value of investments in equity instruments designated at FVOCI	377	(1,591)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	2,321	(5,226)
Total comprehensive income for the year	9,326	10,400
Balance at 31 December	130,666	143,662

* On 18 December 2017, the shareholders of one of the indirect subsidiaries of the Group, decided to decrease its share capital from KD33,500 thousand to KD14,137 thousand (by KD19,363 thousand) by setting off of accumulated losses of KD17,113 thousand and distributing to shareholders an amount of KD2,250 thousand out of which KD1,069 thousand pertains to non-controlling interests and these transactions have been adjusted in the Group's financials during the previous year.

** During the prior year, certain subsidiaries of the Group have acquired certain local and foreign subsidiaries and non-controlling interests arising on acquisition of those subsidiaries amounted to KD6,568 thousand. Further, acquisition of one of those subsidiaries resulted in a bargain purchase surplus (negative goodwill) of KD593 thousand which has been included under "interest and other income" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss of the previous year.

***During the year, as a result of loss in control over certain indirect subsidiaries, the Group de-recognised non-controlling interests amounting to KD6,264 thousand (Note: 7.4).

Further during the year, the shareholders of one of the local subsidiaries of the Group, decided to decrease its share capital by KD11,020 thousand out of which KD3,041 thousand pertains to non-controlling interests during the period.

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32 Defined benefit pensions schemes

The Group has defined benefit pension schemes for the employees and former employees of certain subsidiaries in the United Kingdom. The Schemes provide benefits based on final salary and length of service on retirement. The Schemes are subject to the Statutory Funding Objective under the United Kingdom Pensions Act 2004. A valuation of the schemes is carried out at least once every three years to determine whether the Statutory Funding Objective is met. As part of the process the Group must agree with the Trustees of the Schemes the contributions to be paid to address any shortfall against the Statutory Funding Objective.

The Schemes are managed by a professional trustee appointed by the Group. The Trustee has responsibility for obtaining valuation of the fund, administering benefit payments and investing the Schemes' assets. The Trustee delegates some of these functions to their professional advisers where appropriate.

The Schemes expose the Group to a number of risks:

- Investment risk: The Scheme holds investments in asset classes, such as equities, which have volatile market values and while these assets are expected to provide the real returns over the long-term the short term volatility can cause additional funding to be required if deficit emerges.
- Interest rate risk: The Schemes' liabilities are assessed using market yields on high quality corporate bonds to discount the liabilities. As the Schemes hold assets such as equities the value of the assets and liabilities may not move in the same way.
- Inflation risk: A significant proportion of the benefits under the Schemes are linked to inflation. Although the Schemes' assets are expected to provide a good hedge against inflation over the long term, movements over the short-term could lead to deficits emerging.
- Mortality risk: In the event that members live longer than assumed a deficit will emerge in the Schemes.
- For certain sections of the Schemes, members are assumed to commute 20% of their pension for cash at retirement. If on average less pension is taken this would lead to a deficit emerging.
- The Trustee holds insurance policies for some members of the Schemes. There is a very small risk that the insurers may default on their policies which would cause additional funding to be required.

Effect of the Schemes on the Group's future cash flows

The Group is required to agree Schedules of Contributions with the Trustee of the Schemes following the valuation which must be carried out at least once every three years. In the event the valuation reveals a larger deficit than expected the Group may be required to increase contributions above those set out in the existing Schedules of Contributions. Conversely if the position is better than expected contributions may be reduced.

The Group expects to contribute KD605 thousand to its defined benefit plan in 2020 which has been agreed with the Pension Trustee in line with actuarial advice and aims to eliminate the deficit within an acceptable period of time.

The following disclosures cover all the schemes on an aggregated basis. The schemes are closed to new members and do not accrue further benefits. Actuarial calculations have been made in order to determine pension liabilities and pension expenses in connection with the Group's defined benefit pension schemes.

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32 Defined benefit pensions schemes (continued)

The following assumptions have been used in calculating the liabilities and expenses incurred:

	31 Dec. 2019	31 Dec. 2018
Discount rate at 31 December	1.95%	3.00%
Inflation assumption (RPI)	2.90%	3.45%
Revaluation in deferment (CPI)	2.10%	2.45%
Expected return on plan assets	1.95%	3.00%
Future salary increases	0.00%	0.00%
Future pension increases	2.80%	3.30%
Mortality after retirement	2019: SAPS (S2NA) (2018: SAPS (S2NA)) tables with medium cohort year of birth projections and minimum of 1.25% (2018: 1.25%) per annum improvement.	

