

A-Smart Holdings Ltd

(FKA Xpress Holdings Ltd)

# Building SMART Solutions

Annual Report 2016

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We have a **VISION** to lead the way in building **SMART** solutions.

To create **SMARTER** businesses, **SMARTER** cities.



# Company Profile

Established in 1986, Xpress was listed on the SGX Mainboard on 28 June 1999. Headquartered in Singapore, the Group offers the full range of print management services including time-sensitive financial printing, conceptualisation, design, copywriting, translation, typesetting, colour proofing, printing, post-press packaging, global distribution and delivery.

In October 2016, Xpress expanded its core businesses to include Smart Technologies Businesses, Publishing Businesses, and Investment Businesses. To better reflect its new profile, business activities and business direction, the Company changed its name from Xpress Holdings Ltd to "A-Smart Holdings Ltd" ("A-Smart").

Under the Smart Technologies Businesses, the Group aims to be a leading developer of one-stop smart IT solutions and applications mainly for the food and beverage ("F&B") and retail industry in Southeast Asia.

The Group's printing arm will continue operations under its subsidiary - Xpress Print Pte Ltd ("Xpress Print") supported by a comprehensive network of printing partners in the region. Xpress Print has over 30 years of track record of innovating one-stop print solutions for its clients including time-sensitive financial research reports, annual reports, asset management reports and IPO prospectuses. It also produces on behalf of its commercial clients, corporate brochures, year books, magazines and other commercial publications, collaterals and corporate gifts/premiums.

The print business has also added publishing services to diversify its revenue streams.



# Financial Highlights

GROUP FINANCIALS AT 31 JULY	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
INCOME STATEMENT		
Revenue	7,744	10,404
Operating EBITDA <sup>1</sup>	(20,057)	2,708
(Loss)/ Profit before income tax <sup>1</sup>	(20,355)	2,073
Net (loss)/ profit from continuing operations	(20,337)	2,056
Net (loss)/ profit from discontinued operations	(1,415)	(1,745)
Net (loss)/ profit of the Group	(21,752)	311
BALANCE SHEET		
Total assets	7,977	20,167
Net tangible assets <sup>2</sup>	2,057	8,626
Total liabilities	5,920	11,541
Cash and cash equivalents	2,768	3,690
PER SHARE DATA (SINGAPORE CENTS) <sup>3</sup>		
Earnings per share – basic and diluted	(23.13)	0.51
Net tangible assets <sup>2</sup>	1.92	9.72

During the financial year ended 31 July 2016 ("FY2016"), the Group made a net loss of S\$21.75 million. This was mainly due to a loss on disposal of S\$19.67 million recorded on the sale of loss- making subsidiaries in China, Hong Kong and Malaysia. In addition, the sale companies also contributed an operating loss of S\$1.42 million in FY2016.

<sup>2</sup> The decline in net tangible assets (NTA) was due to the one-time disposal of Sale Companies whose net assets value less the sale consideration was \$\$7.42 million.

Per Share Data is calculated based on the existing issued share capital of 106,912,080 ordinary shares outstanding as at 31 July 2016 (31 July 2015: 88,698,080).

# Chairman's **Message**



A smart leap into the future by riding the digital wave and injecting new revenue streams to enhance shareholder value.

I am proud to be leading the Group on a fresh journey to return positive

Over the past year, the Group has implemented various reform measures and undergone a major overhaul to turn the company around and set it on a new growth path.

One of the major steps undertaken was the divestment of the Group's loss making subsidiaries in Hong Kong, China and Malaysia. This will cut losses and aid the Group in its recovery to financial health.

We have also streamlined our overall operations and management to stay nimble and cost-efficient. Under the stewardship of the Board, we made impressive strides to turnaround the company. Apart from disposal of loss making units, the Group has undergone corporate restructuring and costcontrol. We also remain focused on sourcing for new growth opportunities for the Group.

## Chairman's Message

Another milestone measure that we took was to transform our traditional print business model to a "Smart" business model. This is a strategic move to enable us to take advantage of technological innovations, open up new revenue streams and enhance value to shareholders. We intend to tap on the opportunities of the rising demand for e-commerce and the eventual widespread adoption of smart technology to be in line with the government's efforts in transforming Singapore into a smart nation.

Kicking off our move into Smart technology businesses, we have recently obtained the shareholders' approval to acquire a 70% equity stake in Amplify Me Pte Ltd ("AMPL"), a technology firm with extensive experience and expertise in the development of Smart IT solutions, e-commerce and web-portal services. We will be working very closely with AMPL to develop and offer a one-stop IT solutions service – initially in the food and beverage (F&B) industry before expanding to other sectors.

Our strategic move will offer a sustainable income stream and broaden our earnings base as this is a highly scalable business with a huge potential for expansion into many other commercial applications in Singapore and overseas.

To further diversify our investment base, we sealed a joint-venture with Sheng Siong Group Ltd and Kunming LuChen Group Co Ltd. The Joint-venture company will operate a supermarket chain under the Sheng Siong brand in China, the world's largest consumer market. The first supermarket store will open in Kunming China by the next six months and over the next few years many more will be opened, in Kunming and other cities of China.

#### **Financial Performance**

The Group's revenue softened to S\$7.7 million for the full year ended 31 July 2016, while we took a one-time hit – recording a net loss of S\$21.8 million for FY2016. This was caused mainly by the one-off loss of S\$19.7 million incurred on divestment of loss-making subsidiaries and the operating loss of S\$1.4 million suffered by the divested subsidiaries.

#### **Going Forward**

In line with our transformation, the Group undertook a change in name and corporate identity as well as new core businesses. At the recent EGM on 13 October 2016, shareholders gave their blessings to change the Group's name to A-Smart Holdings Ltd and to expand its core businesses - to include Smart Technologies Businesses, Publishing Businesses, and Investment Businesses.

Guided by our new corporate vision to lead the way in building smart solutions, we are confident that our new business model will enable the Group to establish a sound foundation for sustainable long-term growth.

#### **Acknowledgement**

FY2016 has been a year of milestones on several fronts which we would not have achieved without the dedication of our staff, management as well as the faith of the loyal shareholders of A-Smart. With the completion of the Group's restructuring and the addition of new businesses, I believe the Group is set on the path to deliver positive results to the shareholders in the future.

I would also like to express my heartfelt appreciation to all our shareholders and various stakeholders, including business partners, customers and suppliers for their unwavering support during the past year.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow Board members for their wise counsel, commitment and the invaluable efforts in formulating A-Smart's long-term strategy for success.

We look forward to your continued support as we advance towards new horizons.

