

Management Discussion & Analysis Report

Financial Year 2021

31st January 2022

Mashreq posts AED 1 billion Net Profit for YE 2021

Dubai, UAE; 31st January 2022: Mashreq, one of the leading financial institutions in the UAE, today has reported its financial results for year ending 31st December 2021.

Key highlights:

- **Strong Growth in Operating Income & Net Profit**
 - Operating Income has increased by 12.8% over the previous year to AED 5.8 billion due to increased Net Interest Income and Income from Islamic financing coupled with improvements in fees and commission
 - Mashreq's non-interest income to operating income ratio continues to remain high at 47.5% (48.0% as of December 2020)
 - Operating profit at AED 3.2 billion is a 44.5% increase compared to YE 2020 as a result of higher operating income and lower operating expenses
 - Net Profit increased to AED 1 billion in YE 2021 compared to a loss of AED 1.3 billion in YE 2020. This was as a result of both an increase in operating profit and a decrease in impairment allowance by 38.7% Y-o-Y
- **Adequate Liquidity & Capital position**
 - Growth of 15.0% YTD in Customer deposits to reach AED 101.5 billion
 - Liquid Assets ratio stood at 29% with Cash and Due from Banks at AED 46.3 billion as on 31st December 2021
- **Robust Growth in the Loan Portfolio**
 - Total assets increased by 11.7 % YTD to AED 177.1 billion and Loans and Advances increased by 13.9% YTD to AED 81.5 billion
 - Loan-to-Deposit ratio remained stable at 80.3% at the end of December 2021
- **Improved Credit Environment**
 - Impairment allowance reduced to AED 2.1 billion from AED 3.4 billion in YE 2020
 - Non-Performing Loans to Gross Loans ratio was at 5.2% as of end of December 2021 (5.6% as of September 2021)
 - Total provision for loans and advances reached AED 6.7 billion and coverage ratio stood at 128.2% as on 31st December 2021 (up from 125.0% in September 2021)

Abdul Aziz Al Ghurair, Chairman of Mashreq, said: "The combination of a steady return to growth across the national economy, and the successful application of the Bank's digital and operational strategies provided a strong platform for growth in 2021.

We recorded significant improvements in operating income and net profits by year-end, driven in part by robust growth across the loan portfolio and an improved credit environment characterized by reduced impairments and a slight reduction in our non-performing-to-gross loan ratio.

Our colleagues' hard work and loyalty - right across the network and at all levels of seniority - have contributed heavily to our return to productivity. Their combined contributions have allowed the Bank to serve its customers - commercial, private, and retail - with the highest levels of services and industry-leading digital solutions throughout the year. Customer-centricity will remain at the heart of our approach.

In the near term, Mashreq Bank will maintain a conservative risk appetite and leverage its industry-leading digital capabilities to ensure that all its customers receive the very best services and solutions possible. To achieve sustainable growth our focus will remain on the delivery of an enhanced customer experience through existing growth platforms and continued investment in digitization and transformation programs.

We will also continue to build a robust infrastructure and a compliance strategy aligned to the central government policies for each geography where Mashreq is present. These priorities will make an important contribution to our role as a responsible corporate citizen and allow us to continue to make an important contribution to the UAE, its business, and people."

Ahmed Abdelaal, Group CEO, Mashreq Bank, said: "In 2021 we sought to lay down the foundations for long-term, inclusive growth through new investments in our people and innovative digital solutions. Our prudent operating model and core focus on customer centricity delivered a return to growth across almost all metrics, including profit. This strong performance comes as a result of increased operating income and reduced operating expenses.

Growth in customer deposits also played an important role in the delivery of a healthier balance sheet in 2021, as did increases in loans and advances. We were pleased to see a strong growth in CASA deposits and a double-digit increase in total assets.

The Bank's book-running league table standing continued to soar, with Mashreq now ranked second amongst the top GCC banks in syndicated loans – for Global Loans.

Our strategy of investing in our work from anywhere model and hiring the best talent in every market continued at pace in 2021 with a sharp focus on women's empowerment as part of a wider diversity and inclusion strategy. This has proven to be extremely well received, representing the importance of balance, adaptability, and the value of a happy and fulfilled workforce. This has served the Bank and all its stakeholders well in 2021.

Our flagship digital products, which include the consumer platform Neo, our SME platform NEOBiz and our Corporate platform for Global Transaction banking, have all been scaled up to provide support for more of our customers and growing businesses than ever before.

As we look ahead to 2022 and beyond, Mashreq Bank will leverage its investments in new digital solutions to deliver revenue growth, more enhanced customer journeys, and geographic expansion across high-growth markets.

I wish to thank all of our customers, our employees, our shareholders, and the communities we serve for their loyalty and support during a year that signaled a healthy return to growth.