Under the mortality tables adopted, the expected age at death for a member at age 65 is as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019	31 Dec. 2018
Male currently aged 45	88.7	89.6
Female currently aged 45	90.8	90.7
Male currently aged 65	87.3	87.2
Female currently aged 65	89.3	89.2

The average of the weighted average duration of the liabilities of each of the Schemes is 16 years (2018: 18 years).

Consolidated statement of profit or loss

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Interest cost	(556)	(602)
Expected return on assets	521	526
Past service cost	-	(530)
Net annual charge included in general, administrative and other expenses	(35)	(606)

A reconciliation of the movement in the liability for defined benefit pension scheme is as follows:

Consolidated statement of financial position

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Brought forward liability	1,458	3,328
Consolidated statement of profit or loss (net)	35	606
Contributions	(597)	(1,193)
Actuarial gain	(26)	(1,202)
Foreign exchange adjustments	11	(81)
Carried forward liability	881	1,458

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32 Defined benefit pensions schemes (continued)

Reconciliation of consolidated statement of financial position liability

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Present value of obligations	21,505	18,968
Fair value of plan assets	(20,624)	(17,510)
Net plan deficit	881	1,458
Net liability recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position	881	1,458

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Opening defined benefit obligation	18,968	22,095
Interest cost	556	602
Actuarial losses/(gains)	2,561	(1,465)
Past service cost	-	530
Experience loss	-	(792)
Benefits and expenses paid	(850)	(1,024)
Foreign exchange adjustment	270	(978)
Closing defined benefit obligation	21,505	18,968

Changes in the fair value of the plan assets

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Opening fair value of plan assets	17,510	18,767
Expected return on assets	521	526
Actuarial (losses)/gains	2,587	(1,055)
Contributions by employer	597	1,193
Benefits and expenses paid	(850)	(1,024)
Foreign exchange adjustment	259	(897)
Closing fair value of plan assets	20,624	17,510

The fair value of the plan assets, by category is as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Plan assets:		
Equities	9,487	8,755
Bonds	8,249	6,654
Other assets	2,888	2,101
	20,624	17,510

The actual return on the Schemes' assets net of expenses over the period was 3.0% (2018: 2.8%).

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32 Defined benefit pensions schemes (continued)

Sensitivity of the value placed on liabilities

The defined benefit obligation would be affected by changes in the actuarial assumptions. The table below shows the potential impact of relatively small changes in the key assumptions:

Adjustment to assumptions	Approximate effect on liabilities KD '000
<i>Discount rate</i>	
Plus 0.5%	(1,565)
Minus 0.5%	1,762
<i>Inflation</i>	
Plus 0.25%	364
Minus 0.25%	(304)
<i>Life expectancy</i>	
Plus 1 year	846
Minus 1 year	(839)

Note the above sensitivities are approximate and only show the likely effect of an assumption being adjusted whilst all other assumptions remain the same.

33 Segmental analysis

The Group activities are concentrated in four main segments: investment, building material, specialist engineering and hotel and IT operations. The segments' results are reported to the higher management in the Group. In addition, the segments results, assets and liabilities are reported based on the geographic locations which the Group operates in.

Geographical segments

The geographical analysis is as follows;

	Assets		Sales	
	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Kuwait	686,706	640,716	59,194	64,404
Outside Kuwait	557,838	562,008	73,043	61,002
	1,244,544	1,202,724	132,237	125,406

33 Segmental analysis (Continued)

	Investment	Building materials	Specialist engineering and chemical	Hotel and IT services	Total
	<u>31 Dec. 2019</u> KD '000	<u>31 Dec.</u> <u>2019</u> KD '000	<u>31 Dec.</u> <u>2019</u> KD '000	<u>31 Dec.</u> <u>2018</u> KD '000	<u>31 Dec.</u> <u>2018</u> KD '000
Segment revenue	111,271	88,853	52,923	48,368	14,373
Less:					
Loss on disposal of indirect subsidiaries					
Income from investments					1,520
Changes in fair value of investment properties					(90,626)
Share of result of associates					729
Profit on disposal/partial disposal of associates					(15,767)
Rental income					(34)
Interest and other income					(15,182)
Sales, per consolidated statement of profit or loss					(1,576)
					(2,477)
					(3,074)
					(21,994)
					132,237
					125,406
Segment profit/(loss)	86,553	70,445	2,579	3,703	(1,105)
Less:					
Finance costs					
Other unallocated loss					
Profit before foreign taxation					200
Segment assets	1,049,826	1,018,300	77,109	71,405	14,758
Segment liabilities	(34,179)	(23,712)	(25,514)	(23,091)	(17,414)
Segment net assets	1,015,647	994,588	51,595	48,314	80,847
Borrowings, bonds and due to banks					6,725
Total equity, per consolidated statement of financial position					1,161,241
					1,130,474
					(652,572)
					(634,126)
					508,669
					496,348