#### **MR MA WEIDONG**

**Executive Chairman** 

## Board of **Directors**



MA WEIDONG
Executive Chairman and Non-Independent Director



Mr Ma is an experienced company director in the People's Republic of China ("PRC") having served as the Board Director and Chairman of several PRC companies. Currently, he is the Chairman of Kunming Luchen Group Co. Ltd and Kunming Tianlongrun Sugar, Tobacco and Wine Co., Ltd.

Mr Ma began his entrepeneurial career in 1998, and is currently the Executive Vice President of the Kunming Entrepreneurs Association in the PRC, as well as being recognised as the Kunming Outstanding Entrepreneur. He has led the takeover, and restructuring of several companies in China, with a clear emphasis on his principles and values of integrity, trust and social responsibility. With his strong and creative business acumen, he has expanded the scale and diversity of his businesses, including the logistics, food manufacturing, financial and real estate sectors.

With foresight, great business acumen and resourcefulness, Mr Ma employs his sharp analytical skills in highly challenging economic situations to seek out and develop business opportunities. Under his strong leadership, both local and international enterprises are able to accurately ride on trends and make timely strategic adaptations to the everchanging economic landscape. His acute business sense guides enterprises to build a strong foundation, grow exponentially and fully reach their potential.

He has completed a course in Excellence and Innovation Management for CEO at the Tsinghua University in Beijing in 2012, and was part of a China delegation, alongside President Xi Jinping, at the 2013 APEC Summit in Bali, Indonesia.



LIM HUAN CHIANG JP
Chief Executive Officer and Non-Independent Director

Mr Lim Huan Chiang joined as the Chief Executive Officer and Non-Independent Director on 26 Oct 2015. Prior to joining A-Smart, he was with the Singapore Press Holdings for more than two decades and last held the position of Vice-President of the Chinese Media Group. Resultantly, he has not only developed expertise in the publication and printing industry, but also established a wide range of social contact and rapport with local SMEs, as well as overseas entrepreneurs particularly within the China Circle.

Mr Lim has a plethora of organization and management experiences, acquired from both his full-time profession and community involvement. He was once the Commander of Rescue Battalion and Commandant of Volunteer Unit when serving in the Singapore Civil Defence Force as a senior officer. During his tenure, his most significant achievements were to launch the Blood Grouping Test for the entire population, and also introduce various public education initiatives on emergency preparedness for schools and community groups and at workplaces.

In the area of social involvement, he currently holds appointments in a number of government boards and associations such as the National Community Leadership Institute Board, MDA Film Appeal Panel, Chinese Publishers Association, Singapore Government Staff Credit Co-operative and Business China. He has also been holding the posts of Chairman of Radin Mas Citizens' Consultative Committee and President of the Chinese Press Club for years.

Mr Lim has been appointed as a Justice of the Peace by the President of Singapore since 2005. Due to his outstanding contributions to the community, he was conferred a number of national awards including the Public Service Star (Bar) in 2012.

Mr Lim holds a degree in Fire Engineering (UK) and has also obtained various professional qualifications in fields such as Business Management, Public Relations, Publishing Works and China Law.



SAM CHONG KEEN
Lead Independent and
Non-Executive Director

Mr Sam Chong Keen was first appointed Independent Non-Executive Director on 5 December 2001. Since then, he has served the Group as Chief Executive Officer from 2006 to 2008 and as Non-Executive Chairman from 2014 to 2015. Mr Sam was appointed the Lead Independent Director on 9 July 2015.

Sam has wealth of Mr a management experience, having held senior/CEO positions the Singapore Government Administrative Service, National Trades Union Congress, Intraco Ltd, Comfort Group Ltd, VICOM Ltd, Lion Asiapac Ltd, Lion Teck Chiang Ltd, Jade Technologies Holdings Ltd and Sino-Environment Technology Group Limited.

Mr Sam was the Political Secretary to the Minister for Education from 1988 to 1991. He has served on various government boards and committees, including the Central Provident Fund Board and the National Cooperative Federation.

Mr Sam holds a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Engineering Science & Economics and a Master of Arts from University of Oxford, as well as a Diploma from the Institute of Marketing, United Kingdom.



DARLINGTON TSENG TE-LIN

**Non-Executive Director** 

Mr Darlington Tseng has been serving as Non- Independent and Non-Executive Director since July 4, 2014 .Previously, he served as its Executive Director from March 1, 2008 to June 1, 2014. He joined the Company on 2 July 2007 as Director of Business Development for Greater China.

Before joining A-Smart, Mr Tseng held a senior executive position at BASF Taiwan Ltd, from 2005 to 2007. He gained extensive knowledge of the region's business climate during his tenure with BASF's regional business unit, where he collected vast market analyses and formulated strong marketing strategies. Between 1998 and 2002, Mr. Tseng worked in the chemical industry for AGI Corporation based in Taiwan where he was responsible the company's overseas markets and successfully set up the company's Mexico manufacturing plant producing specialty varnish for the printing/ coating industry.

Mr Tseng graduated from Peking University, with a Masters of Business Administration.



CHU HONGTAO
Independent Non-Executive Director

Ms Chu Hongtao was appointed Independent Non- Executive Director on 9 July 2015. She chairs the Audit Committee, the Nominating and the Remuneration Committees.

Ms Chu has more than 20 years of accounting, investment and financial management experience – having previously served as the Financial Controller of Yunnan Province Kunming Bao Shan Hotel and currently the Chief Financial Officer of Yunnan De Yi Hao Equity Management Co., Ltd.

Ms Chu possesses strong knowledge in finance, taxation and investment management and she is also well-versed in financial laws. She graduated from Dongbei University with a degree in Accountancy, and subsequently obtained an MBA from the Business and Tourism School of the Yunnan University in 2013.

# Key Management

#### **RONNIE YO**

**Group Financial Controller, A-Smart Holdings Ltd** 

Mr Yo joined A-Smart Holdings Ltd as Group Financial Controller in April 2015, a position he previously held from 2008 to 2010. He has overall responsibility for the finance, accounting, treasury, taxation and other compliance matters of the group.

Mr Yo has worked in the group finance functions of companies listed on the mainboard of the SGX-ST since 2003, after he left the public accounting profession.

He holds a qualification from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a Master degree in Accounting & Finance from a UK University and is a member of the Institute of Singapore Chartered Accountants.

#### **ELEANOR FONG SAU KWAN**

**Executive Director, Xpress Print Pte Ltd** 

Ms Fong joined the Group in March 1992 and was appointed the Executive Director of Xpress Print Pte Ltd. She also served as an Executive Director for Xpress Holdings Ltd between 5 December 2001 and 26 February 2007. She brings to the Group concrete strengths in international relations and management expertise. Ms Fong's current responsibilities involve developing the Group's regional clientele, as well as overseeing the activities of the sales and marketing department.