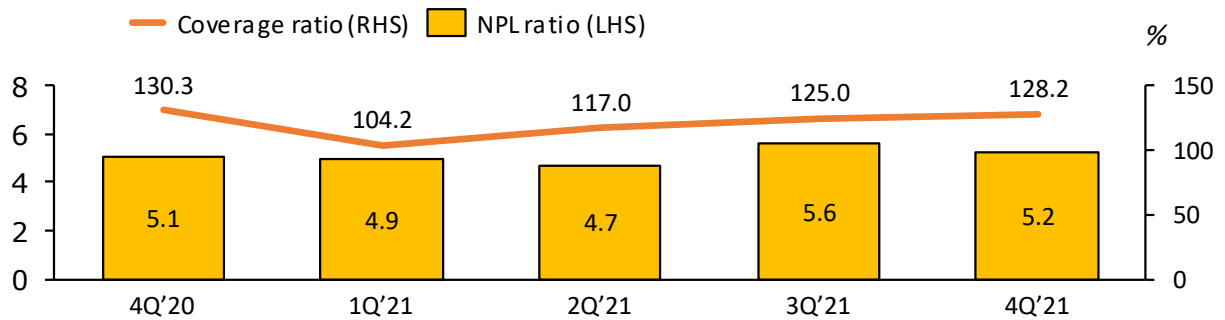
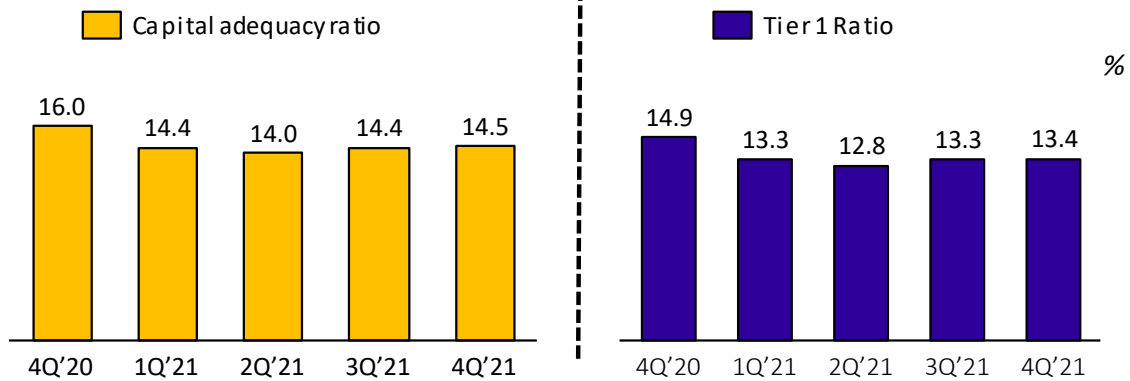
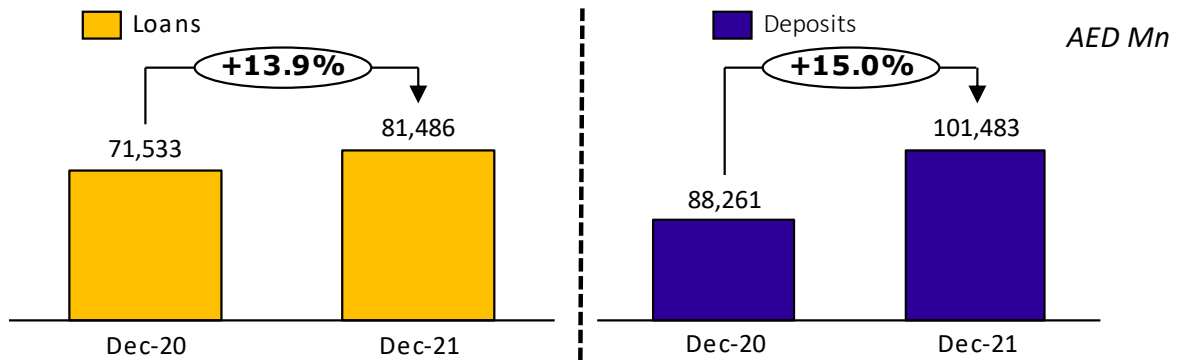
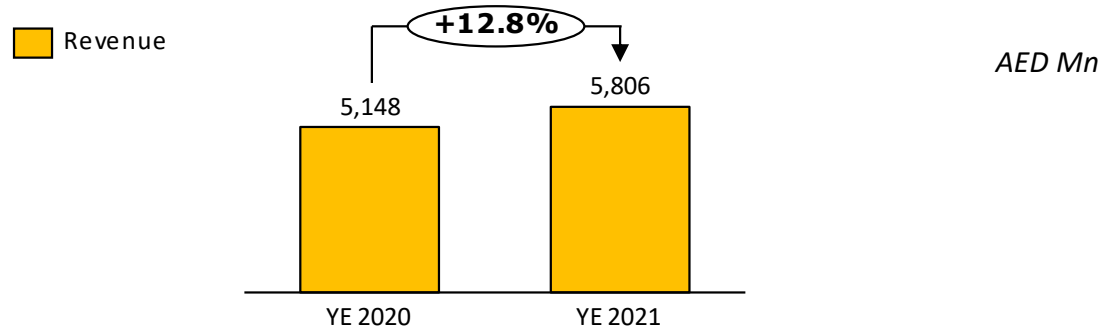
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Financial Highlights:

YE 2021 Financial Highlights	Annual Trend			Quarterly Trend				
	YE		Δ %	4Q	3Q	4Q	Δ %	
	2021	2020	YoY	2021	2021	2020	QoQ	YoY
Income statement (AED mn)								
Net Interest Income & Income from Islamic Financing	3,045	2,676	13.8	810	795	616	1.9	31.4
Fee and commission	1,577	1,220	29.3	397	362	284	9.6	39.6
Investment Income	177	321	(45.0)	3	40	32	(92.9)	(91.2)
Insurance, FX & Other Income	1,007	931	8.2	299	231	244	29.0	22.2
Total Operating Income	5,806	5,148	12.8	1,508	1,428	1,177	5.6	28.1
Operating Expenses	(2,623)	(2,945)	(10.9)	(711)	(691)	(1,061)	2.9	(33.0)
Operating Profit	3,183	2,203	44.5	797	737	116	8.2	586.4
Impairment Allowance	(2,059)	(3,357)	(38.7)	(24)	(538)	(1,714)	(95.5)	(98.6)
Tax Expense	(49)	(52)	(5.9)	(17)	(6)	(19)	209.0	(9.1)
Non-Controlling Interest	(74)	(73)	1.3	(19)	(13)	(13)	43.6	44.7
Net Profit for the Period	1,002	(1,278)	NM	737	180	(1,630)	310.2	NM
EPS [AED]	5.56	(7.09)	NM	3.67	1.01	(9.18)	263.0	NM
	Dec	Dec	Δ %	Dec	Sep	Dec	Δ %	
Balance Sheet (AED mn)	2021	2020	YoY	2021	2021	2020	QoQ	YTD
Total Assets	177,054	158,523	11.7	177,054	169,561	158,523	4.4	11.7
Loans and Advances	81,486	71,533	13.9	81,486	76,982	71,533	5.9	13.9
Customer Deposits	101,483	88,261	15.0	101,483	94,779	88,261	7.1	15.0
Shareholder's Funds	20,228	19,431	4.1	20,228	19,389	19,431	4.3	4.1
	Dec	Dec	Δ bps	Dec	Sep	Dec	Δ bps	
Key Ratios (%)	2021	2020	YoY	2021	2021	2020	QoQ	YTD
CAR (Capital Adequacy ratio)	14.50	16.01	(151)	14.50	14.44	16.01	5	(151)
Tier 1 Ratio	13.35	14.87	(152)	13.35	13.31	14.87	5	(152)
Loan-to-Deposits	80.30	81.05	(75)	80.30	81.22	81.05	(93)	(75)
Return-on Assets*	0.65	-0.88	154	0.65	0.23	(0.88)	42	154
Return-on-Equity*	5.15	-6.24	1139	5.15	1.84	(6.24)	332	1,139

*Annualized

Exhibits:



4Q 2021 Awards:

- **Global Banking & Finance Awards**
 - Banking CEO of the Year UAE 2021 - Ahmed Abdelaal, Group Chief Executive Officer, Mashreq Bank
 - Best Bank for Digital Banking Services MENA 2021
 - Most Innovative Private Bank for Digital Client Solutions UAE 2021
- **Pan Finance Award**
 - Neo Bank of the Year
 - Outstanding CEO of the Year - Ahmed Abdelaal - MENA 2021
- **Global Business Magazine Award**
 - Best Corporate Bank Qatar 2021
- **IBSi FinTech Innovation Awards**
 - Best Fraud Risk Management Implementation category for the Fraud Risk Implementation of its Enterprise Transaction Monitoring system - Clari5.
- **World Business Awards**
 - Best Digital Bank – UAE 2021
 - Most Innovative Islamic Banking Solutions Provider – UAE 2021
- **EMEA Finance - Middle East Banking Awards**
 - Best local bank
- **Asian Banker MEA Risk Management Award 2021**
 - Achievement in Operational Risk Management in the UAE
 - Fraud Prevention Technology Implementation of the Year in the UAE
- **2021 Euromoney Cash Management Survey for Financial Institutions**
 - Market Leader in Africa – All currency
 - Market Leader in Middle East – All currency
 - Market Leader in Middle East – UAE Dirham
- **2021 Euromoney Cash Management Survey for non-Financial Institutions**
 - Market Leader in United Arab Emirates
- **2nd Open Banking Forum**
 - Innovation in Digital Banking Award
- **Future Workplace Award 2021**
 - Best Employee Wellbeing Programme
- **Asiamoney**
 - Best Digital Bank in the Middle East
 - Best Transaction Bank in the Middle East
 - Best Digital Bank in Dubai

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