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33 Segmental analysis (Continued)

Property, plant and equipment of the Group are primarily utilised by the building materials segment, hotel & IT services segment and the specialist engineering segment. The additions and depreciation relating to property, plant and equipment along with impairment in values by each segment, in which the assets are used, are as follows:

	Investment KD '000	Building materials KD '000	Specialist engineering and chemical KD '000	Hotel and IT services KD '000	Total KD '000
At 31 December 2019					
Additions to property, plant and equipment	441	3,338	6,299	-	10,078
Depreciation and impairment	875	4,412	4,054	248	9,589
Impairment in value of goodwill and other intangible assets	-	-	-	945	945
At 31 December 2018					
Additions to property, plant and equipment	10	5,523	7,121	91	12,745
Depreciation	316	3,023	3,462	390	7,191
Impairment in value of available for sale investments	-	-	2,468	1,166	3,634

34 Related party transactions

Related parties represent associates, directors and key management personnel of the Group, and other related parties such as major shareholders and companies in which directors and key management personnel of the Group are principal owners or over which they are able to exercise significant influence or joint control. Pricing policies and terms of these transactions are approved by the Group's management.

Details of significant related party transactions and balances are as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Balances included in the consolidated statement of financial position:		
Due from related parties (included in accounts receivable and other assets)		
- Due from associate companies	7,817	921
- Due from key managements personal	70	70
- Due from other related parties	1,990	5,875
Due to related parties (included accounts payable and other liabilities)		
- Due to associates	416	419
- Due to other related parties	1,848	1,695
Transactions with related parties:		
Development and construction costs	3,052	-
Retained Investment property of the disposed subsidiaries as a part of the disposal consideration (Note 7.4)	2,890	-
Cash consideration received for disposal of subsidiary (Note 7.4)	3,000	-
Purchase of financial assets at FVOCI	-	3,537
Proceeds from disposal of an associate (Note 22.5)		
- Transfer of investment at FVOCI	168	-
- Transfer of investment property	667	-
- Cash consideration	32	-

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34 Related party transactions (continued)

	Year ended 31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	Year ended 31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Transactions included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss:		
Purchase of raw materials – from associates	3,314	4,308
Impairment in value of accounts receivable and other assets	337	803
Compensation of key management personnel of the Group		
Short term employee benefits	4,036	4,654
Board of Directors' and committee remuneration including subsidiaries	1,271	839
End of service benefits	246	163
Cost of share-based payments	242	-
	5,795	5,656

35 Summary of financial assets and liabilities by category and fair value measurement

35.1 Categories of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of the Group's financial assets and liabilities as stated in the consolidated statement of financial position may also be categorized as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Financial assets:		
At amortised cost:		
• Bank balances and cash	31,798	32,077
• Short term deposits	18,189	9,136
• Wakala and sukuk investments	1,000	1,153
• Accounts receivable and other financial assets (Note 17)	48,475	45,075
	99,462	87,441
At fair value:		
• Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (Note 19)	410,414	364,713
• Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (Note 20)	203,932	216,485
	614,346	581,198
Total financial assets	713,808	668,639
Financial liabilities:		
At amortised cost:		
• Due to banks	23,969	23,009
• Accounts payable and other financial liabilities (Note 25)	67,148	57,102
• Borrowings and bonds	628,603	611,117
	719,720	691,228

Notes to the consolidated financial statements (continued)

35 Summary of assets and liabilities by category (continued)

35.2 Fair value measurement

Fair value represents 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. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are carried at fair value and measurement details are disclosed in note 35.3 to the consolidated financial statements. In the opinion of the Group's management, the carrying amounts of all other financial assets and liabilities which are at amortised costs are considered a reasonable approximation of their fair values.

The Group also measures non-financial asset such as investment properties at fair value at each annual reporting date (Note 35.4).

35.3 Fair value hierarchy

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are grouped into three Levels of a fair value hierarchy. The three Levels are defined based on the observability of significant inputs to the measurement, as follows:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2: 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: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs).

The level within which the asset or liability is classified is determined based on the lowest level of significant input to the fair value measurement.

The financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis in the statement of consolidated financial position are grouped into the fair value hierarchy as follows;

At 31 December 2019

	Note	Level 1 KD'000	Level 2 KD'000	Level 3 KD'000	Total Balance KD'000
Assets at fair value					
Financial assets at FVTPL					
-Quoted shares	a	240,190	-	-	240,190
-Quoted debt securities	a	1,326	-	-	1,326
-Unquoted equity participations	b	-	13,371	13,043	26,414
-Managed portfolios and funds	c	-	4,169	138,315	142,484
Financial assets at FVOCI					
-Quoted shares	a	47,633	-	-	47,633
-Unquoted equity participations	b	-	36,336	96,133	132,469
-Managed portfolios and funds	c	-	5,694	18,136	23,830
		289,149	59,570	265,627	614,346

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35 Summary of financial assets and liabilities by category (continued)

35.3 Fair value hierarchy (continued)

At 31 December 2018

	Note	Level 1 KD'000	Level 2 KD'000	Level 3 KD'000	Total Balance KD'000
Assets at fair value					
Financial assets at FVTPL					
-Quoted shares	a	214,493	-	-	214,493
-Quoted debt securities	a	1,299	-	-	1,299
-Unquoted equity participations	b	-	12,134	9,508	21,642
-Managed portfolios and funds	c	-	5,207	122,072	127,279
Financial assets at FVOCI					
-Quoted shares	a	45,854	-	-	45,854
-Unquoted equity participations	b	-	58,789	82,265	141,054
-Managed portfolios and funds	c	-	6,951	22,626	29,577
		261,646	83,081	236,471	581,198

Measurement at fair value

The Group's finance team performs valuations of financial items for financial reporting purposes, including Level 3 fair values, in consultation with third party valuation specialists for complex valuations, where required. Valuation techniques are selected based on the characteristics of each instrument, with the overall objective of maximizing the use of market-based information.

The methods and valuation techniques used for the purpose of measuring fair values, are unchanged compared to the previous reporting year.

a) Quoted shares and debt instruments (Level 1 and 3)

Quoted shares represent all listed equity securities which are publicly traded in stock exchanges. Where quoted prices in an active market are available, the fair value of such investments have been determined by reference to their quoted bid prices at the reporting date (Level 1) and if the market for an investment is not active, the Group has established fair value by using valuation techniques (Level 3).

b) Unquoted equity participations (Level 2 and 3)

The consolidated financial statements include holdings in unlisted securities which are measured at fair value. Fair value is estimated using discounted cash flow model or observable market prices or other valuation techniques which include some assumptions that are not supportable by observable market prices or rates.

c) Managed portfolios and funds

Private equity funds (Level 3)

The underlying investments in these private equity funds mainly represent foreign quoted and unquoted securities. Information for these investments is limited to periodic financial reports provided by the investment managers. These investments are carried at net asset values reported by the investment managers. Due to the nature of these investments, the net asset values reported by the investment managers represent the best estimate of fair values available for these investments.

Other managed portfolios and funds (Level 2 and 3)

The underlying investments of international managed portfolios and funds represent quoted and unquoted securities. They are valued based on periodic reports received from the portfolio/fund managers.

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35 Summary of assets and liabilities by category (continued)

35.3 Fair value hierarchy (continued)

Level 3 Fair value measurements

The Group measurement of financial assets and liabilities classified in level 3 uses valuation techniques inputs that are not based on observable market data. The financial instruments within this level can be reconciled from beginning to ending balances as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD'000	31 Dec. 2018 KD'000
Opening balance	236,471	230,310
Net change in fair value	31,724	(1,139)
Transferred from investments carried at cost to fair value	-	20,214
Net (disposal)/addition during the year	(2,568)	1,720
Reclassification	-	(14,634)
Closing balance	265,627	236,471

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35 Summary of assets and liabilities by category (continued)

35.3 Fair value hierarchy (continued)

The following table provides information about the sensitivity of the fair values measurement to changes in the most significant unobservable inputs:

Financial assets	Fair value as at 31 Dec. 2019 KD'000	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique	Significant unobservable Input	Sensitivity of the fair value measurement to the input	Range
Financial assets at FVTPL:						
Unquoted equity participations	13,043	3	NAV reported by investment manager	Fair market value of the underlying assets	Higher the FMV of the assets, higher the value	N/A
Managed portfolios and funds	138,315	3	NAV reported by investment manager	Fair market value of the underlying assets	Higher the FMV of the assets, higher the value	N/A
Financial assets at FVOCI:						
Unquoted equity participations	96,133	3	Adjusted NAV basis/ DCF method/ market multiples	Long term growth rate for cash flows for subsequent years	Higher the growth rate, higher the fair value	2.4% - 3.0%
				WACC	Higher the WACC, lower the value	15.22% - 16.32%
				Discount for lack of marketability	Higher the discount rate, lower the value	10% - 40%
Managed portfolios and funds	18,136	3	NAV reported by investment manager	Fair market value of the underlying assets	Higher the FMV of the assets, higher the value	N/A

The impact on profit or loss and other comprehensive income would be immaterial if the relevant risk variable used to fair value the level 3 investments were changed by 5%.

Discount for lack of marketability represents the amounts that the Group has determined that market participants would take into account these premiums and discounts when pricing the investments.