#### **FOONG SOW PENG**

**Operations Director, Xpress Print Pte Ltd** 

Ms Foong joined the Group in April 1995 and was appointed Operations Director of Xpress Print Pte Ltd. She is trained in factory management and holds a Diploma in Production Engineering from the Singapore Polytechnic. With over 30 years of experience in multinational corporations, Ms Foong is responsible for the Group's printing operations and publishing activities.

#### **RIDUWAN ZHANG**

General Manager, Financial Research, Xpress Print Pte Ltd

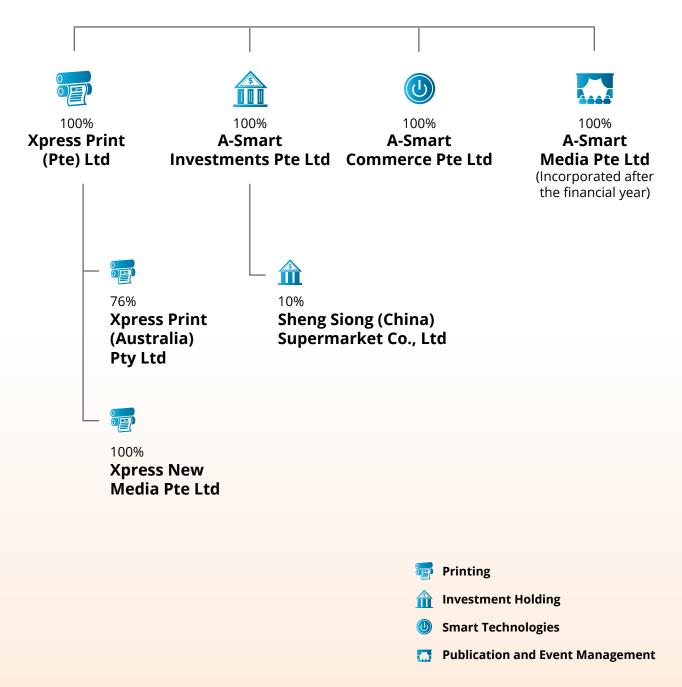
Mr Zhang is the General Manager (Financial Research), responsible for the sales and management of time-sensitive financial research reports as well as promoting them in emerging, fast-growing markets such as the PRC, India and Vietnam. He joined Xpress on 15 September 1997.

Riduwan is well-versed in the business of financial printing in the PRC, having been seconded to the Group's Hong Kong operations in 2004 to explore new markets and understand the financial services business. He has established strong professional relationships with PRC printers.

Riduwan holds a Masters of Science (Information Studies) degree from the Nanyang Technological University and a Bachelor of Business Systems (Honours) from Monash University.

# Corporate Structure







# Operations Review

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Our latest year in review marks the beginning of a new chapter for the Group. Decisive steps were taken to divest loss-making units and plans were put in place to enable the Group to venture into new businesses, including "smart" businesses to allow us to ride the robust digital wave to both boost as well as broaden our income streams and profitability.

Revenue for the Group came mainly from our Printing business in Singapore, which recorded full year revenue of \$\$7.6 million. The Group divested its other printing operations overseas as part of its overall restructuring plan to streamline the Group's businesses.

As the Group intends to expand its printing business to include publishing services, it recently invested in a new high end offset printing machine – which is expected to contribute positively to the Group's future sales turnover.

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#### **Discontinued Operations**

To trim its losses, the Group sold its loss-making subsidiaries during the financial year, namely Xpress Print (Shenzhen) Co. Ltd, Precise Media Group Limited, Xpress Print (K.L.) Sdn Bhd, Xpress Print (H.K.) Limited (collectively, the "Sale companies") and Shenzhen Jiaxingda Printing Co. Ltd ("Available-for-sale Financial Asset"), for a sum of S\$1.0 million (the "Disposal").

As a result of this transaction, the Group recorded a one-off total loss of S\$19.67 million upon the Disposal.

With the disposal of these loss making subsidiaries, the Board is confident the Group will stem future bleeding and improve on its bottom line. The Group has also restructured its business model and taken conscious measures to reduce costs and expenses as well as settle outstanding debt. With the strategic revamp of the Group and the injection of funds from the exercise of share warrants by our Chairman, we are now able to explore and diversify into new areas of business beyond that of traditional printing.

During the year in review, the Group signed a joint venture with the Sheng Siong and Kunming LuChen groups to operate supermarkets in the People's Republic of China. This strategic investment will allow us to ride the robust consumer demand in the world's largest grocery market.

### **Looking Ahead**

In line with our strategy to go "Smart" to enhance our revenue streams and profitability beyond printing, the group is currently finalising the acquisition of 70% of the equity interest of Amplify Me Pte Ltd ("AMPL"). The acquisition will be funded internally. AMPL specializes in development of e-commerce applications, web-portals and online platforms. It is currently one of Spring Singapore's few approved vendors for Point of Sales (POS) and Mobile Menu Ordering



and Payment Systems currently catering to the food and beverage (F&B) sector.

AMPL has been creating customised software for other businesses/industries and overseas markets since 2015. It has established a presence in Thailand and Indonesia by partnering with local distributors and is targeting to expand its business network into the region.

The Board will continue to actively explore any investment opportunities that will lead to more positive investment returns to the Group in the future. With the completion of our restructuring and acquisition, the Group looks forward to brighter prospects – under our new corporate name - A-Smart.



# Corporate Information

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mr Ma Weidong

**Executive Chairman** 

**Mr Lim Huan Chiang** 

Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer

Mr Tseng Te-Lin, Darlington

Non-Executive Director

**Mr Sam Chong Keen** 

Lead Independent Non-Executive Director

Ms Chu Hongtao

Independent Non-Executive Director

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Ms Chu Hongtao (Chairman)
Mr Sam Chong Keen
Mr Tseng Te-Lin, Darlington

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Ms Chu Hongtao (Chairman) Mr Sam Chong Keen Mr Ma Weidong

#### **REMUNERATION COMMITTEE**

Ms Chu Hongtao (Chairman) Mr Sam Chong Keen Mr Ma Weidong

**COMPANY SECRETARY** 

Ms Shirley Tan Sey Liy (ACIS)

#### **REGISTERED OFFICE**

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#### **SHARE REGISTRAR**

Boardroom Corporate & Advisory Services Pte. Ltd. 50 Raffles Place #32-01 Singapore Land Tower Singapore 048623

#### **AUDITORS**

Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation 100 Beach Road, #30-00 Shaw Tower Singapore 189702

#### **AUDIT PARTNER-IN-CHARGE**

Mr Low See Lien (Appointment since financial year ended 31 July 2015)

#### **Principal Bankers**

The Development Bank of Singapore Limited

Malayan Banking Berhad

Company Registration No.: 199902058Z

A-Smart Holdings Ltd. (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Group") are committed to setting in place corporate governance practices to provide the structure through which the objectives of protection of shareholders' interests and enhancement of long term shareholders' value are met.