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35 Summary of assets and liabilities by category (continued)

35.4 Fair value measurement of non-financial assets

The following table shows the Levels within the hierarchy of non-financial assets measured level 3 of fair value hierarchy on a recurring basis at 31 December 2019 and 2018.

	31 Dec. 2019 KD'000 Level 3	31 Dec. 2018 KD'000 Level 3
Investment properties		
- Lands and buildings in Kuwait	46,417	38,020
- Lands and buildings in Saudi Arabia	4,772	4,794
- Lands and buildings in UAE	313	344
- Properties under development	2,970	29,583
- Lands in UAE	1,898	168
- Lands in Jordan	504	504
- Lands in Kuwait	2,700	2,600
- Building in London	871	844
	60,445	76,857

The above buildings mainly represent rental properties on freehold land categorized as “Investment Lands” (i.e land which can be used to construct multiple residential unit buildings, apartments, villas, duplex and studios), in Kuwait, UAE, London and Saudi Arabia. The freehold lands above also mainly represent lands categorized as investment lands. The fair value of the investment properties has been determined based on valuations obtained from independent valuers (two evaluator’s for local properties and one evaluator for foreign properties), who are specialised in valuing these types of investment properties. The significant inputs and assumptions are developed in close consultation with management. One of these valuers is a local bank (for local investment properties) who has valued the investment properties using primarily two methods, one of which is the yield method and other being a combination of the market comparison approach for the land and cost minus depreciation approach for the buildings. The other valuator who is a local/foreign reputable valuator has also valued the investment properties primarily by using a combination of the methods noted above. When the market comparison approach is used, adjustments have been incorporated for factors specific to the land in question, including plot size, location, construction/development cost and current use. For the valuation purpose for properties in Kuwait, the Group has selected the lower value of the two valuations (2018: lower of two valuations). Further information regarding the level 3 fair value measurements is set out in the table below:

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35 Summary of assets and liabilities by category (continued)

35.4 Fair value measurement of non-financial assets (continued)

	Fair value as at		Valuation technique	Significant unobservable input	Relationship of unobservable inputs to fair value	Range of unobservable inputs
	31 Dec. 2019 KD'000	31 Dec. 2018 KD'000				
Land and buildings in Kuwait, UAE and Saudi Arabia	54,472	72,741	Yield method and Market comparison approach for land and cost less depreciation for buildings	Estimated market price for land (per sqm)	The higher the price per square meter, the higher the fair value	2019: KD1,148 to KD7,900 (2018: KD714 to KD7,900)
				Construction cost (per sqm)	The higher the construction cost per square meter, the higher the fair value	2019: KD34 to KD740 (2018: KD51 to KD2,527)
				Average monthly rent (per sqm)	The higher the rent per square meter, the higher the fair value	2019: KD2.4 to KD140.37 (2018: KD3.86 to KD154.37)
				Yield rate	The higher the yield rate per square meter, the higher the fair value	2019: 6.2% to 13.94% (2018: 6.11% to 11.15%)
				Vacancy rate	The higher the vacancy rate, the lower the value	2019: 10% (2018: 10%)
Freehold lands Kuwait, UAE and Jordan	5,102	3,272	Market comparison approach	Estimated market price for land (per sqm)	The higher the price per square meter, the higher the fair value	2019: KD38 to KD1,150 (2018: KD89 to KD7,900)
Building in London	871	844	Yield method	Average monthly rent (per sqm)	The higher the rent per square meter, the higher the fair value	2019: KD11.85 (2018: KD11.85)
				Yield rate	The higher the yield rate, the lower the value	2019: 6.11% (2018: 6.11%)
				Vacancy rate	The higher the vacancy rate the lower the fair value	2019: 10% (2018: 10%)

Level 3 Fair value measurements

The Group measurement of investment properties classified in level 3 uses valuation techniques inputs that are not based on observable market data. The movement in the investment properties is disclosed in Note 21.

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36 Risk management objectives and policies

The Group's financial liabilities comprise due to banks, short term and long term borrowings and bond, leasing creditors and accounts payable and other liabilities. The main purpose of these financial liabilities is to raise finance for Group operations. The Group has various financial assets such as accounts receivable and other assets, bank balance and cash, wakala and sukuk investments, short term deposits and investments and investment securities which arise directly from operations.

The Group's activities expose it to variety of financial risks: market risk (including currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Board of Directors sets out policies for reducing each of the risks discussed below.

The Group also enters into derivative transactions, primarily interest rate swaps. The purpose is to manage the interest rate risks arising from the Group's sources of finance. The Group's policy is not to trade in derivative financial instruments.

36.1 Market risk

The most significant financial risks to which the Group is exposed to are described below.

a) Foreign currency risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the fair values or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates.