This report outlines the Group's main corporate governance practices with specific reference made to the Code of Corporate Governance 2012 (the "**Code**") that were in place throughout the financial year or which will be implemented and where appropriate, we have provided explanations for deviation from the Code.

#### **BOARD MATTERS**

#### The Board's Conduct of its Affairs

Principle 1: Every company should be headed by an effective Board to lead and control the company. The Board is collectively responsible for the long-term success of the company. The Board works with Management to achieve this objective and Management remains accountable to the Board.

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") comprises five Directors of whom two are Executive Directors, one is Non-Executive Director and two are Independent Directors. Their combined wealth and diversity of experience enable them to contribute effectively to the strategic growth and governance of the Group.

The principal functions of the Board, apart from its statutory responsibilities, include:

- Provides entrepreneurial leadership and sets the overall strategy and direction of the Group;
- Reviewing and overseeing the management of the Group's business affairs, financial controls, performance and resource allocation;
- Approving the Group's strategic plans, key business initiatives, acquisition and disposal of assets, significant investments and funding decisions and major corporate policies;
- Oversee the processes of risk management, financial reporting and compliance and evaluate the adequacy of internal controls;
- Approving the release of the Group's quarterly and full-year financial results, related party transactions of material nature and the submission of the relevant checklists to the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST");
- Appointing Directors and key management staff, including the review of performance and remuneration packages; and
- Assumes the responsibilities for corporate governance.

All Directors objectively discharge their duties and responsibilities at all times as fiduciaries and take decisions in the interests of the Company. To ensure that specific issues are subject to considerations and review before the Board makes its decisions, the Board has established three Board Committees, namely, the Audit Committee ("AC"), Nominating Committee ("NC") and Remuneration Committee ("RC") (collectively "Board Committees"), which would make recommendations to the Board. These Board Committees operate within clearly defined terms of reference and they play an important role in ensuring good corporate governance in the Company and within the Group. The terms of reference of the Board Committees are reviewed on a regular basis to ensure their continued relevance.

In line with the recent changes of the Companies Act, all references to the Memorandum and Articles of Association and Articles will be superseded with Constitution and Regulation respectively.

The Board meets regularly. During the financial year ended 31 July 2016 ("**FY2016**"), the Board held a total of 4 Board meetings. Ad-hoc meetings are convened when circumstances require. The Company's Constitution (the "**Constitution**") provides for meetings of the Directors to be held by means of telephone conference or other methods of simultaneous communication be electronic or telegraphic means. The Board also approves transactions through circular resolutions which are circulated to the Board together with all relevant information to the proposed transaction.

The frequency of meetings and the attendance of each Director at every Board and Board Committees meetings for FY2016 are disclosed in the table reflected below:

	В	oard	AC		RC		NC		
	No. of	meetings	No. of meetings		ngs No. of meetings No. of meetings No. of meetings		No. of meetings No. of meetings		meetings
Name of Director	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	Held	Attended	
Ma Weidong	4	4	4	*4	1	1	1	1	
Lim Huan Chiang <sup>(1)</sup>	4	3	4	*3	1	0	1	*1	
Darlington Tseng Te-Lin	4	4	4	4	1	0	1	0	
Sam Chong Keen	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	
Chu Hongtao	4	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	

<sup>\*</sup>By invitation

Note:

#### (1) Appointed on 26 October 2015

The Group had adopted a set of internal guidelines setting forth financial authorisation and approval limits for investments, acquisitions and disposals. Transactions falling outside the ordinary course of business and where the value of a transaction exceeds these limits have to be approved by the Board.

The Directors are also updated regularly with changes to the SGX-ST listing rules, risk management, corporate governance, insider trading and the key changes in the relevant regulatory requirements and financial reporting standards and the relevant laws and regulations to facilitate effective discharge of their fiduciary duties as Board or Board Committees members.

New releases issued by the SGX-ST and Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA") which are relevant to the Directors are circulated to the Board. The Company Secretary informed the Directors of upcoming conferences and seminars that are relevant to their roles as Directors of the Company. Annually, the external auditors update the AC and the Board on the new and revised financial reporting standards that are applicable to the Company or the Group.

The Company conducts comprehensive orientation programs for new Directors to familiarise themselves with the Company's structure and organisation, businesses and governance policies. The aim of the orientation program is to give Directors a better understanding of the Company's businesses and allow them to assimilate into their new roles. All Directors who have no prior experience as Director of a listed company will undergo intensive training and briefing on the roles and responsibilities as Director of a listed company.

New Directors are also informed about matters such as the Code of Dealing in the Company's shares. Changes to regulations and accounting standards are monitored closely by the Management. To keep pace with such regulatory changes, the Company provides opportunities for ongoing education on Board processes and best practices as well as updates on changes in legislation and financial reporting standards, regulations and guidelines from SGX-ST that affect the Company and/or the Directors in discharging their duties.

The Company has adopted a policy where Directors are encouraged to make enquiries on any aspects of the Company's operations or business issues from the Management. The Chairman or the Company Secretary will make the necessary arrangements for the briefings, informal discussions or explanations required.

Directors also have the opportunity to visit the Group's operational facilities and meet with the Management to gain a better understanding of the business operations.

A formal letter of appointment would be furnished to every newly-appointed Director upon their appointment explaining, among other matters, their roles, obligations, duties and responsibilities as member of the Board.

#### **BOARD COMPOSITION AND GUIDANCE**

Principle 2: There should be a strong and independent element on the Board, which is able to exercise objective judgement on corporate affairs independently, in particular, from Management and 10% shareholders. No individual or small group of individuals should be allowed to dominate the Board's decision making.

As of the date of this report, the Board comprises the following Directors:

Name of Director	Position held on the Board	AC	NC	RC
Ma Weidong <sup>(1)</sup>	Executive Chairman	-	Member	Member
Lim Huan Chiang <sup>(2)</sup>	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer ("CEO")	-	-	-
Darlington Tseng Te-Lin	Non-Executive Director	Member	-	-
Sam Chong Keen <sup>(3)</sup>	Lead Independent Director	Member	Member	Member
Chu Hongtao <sup>(4)</sup>	Independent Director	Chairman	Chairman	Chairman

#### Notes:

- (1) Appointed as Executive Chairman and CEO on 9 July 2015 and relinquished his role as Chief Executive Officer on 26 October 2015.
- (2) Appointed as Executive Director and CEO on 26 October 2015.
- (3) First appointed as Independent and Non-Executive Director on 5 December 2001 and re-designated as Executive Director and CEO on 16 February 2006. Mr. Sam Chong Keen was re-appointed as Non-Executive and Non-Independent Director on 2008 and re-designated as Independent and Non-Executive Director on 30 November 2012. He was appointed as the Lead Independent Director and Non-Executive Chairman on 29 November 2013 and 19 September 2014 respectively and relinquished as Non-Executive Chairman on 9 July 2015.
- (4) Appointed as Independent Director on 9 July 2015.

The NC and the Board has adopted the Code's criteria of an Independent Director in their review and are of the view that all Independent Directors have satisfied the criteria of independence. There is a strong and independent element as the Independent Directors make up one-third of the Board. Matters requiring the Board's approval are discussed and deliberated with participation from each member of the Board. The decisions are based on collective decision without any individual influencing or dominate the decision making process.

There is no Independent Director who has served on the Board beyond nine years from the date of his first appointment.

The Board regularly examines its size and, with a view to determining the impact of its number upon effectiveness, decides on what it considers an appropriate size for itself taking into account the scope and nature of the Company's operations. The composition of the Board is reviewed annually by the NC to ensure that there is an appropriate mix of expertise and experience to enable Management to benefit from a diverse perspective of issues that are brought before the Board. Together, the Directors as a group provide core competencies in business, investment, legal, audit, accounting and tax matters.

The profiles of the Board are set out in pages 6 and 7 of the Annual Report.

The Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors participate actively during Board meetings. In addition to providing constructive advice to Management on pertinent issues affecting the affairs and business of the Group, they also review Management's performance in meeting goals and objectives of the Group's business segments. The Company has benefited from Management's access to its Directors for guidance and exchange of views both within and outside of the meetings of the Board and Board Committees. The Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors communicate amongst themselves and with the Company's auditors and senior management. Where necessary, the Company co-ordinates informal meetings for Non-Executive Directors and Independent Directors to meet without the presence of the Management.

#### CHAIRMAN AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Principle 3: There should be a clear division of responsibilities between the leadership of the Board and the executives responsible for managing the company's business. No one individual should represent a considerable concentration of power.

The Company practices a clear division of responsibilities between the Chairman and CEO.

Mr. Ma Weidong is the Executive Chairman while Mr. Lim Huan Chiang is the CEO. The CEO is responsible for the overall implementation and management of the Group's day-to-day operation, business strategies and direction and corporate plans and policies.

The Chairman ensures that Board members are provided with complete, adequate and timely information. The Chairman ensures that procedures are introduced to comply with the Code and ensures effective communications within the Board and with the shareholders.

The responsibilities of the Chairman include:

- (1) Scheduling of meetings to enable the Board to perform its duties responsibly while not interfering with the flow of the Group's operations;
- (2) Ensuring that Directors receive accurate, timely and clear information, and ensuring effective communication with shareholders;
- (3) Ensuring the Group's compliance with the Code; and
- (4) Acting in the best interest of the Group and of the shareholders.

The Company Secretary may be called to assist the Chairman in any of the above.

All major decisions made by the Board are subject to majority approval of the Board. The Board believes that there are adequate safeguards in place to ensure an appropriate balance of power and authority within the spirit of good corporate governance.

The Board had appointed Mr. Sam Chong Keen as the Lead Independent Director with effect from 29 November 2013 to co-ordinate and to lead the Independent Directors to provide a non-executive perspective and contribute to a balance of viewpoints on the Board. He is the main liaison on Board issues. He is available to shareholders where they have concerns which contact through the normal channels of the Group Financial Controller has failed to resolve or is inappropriate.

The Independent Directors, led by the Lead Independent Director, meet amongst themselves without the presence of the other Directors, where necessary and feedback would be provided after such meetings.

#### **BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

Principle 4: There should be a formal and transparent process for the appointment and re-appointment of directors to the Board.

The NC comprises the following members:

#### **Nominating Committee**

Ms. Chu Hongtao (Chairman)

Mr. Sam Chong Keen Mr. Ma Weidong

The NC has adopted written terms of reference defining its membership, administration and duties. Some of the duties and responsibilities of the NC include:

- a. to make recommendations to the Board on all Board appointments having regard to the Director's contribution and performance;
- b. determining annually whether or not a Director is independent; and
- c. deciding whether a Director is able to and has adequately carried out his duties as a Director of the Company in particular where the Director concerned has multiple board representations.

The NC makes recommendations to the Board on the matters relating to:

- a. Appointment and re-appointment of Directors;
- b. Appointment of Chairman and CEO;
- c. The effectiveness of the Board as a whole; and
- d. The NC shall have the right to appoint such consultants as it deems necessary during a search for new Directors.

The NC meets at least once a year. Pursuant to the Company's Constitution, one-third of the Board to retire by rotation at every AGM. Directors who retire are eligible to offer themselves for re-election.

All Directors submit themselves for re-nomination and re-election at regular intervals of at least once every three years. The Company's regulation requires one-third of the Board to retire and submit themselves for re-election by shareholders at each Annual General Meeting ("AGM"). In addition, the Company's Constitution provides that every new Director must retire and submit themselves for re-election at the next AGM of the Company following his appointment during the year.

The dates of initial appointment and last re-election of each Director are set out below:

Name of Director	Position held on the Board	Date of first to the Board appointment	Date of last re- election as Director
Ma Weidong <sup>(1)</sup>	Executive Chairman	9 July 2015	22 January 2016
Lim Huan Chiang <sup>(2)</sup>	Executive Director and CEO	26 October 2015	22 January 2016
Darlington Tseng Te-Lin <sup>(3)</sup>	Non-Executive Director	1 March 2008	22 January 2016
Sam Chong Keen <sup>(4)</sup>	Lead Independent Director	5 December 2001	17 February 2015
Chu Hongtao <sup>(5)</sup>	Independent Director	9 July 2015	22 January 2016

#### Notes:

- (1) Appointed as Executive Chairman and CEO on 9 July 2015 and relinquished his role as CEO on 26 October 2015.
- (2) Appointed as Executive Director and CEO on 26 October 2015.
- (3) First appointed as Independent and Non-Executive Director on 5 December 2001 and redesignated as Executive Director and CEO on 16 February 2006. Mr. Sam Chong Keen was re-appointed as Non-Executive and Non-Independent Director on 2008 and redesignated as Independent and Non-Executive Director on 30 November 2012. He was appointed as the Lead Independent Director and Non-Executive Chairman on 29 November 2013 and 19 September 2014 respectively and relinquished as Non-Executive Chairman on 9 July 2015.
- (4) Appointed as Independent Director on 9 July 2015.