The Group mainly operates in the Middle East, USA and United Kingdom and is exposed to foreign currency risk arising, primarily from US Dollar and Saudi Riyal. The consolidated statement of financial position can be significantly affected by the movement in these currencies. To mitigate the Group's exposure to foreign currency risk, non-Kuwaiti Dinar cash flows are monitored.

Generally, the Group's risk management procedures distinguish short-term foreign currency cash flows (due within twelve months) from longer-term cash flows. Foreign currency risk is managed on the basis of limits determined by the Parent Company's board of directors and a continuous assessment of the consolidated open positions.

The Group's significant net exposure to foreign currency denominated monetary assets less monetary liabilities at the reporting date, translated into Kuwaiti Dinars at the closing rates are as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 <i>Equivalent</i> KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 <i>Equivalent</i> KD '000
US Dollars	(85,300)	(97,540)
Saudi Riyals	15,734	14,658

The Parent Company's management estimates that a reasonable possible change in the above exchange rate would be 5%.

If the Kuwaiti Dinar had strengthened against the foreign currencies assuming the above sensitivity (5%), then this would have the following impact on the profit for the year. There is no impact on the Group's other comprehensive income.

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36 Risk management objectives and policies (continued)

36.1 Market risk (continued)

a) Foreign currency risk (continued)

	Impact on profit	
	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
US Dollars	4,261	4,877
Saudi Riyals	(787)	(733)
	3,474	4,144

If the Kuwaiti Dinar had weakened against the foreign currencies assuming the above sensitivity (5%), then there would be an equal and opposite impact on the profit for the year, and the balances shown above would be negative for US Dollars and positive for Saudi Riyals.

Exposures to foreign exchange rates vary during the year depending on the volume and nature of the transactions. Nonetheless, the analysis above is considered to be representative of the Group's exposure to the foreign currency risk.

b) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future profitability or the fair values of financial instruments. The Group is exposed to interest rate risk on its short term deposits (Note 15), borrowings and bonds (Note 26) and due to banks (Note 15) which are both at fixed and floating interest rates. The risk is managed by the Group by managing an appropriate mix between fixed and floating rate, short term deposits and borrowings.

Positions are monitored regular to ensure positions are maintained within established limits.

The following table illustrates the sensitivity of the profit for the year to reasonable possible change of interest rate of +25 (0.25%) and -75 (0.75%) basis points with effect from the beginning of the year. The calculation is based on the Group's financial instruments held at each reporting date. All other variables are held constant. There is no impact on Group's other comprehensive income.

	Increase in interest rates		Decrease in interest rates	
	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Effect on profit for the year	(1,504)	(1,479)	4,512	4,438

c) Equity price risk

This is a risk that the value of financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices, whether these changes are caused by factors specific to individual instrument or its issuer or factors affecting all instruments, traded in the market. The Group is exposed to equity price risk with respect to its listed equity investments which are primarily located in Kuwait, Jordan, Bahrain, Abu Dhabi, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Pakistan and USA. Equity investments are classified either as "financial assets at fair value through profit or loss" or "financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income".

To manage its price risk arising from investments in equity securities, the Group diversifies its portfolio. Diversification of the portfolio is done in accordance with the limits determined by the Group.

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36 Risk management objectives and policies (continued)

36.1 Market risk (continued)

c) Equity price risk (continued)

The equity price risk sensitivity is determined on the exposure to equity price risks at the reporting date. If equity prices had been 10% higher/lower, the effect on the profit for the year and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December would have been as follows:

A positive number below indicates an increase profit and other comprehensive income where the equity prices increase by 10%. All other variables are held constant.

	Profit for the year		Other comprehensive income	
	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Financial assets at FVTPL	24,019	21,449	-	-
Financial assets at FVOCI	-	-	4,763	4,585
	24,019	21,449	4,763	4,585

For a 10% decrease in the equity prices there would be an equal and opposite impact on the profit for the year and other comprehensive income and the amounts shown above would be negative.

36.2 Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation and cause the other party to incur a financial loss. The Group credit policy and exposure to credit risk is monitored on an ongoing basis. The Group seeks to avoid undue concentrations of risks with individuals or groups of customers in specific locations or business through diversification of its activities.

The Group's exposure to credit risk is limited to the carrying amounts of financial assets recognised at the reporting date, as summarized below:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Bank balances and cash	31,798	32,077
Short term deposits	18,189	9,136
Wakala and sukuk investments	1,000	1,153
Accounts receivable and other assets (Note 17)	48,475	45,075
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	410,414	364,713
Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income	203,932	216,485
	713,808	668,639

The Group continuously monitors defaults of customers and other counterparties, identified either individually or by Group, and incorporate this information into its credit risk controls. Where available at reasonable cost, external credit ratings and/or reports on customers and other counterparties are obtained and used. The Group's policy is to deal only with creditworthy counterparties. None of the above financial assets are past due nor impaired except for certain wakala investments (Note 16) and account receivable and other asset (Note 17) respectively. The Group's management considers that all the above financial assets that are neither past due nor impaired for each of the reporting dates under review are of good credit quality.