Despite some of the Directors having other Board representations, the NC is satisfied that these Directors are able to and have adequately carried out their duties as Directors of the Company. Currently, the Board has not determined the maximum number of listed Board representations which any Director may hold. The NC and the Board will review the requirement to determine the maximum number of listed Board representations as and when it deemed fits.

The Company has in place, policies and procedures for the appointment of new Directors, including the description on the search and nomination procedures. Each member of the NC shall abstain from voting on any resolutions and making recommendations and/or participating in any deliberations of the NC in respect of his re-nomination as a Director.

The NC has recommended to the Board that Mr. Ma Weidong and Mr. Sam Chong Keen be nominated for re-election at the forthcoming AGM, who are retiring at the coming AGM. The Board had accepted the recommendation and the retiring Directors will be offering themselves for re-election.

There is no alternate director being appointed to the Board during the financial year under review.

For the financial year under review, the NC is of the view that the Independent Directors of the Company are independent (as defined in the Code) and are able to exercise judgement on the corporate affairs of the Group and independent of the Management.

The key information regarding Directors, such as academic and professional qualifications, Board Committees served, directorships or chairmanships both present and past held over the preceding three years in other listed companies and other major appointments, whether the appointment is executive or non-executive are set out in page 32 of the Annual Report.

#### **BOARD PERFORMANCE**

Principle 5: There should be a formal annual assessment of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole and its board committees and the contribution by each Director to the effectiveness of the Board.

The NC assesses the performance and effectiveness of the Board and the contribution of individual Directors. The assessment process involves evaluation against a set of objective, quantitative and qualitative performance criteria. The performance criteria includes the evaluation of the size and composition of the Board, Director access to information, Board accountability and performance against set targets, objectives and expected standards of conduct, and financial targets such as return on assets, return on equity and the Company's share price performance. The Board, however, notes that the financial indicators provide only a snapshot of the Company's performance, and do not fully reflect on- going risk or measure the sustainable long-term wealth and value creation of the Company.

The Board and the NC have endeavoured to ensure that Directors appointed to the Board possess the experience, knowledge and expertise critical to the Group's business.

The NC has recommended the adoption of the formal annual evaluation form for the Board Committees to further enhance the effectiveness of the Board Committees. The Board has accepted the NC's recommendation and the formal annual evaluation form for the Board Committees would be adopted with effect from the financial year ending 31 July 2017.

Although the Directors and the Board Committees are not evaluated individually, the factors taken into consideration with regards to the re-nomination of Directors are based on their attendance and contributions made at the Board and Board Committees meetings.

#### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

Principle 6: In order to fulfill their responsibilities, directors should be provided with complete, adequate and timely information prior to board meetings and on an on-going basis so as to enable them to make informed decisions to discharge their duties and responsibilities.

The Management provides the Board with adequate and timely information as well as a review of the Group's performance prior to the Board meetings. All Directors have separate and independent access to the Group's senior management and Company Secretary, should they have any queries on the affairs of the Group. Independent Directors and Non-Executive Directors can and do visit various operational sites often with little warning. Independent Directors have spoken to select customers, suppliers and middle management staff. Independent Directors also meet the professional advisers of the Company both with and without Management.

Should the Directors, whether as a group or individually, require independent professional advice, the Company will bear the expenses incurred if such advice is required to enable the Directors to discharge their duties professionally.

Prior to each Board and Board Committees meeting, notice of meeting is issued to the Board and Board Committees members containing information on the agenda and documents to be reviewed. The Company Secretary or her representative administers and attends all Board and Board Committees meetings and is responsible for ensuring the Board procedures are followed and that applicable rules and regulations (in particular the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and the SGX-ST Listing rules) are complied with. The appointment and removal of the Company Secretary is subject to the approval of the Board.

#### **REMUNERATION MATTERS**

#### **Procedures for Developing Remuneration Policies**

Principle 7: There should be a formal and transparent procedure for developing policy on executive remuneration and for fixing the remuneration packages of individual directors. No director should be involved in deciding his own remuneration.

The Group's remuneration policy is to provide compensation packages at market rates which reward successful performance and attract, retain and motivate Directors and key management executives.

The RC comprises the following members:

#### **Remuneration Committee**

Ms. Chu Hongtao (Chairman)

Mr. Sam Chong Keen Mr. Ma Weidong

A majority of the RC comprised of independent directors. In discharging their duties, the members have access to advice from the internal human resources personnel, and if required, advice from external experts.

The RC recommends to the Board a framework for the remuneration for the Board and key executives and to determine specific remuneration packages for each Executive Director which is based on transparency and accountability.

The RC has adopted written terms of reference defining its membership, administration and duties. The duties and responsibilities of the RC include:

- a) recommending to the Board a framework of remuneration for the Board and key executives;
- b) recommending to the Board a framework of remuneration for the Board and key executives; determining specific remuneration packages which should cover all aspects of remuneration including but not limited to Directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses, options and benefits-in-kind for each Executive Director, the CEO and senior management including but not limited to senior executives, divisional Directors and those reporting directly to the Managing Director, Chairman, CEO and employees related to the Executive Directors and controlling shareholders of the Group;
- c) reviewing and recommending to the Board the terms of renewal of service contracts of Directors;
- d) administering the Company's Executive Share Option Scheme;
- e) appointing or retaining such professional consultancy firm as the RC may deem necessary to enable it to discharge its duties hereunder satisfactory; and
- f) considering the various disclosure requirements for Directors' remuneration, particularly those required by regulatory bodies such as the SGX-ST, and ensuring that there is adequate disclosure in the financial statements to ensure and enhance transparency between the Company and relevant interested parties.

The RC recommends, in consultation with the Chairman of the Board, a framework of remuneration policies for key executives and Directors serving on the Board and Board Committees, and determines specifically the remuneration package for each Executive Director of the Company. The RC covers all aspects of remuneration including but not limited to Directors' fees, salaries, allowances, bonuses, share options performance shares and benefits in kind. In addition, the RC also reviews the remuneration of senior management.

The RC's recommendations are submitted to the entire Board. Each member of the RC shall abstain from voting on any resolutions and making any recommendations and/or participating in any deliberations of the RC in respect of his remuneration package. No Director will be involved in determining his own remuneration.

The RC administers the Executives' Share Option Scheme 2001 for the Company's executive, including its Directors and employees (the "**Scheme**"). The Scheme will provide eligible participants with an opportunity to participate in the equity of the Company and to motivate them towards better performance through increased dedication and loyalty.

The RC has full authority to engage any external professional advice on matters relating to remuneration as and when the need arises. The expense of such services shall be borne by the Company.

In reviewing the service agreements of the Executive Directors and key executives of the Company, the RC will review the Company's obligations arising in the event of termination of these service agreements, to ensure that such service agreements contain fair and reasonable termination clauses which are not overly generous. The RC aims to be fair and avoid rewarding poor performance.

#### Level and Mix of Remuneration

Principle 8: The level and structure of remuneration should be aligned with the long-term interest and risk policies of the company, and should be appropriate to attract, retain and motivate (a) the directors to provide good stewardship of the company and (b) key management personnel to successfully manage the Company. However, companies should avoid paying more than is necessary for this purpose.

In setting remuneration packages, the Company takes into consideration the remuneration packages and employment conditions within the industry as well the Group's relative performance and the performance of its individual Directors.

The Independent Directors are paid Directors' fees taking into account factors such as the effort and time spent and the scope of responsibilities of the Directors. The Independent Directors and Non-Executive Directors shall not be over-compensated to the extent that their independence may be compromised. Directors' fees are endorsed by the RC and recommended by the Board for approval at the Company's AGM.

The Executive Directors do not receive Directors' fees. The remuneration packages of the Executive Directors and the key management personnel comprises primarily a basic salary component and a variable component which is the bonuses and other benefits.

The Company does not use contractual provisions to allow the Company to reclaim incentive components of remuneration from Executive Directors and key management personnel in exceptional circumstances of misstatement of financial results, or of misconduct resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Executive Directors owe a fiduciary duty to the Company. The Company should be able to avail itself to remedies against the Executive Directors in the event of such breach of fiduciary duties.

#### **DISCLOSURE ON REMUNERATION**

Principle 9: Each company should provide clear disclosure of its remuneration policies, level and mix of remuneration, and the procedure for setting remuneration in the Company's Annual Report. It should provide disclosure in relation to its remuneration policies to enable investors to understand the link between remuneration paid to directors and key management personnel, and performance.

A breakdown showing the level and mix of each Director and key management personnel for FY2016 are as follows:

#### **Directors**

Names	Salary	Bonus	Directors' Fees	Total
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)
S\$250,000 to S\$500,000				
Lim Huan Chiang <sup>(1)</sup>	100	-	-	100
Below \$\$250,000				
Ma Weidong <sup>(2)</sup>	-	-	-	-
Chu Hongtao	-	-	100	100
Sam Chong Keen	-	-	100	100
Darlington Tseng Te-Lin	-	-	100	100

#### **Relevant Key Management Personnel of the Company**

	Salary %	Bonus %	Allowances and Other Benefits	Total %
S\$250,000 to S\$500,000				
Fong Kah Kuen <sup>(3)</sup>	100	-	-	100
Below \$\$250,000				
Yo Ngan Kia	100	-	-	100
Foong Sow Peng	100	-	-	100
Fong Sau Kwan	100	-	-	100
Riduwan Zhang	100	-	-	100

#### Notes:

- (1) Appointed on 26 October 2015
- (2) Mr. Ma Weidong was not paid any remuneration or director's fee for FY2016
- (3) Resigned on 31 March 2016

The aggregate total remuneration paid to the Relevant Key Management Personnel (who are not Directors or the CEO) amounted to S\$1,069,000. In FY2016, there were no terminations, retirement or post-employment benefits granted to Directors and Relevant Key Management Personnel other than the standard contractual notice period termination payment in lieu of service.

Given the highly competitive industry conditions the Group operates in and in the interest of confidentiality of remuneration matters, the Board is of the opinion that it is in the best interests of the Group not to disclose the exact remuneration of Directors and key management personnel in Annual Report.

#### **Immediate Family Member of Directors or Substantial Shareholders**

There were no employees who are immediate family members of directors or substantial shareholders whose remuneration exceeds \$\$50,000 in the Company's employment during FY2016.

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT**

#### **Accountability**

Principle 10: The Board should present a balanced and understandable assessment of the company's performance, position and prospects.

One of the Board's principal duties is to enhance and protect the long-term value and returns to the shareholders of the Company. The accountability of the Board to the shareholders is demonstrated through the presentation of the periodic financial statements, including powerpoint presentations, as well as the timely announcements and news releases of significant corporate developments and activities so that the shareholders can have a detailed explanation and balanced assessment of the Group's financial position and prospects.

Management presents to the AC the interim and full-year results. The AC reviews the results and recommends them to the Board for approval. The Board approves the results and authorizes the release of the results to the SGX-ST and the public via SGXNET as required by SGX-ST Listing Manual.

In line with the requirements of SGX-ST, negative assurance confirmations on interim financial results were issued by the Board confirming that to the best of its knowledge, nothing had come to the attention of the Board which may render the Company's quarterly results to be false or misleading in any material aspect.

The Management maintains regular contact and communication with the Board by various means including the preparation and circulation to all Board members of quarterly and full year financial statements of the Group. This allows the Board to monitor the Group's performance and position as well as the Management's achievements of the goals and objectives determined and set by the Board.

#### **Risk Management and Internal Controls**

Principle 11: The Board is responsible for the governance of risk. The Board should ensure that the management maintains a sound system of risk management and internal controls to safeguard the shareholders' interests and the company's assets, and should determine the nature and extent of the significant risks which the Board is willing to take in achieving its strategic objectives.

The Board is responsible for the overall internal control framework, but acknowledges that no cost-effective internal control system will preclude all errors and irregularities. The system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss. The controls in place provide that the assets are safe, regardless of operational and business risks are suitably addressed and proper accounting records are maintained. The AC has reviewed the effectiveness of the internal control system put in place by the management and is satisfied that there are adequate internal controls in the Company.

The external auditors provide feedbacks to the AC highlighting matters that require the attention of the Management. The AC keeps under review the effectiveness of the Group's system of accounting and internal financial controls, for which the directors are responsible.

The Directors have received the assurance from the CEO and Group Financial Controller and the Management of the business units in relation to the financial information for the year. Material associates and joint ventures which the Company does not control are not dealt with for the purposes of this statement. The Chief Executive Officer and Group Financial Controller have assured the Board that:

- (a) The financial records have been properly maintained and the financial statements for the FY2016 give a true and fair view in all material respects, of the Company's operations and finances; and
- (b) The Group's internal control systems are operating effectively in all material aspects given its current business environment.

Based on the internal controls established and maintained by the Group, work performed by the external auditors and reviews performed by the Management, the Board with the concurrence of the AC, is of the opinion that the Group's risk management system and internal controls are adequate in addressing the financial, operational, compliance and information technology control risks of the Group as at 31 July 2016.

#### **Audit Committee**

Principle 12: The Board should establish an Audit Committee with written terms of reference which clearly set out its authority and duties.

The AC comprises the following members:

#### **Audit Committee**

Ms. Chu Hongtao (Chairman)

Mr. Sam Chong Keen

Mr. Darlington Tseng Te-Lin

The Board is of the view that the members of the AC are appropriately qualified in that they have sufficient accounting or related financial management expertise and experiences to discharge the AC's function.