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36 Risk management objectives and policies (continued)

36.2 Credit risk (continued)

In respect of receivables, the Group is not exposed to any significant credit risk exposure to any single counterparty. The credit risk for bank balances and short term deposits is considered negligible, since the counterparties are reputable financial institution with high credit quality. Information on other significant concentrations of credit risk is set out in Note 36.3.

36.3 Concentration of assets

The distribution of financial assets by geographic region was as follows:

	Kuwait KD '000	Other Middle Eastern Countries KD '000	Asia and Africa KD '000	UK and Europe KD '000	USA KD '000	Total KD '000
At 31 December 2019						
Geographic region:						
Bank balances and cash	22,701	4,147	42	4,583	325	31,798
Short term deposits	18,122	67	-	-	-	18,189
Wakala and sukuk investments	1,000	-	-	-	-	1,000
Accounts receivable and other assets	18,447	20,799	2,623	5,974	632	48,475
Financial assets at FVTPL	202,654	74,465	1,754	8,684	122,857	410,414
Financial assets at FVOCI	39,170	107,643	42,964	1,777	12,378	203,932
	302,094	207,121	47,383	21,018	136,192	713,808
At 31 December 2018						
Geographic region:						
Bank balances and cash	14,401	6,387	133	10,695	461	32,077
Short term deposits	8,953	183	-	-	-	9,136
Wakala and sukuk investments	1,153	-	-	-	-	1,153
Accounts receivable and other assets	18,540	14,881	2,257	8,297	1,100	45,075
Financial assets at FVTPL	164,679	79,747	2,176	4,897	113,214	364,713
Financial assets at FVOCI	39,793	102,437	55,650	4,329	14,276	216,485
	247,519	203,635	60,216	28,218	129,051	668,639

36.4 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will be unable to meet its liabilities when they fall due. To limit this risk, management has arranged diversified funding sources, manages assets with liquidity in mind, and monitors liquidity on a regular basis.

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Group's assets and liabilities. Except for investments carried at fair value through profit or loss and fair value through other comprehensive income investments, the maturities of assets and liabilities have been determined on the basis of the remaining period from the reporting date to the contractual maturity date.

The maturity profile for investments carried at fair value through profit or loss, fair value through other comprehensive income and investment properties is determined based on management's estimate of liquidation of those investments.

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36 Risk management objectives and policies (continued)

36.4 Liquidity risk (continued)

Maturity profile of assets and liabilities are as follows:

	At 31 December 2019			At 31 December 2018		
	1 year KD '000	Over 1 year KD '000	Total KD '000	1 year KD '000	Over 1 year KD '000	Total KD '000
ASSETS						
Bank balances and cash	31,798	-	31,798	32,077	-	32,077
Short term deposits	18,189	-	18,189	9,136	-	9,136
Wakala and sukuk investments	1,000	-	1,000	1,000	153	1,153
Accounts receivable and other assets	41,310	9,466	50,776	43,219	4,234	49,453
Inventories	35,948	-	35,948	36,587	-	36,587
Financial assets at FVTPL	141,103	269,311	410,414	144,282	219,885	364,713
Financial assets at FVOCI	49,744	154,188	203,932	57,676	158,809	216,485
Right of use of leased assets	-	6,532	6,532	-	-	-
Investment properties	2,565	57,880	60,445	-	76,857	76,857
Investment in associates	-	324,781	324,781	4,886	312,576	317,462
Property, plant and equipment	-	91,177	91,177	-	88,876	88,876
Goodwill and other intangible assets	-	9,552	9,552	-	9,925	9,925
	321,657	922,887	1,244,544	329,409	873,315	1,202,724
LIABILITIES						
Due to banks	23,969	-	23,969	23,009	-	23,009
Accounts payable and other liabilities	64,830	4,360	69,190	58,642	35	58,677
Borrowings and bonds*	321,243	307,360	628,603	265,136	345,981	611,117
Provisions	-	14,113	14,113	-	13,573	13,573
	410,042	325,833	735,875	346,787	359,589	706,376

The contractual maturities of financial liabilities based on undiscounted cash flows are as follows:

	Up to 1 month KD '000	1-3 Months KD '000	3-12 months KD '000	Over 1 year KD '000	Total KD '000
31 December 2019					
Financial liabilities (undiscounted)					
Due to banks	23,969	-	-	-	23,969
Accounts payable and other liabilities	33,690	8,506	20,592	4,360	67,148
Borrowings and bonds	86,858	57,092	200,347	357,978	702,275
	144,517	65,598	220,939	362,338	793,392
31 December 2018					
Financial liabilities (undiscounted)					
Due to banks	23,009	-	-	-	23,009
Accounts payable and other liabilities	26,003	6,527	24,537	35	57,102
Borrowings and bonds	37,939	60,839	194,260	407,484	700,522
	86,951	67,366	218,797	407,519	780,633

*The Group's short term borrowings principally represent revolving facilities with local and foreign banks and financial institutions. During the year 2019, the Group's management has successfully renewed all short-term facilities which were classified as falling due within one month and one to three months.

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37 Capital risk management

The Group's capital management objectives are to ensure that the Group maintains a strong credit rating and healthy ratios in order to support its business and maximise shareholder value.

The Group manages the capital structure and makes adjustments in the light of changes in economic conditions and risk characteristics of the underlying assets. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, buy back shares, issue new shares or sell assets to reduce debt.

The capital structure for the Group consists of the following:

	31 Dec. 2019 KD '000	31 Dec. 2018 KD '000
Borrowings and bonds (Note 26)	628,603	611,117
Due to banks	23,969	23,009
	652,572	634,126
Less :		
Bank balances and cash	(31,798)	(32,077)
Short term deposits	(18,189)	(9,136)
Wakala and sukuk investments	(1,000)	(1,153)
Net debt	601,585	591,760
Total equity	508,669	496,348

Consistent with others in the industry, the Group monitors capital on the basis of the gearing ratio.

This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by the total equity as follows:

	31 Dec. 2019 %	31 Dec. 2018 %
Net debt to equity ratio	118%	119

38 Fiduciary assets

One of the subsidiaries of the Group manages mutual funds, portfolios on behalf of related and third parties, and maintains securities in fiduciary accounts which are not reflected in the consolidated statement of financial position. Assets under management at 31 December 2019 amounted to KD9,874 thousand (2018: KD9,225 thousand) of which assets managed on behalf of related parties amounted to KD2,569 thousand (2018: KD3,121 thousand).

39 Contingent liabilities and capital commitments

At 31 December 2019, the Group had contingent liabilities in respect of outstanding bank guarantees amounting to KD18,916 thousand (2018: KD26,888 thousand) and other contingencies with regard to pending litigations and tax claims amounting to KD356 thousand (2018: KD356 thousand)

At the reporting date the Group had commitments for the purchase of investments and the acquisition of property, plant and equipment and investment properties totalling KD20,348 thousand (2018: KD31,498 thousand).

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40 Dividend distribution

Subject to the requisite consent of the relevant authorities and approval from the general assembly, the Parent Company's Board of Directors propose a cash dividend of 10% (2018: 12%) equivalent to 10 Fils (2018: equivalent to 12 Fils) per share for the year ended 31 December 2019.

At the Annual General Meeting held on 2 May 2019, the shareholders approved a cash dividend of 12% (2017: 10%) equivalent to 12 Fils (2017: equivalent to 10 Fils) per share for the year ended 31 December 2018 and 5% bonus shares which represent 67,992,653 shares of 100 Fils each amounting to KD6,799 thousand.

41 Subsequent events

- a) Subsequent to the reporting date, the Parent Company issued fixed rate bonds of KD 22,400 thousand and floating rate bonds of KD 7,600 thousand at face value maturing on 21 February 2025.
- b) On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organization characterised Covid-19 as a pandemic, negatively impacting global markets, disrupting supply chains, and changing social behaviour. It is uncertain if Covid-19 will continue disrupting global markets and what impact it will have on the Group's operation. As the situation is fluid and rapidly evolving, the Group do not consider it practicable to provide a quantitative estimate of the potential impact of this outbreak on the Group.

The effect of Covid-19 are also likely to impact the Group's estimates in 2020 (including IFRS 9 ECL assessments) and the Group's equity investments which are exposed to equity price risk.

Equity investments are classified either as investments at fair value through profit or loss or investments at fair value through other comprehensive income. The Covid-19 outbreak has resulted in declines in the stock market indices throughout the world including Kuwait and GCC region. The decline in the stock market indices subsequent to the reporting date up to 31 March 2020 was as follows:

	Up to 31 March 2020 %
Kuwait market (Boursa)	24.2
Saudi Arabian market (Tadawul)	24.0
MSCI index	20.7

42 Comparative information

Certain other comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the presentation in the current year, and such reclassification does not affect previously reported net assets, net equity and net results for the year or net decrease in cash and cash equivalents.