The AC comprise of members who have sufficient experience in finance and business fields.

The role of the AC is to assist the Board with discharging its responsibility to safeguard the Company's assets, maintain adequate accounting records and develop and maintain effective systems of internal control.

The terms of reference of the AC is in accordance with the guidelines recommended in the guidebook by the Audit Committee Guidance Committee released in October 2008.

The AC has adopted written terms of reference defining its membership, administration and duties. Duties and responsibilities of the AC include:

- a) review with external auditors the audit plan, their evaluation of the Group's system of internal accounting controls, their letter to Management and Management's responses;
- b) review the interim and annual financial statements and statement of Financial Position and income statements before submission to the Board for approval, focusing in particular on changes in accounting policies and practices, major risk areas, significant adjustments resulting from the audit, compliance with accounting standards and compliance with the Listing Manual and any other relevant statutory or regulatory requirements;

- c) review the scope and results of the audit and its cost effectiveness and the independence and objectivity of the external auditors. Where the auditors also provide a substantial volume of non-audit services to the Company, the AC would keep the nature and extent of such services under review, seeking to balance the maintenance of objectivity and value for money;
- d) review the internal control procedures and ensure co-ordination between the external auditors and Management, and review the assistance given by our Management to the auditors, and discuss problems and concerns, if any, arising from the interim and final audits, and any matters which the auditors may wish to discuss in the absence of our Management at least annually;
- e) review and discuss with the external auditors any suspected fraud or irregularity, or suspected infringement of any relevant laws, rules or regulations, which has or is likely to have a material impact on our Group's operating results or financial position, and our Management's response;
- f) consider the appointment or re-appointment of the external auditors and matters relating to the resignation or dismissal of the auditors;
- g) review interested person transactions (if any) falling within the scope of Chapter 9 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST;
- h) review potential conflicts of interest, if any;
- i) undertake such other reviews and projects as may be requested by the Board, and will report to the Board its findings from time to time on matters arising and requiring the attention of the AC; and
- j) Generally undertake such other functions and duties as may be required by statute or the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST, or by such amendments as may be made thereto from time to time.

The AC has the explicit authority to investigate any matter within its terms of reference and full access to and cooperation by the Group's Management. It has the discretion to invite any Director or member of the Group's Management to its meetings. The AC has been given reasonable resources to enable it to discharge its functions properly.

Where, by virtue of any vacancy in the membership of the AC for any reason, the number of members is reduced to less than 3, the Board shall, within 3 months thereafter, appoint such number of new members to the AC.

Apart from the duties listed above, the AC shall commission and review the findings of internal investigations into matters where there is any suspected fraud or irregularity, or failure of internal controls or infringement of any Singapore law, rule or regulation which has or is likely to have a material impact on our Group's operating results and/or financial position. Each member of the AC shall abstain from voting on any resolutions and making any recommendations and/or participating in any deliberations of the AC in respect of matters in which he is interested.

The AC meets with the external auditors, Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation ("Nexia"), separately without the presence of the Management and has reviewed all non-audit services provided by the external auditors to the Group. For the financial year under review, there were no fees paid/payable to the external auditors for non-audit services for the financial year ended 31 July 2016. Audit fees paid/payable to the external auditors of the Company amounted to \$105,000 (2015:\$170,000) for FY2016.

The AC has also reviewed and confirmed that Nexia is a suitable firm to meet the Company's audit obligations having regard to the adequacy of resources and experience of the firm and the assigned audit engagement partner, Nexia's other audit engagements, size and complexity of the A-Smart Group, member and experience of supervisory and professional staff assigned to the audit. Accordingly, the AC has recommended to the Board the re-appointment of Nexia, as external auditors for the financial year ending 31 July 2017 at the forthcoming AGM of the Company. Therefore, the Company has complied with Rule 712 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

The Group has complied with Rule 715 of the Listing Manual in relation to its auditing firms. Nexia has been engaged to audit the accounts of the Company and all its Singapore incorporated subsidiaries.

#### Whistle blowing policy

In accordance with the Code, the AC has in place a whistle-blowing policy to provide arrangements whereby concerns on financial improprieties or other matters raised by whistle-blowers may be investigated and appropriate follow up action taken. Under such whistle-blowing procedures, employees are free to submit complaints confidentially or anonymously to the Chairman of the AC who was well known to many employees and easily accessible. All complaints are to be treated as confidential and are to be brought to the attention of the AC. Assessment, investigation and evaluation of complaints are conducted by or at the direction of the AC. If it deems appropriate, independent advisors are engaged at the Group's expense. Following investigation and evaluation of a complaint, the AC will then decide on recommended disciplinary or remedial action, if any. The action so determined by the AC to be appropriate shall then be brought to the Board or to the appropriate senior executive staff for authorisation or implementation respectively.

As of to-date, there were no reports received through the whistle-blowing mechanism.

The AC is kept updated annually or from time to time on any changes to the accounting and financial reporting standards by the external auditors. No former partner or director of the Company's existing auditing firm has acted as a member of the AC.

#### **Internal Audit**

# Principle 13: The Company should establish an effective internal audit function that is adequately resourced and independent of the activities it audits.

The Board supports the need of an internal audit function that is adequately resources and independent of the activities it audits to maintain an internal controls system and processes. The internal auditor team is expected to meet the standards set by nationally or internationally recognized professional bodied including the Standards for the professional Practice of Internal Auditing of the Institute of Internal Auditors.

During the financial year under review, the Company did not have in place an internal audit function due to cashflow constraints and business restructuring of the Group. The Board will look into the possibility of outsourcing its internal audit function to a qualified professional as and when is appropriate. Such qualified professionals when engaged, will report directly to the AC on audit matter and report administratively to the Chairman.

The AC is satisfied that the effectiveness of the existing internal control systems put in place by the Management with the assistance of the external auditors is adequate.

The AC would annually review the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control systems of the Company.

#### **COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS**

#### **SHAREHOLDER RIGHTS**

Principle 14: Companies should treat all shareholders fairly and equitably, and should recognize, protect and facilitate the exercise of shareholders' rights, and continually review and update such governance arrangements.

The Company does not practise selective disclosure. In line with the continuous obligations of the Company under the SGX-ST Listing Manual and the Companies Act, Chapter 50, the Board's policy is that all shareholders should equally and on a timely basis be informed of all major developments that impact the Group via SGXNet.

Shareholders are informed of general meetings through the announcement released to the SGXNet and notices contained in the Annual Report or circulars sent to all shareholders. These notices are also advertised in a national newspaper. All shareholders are entitled to attend the general meetings and are provided the opportunity to participate in the general meetings. If any shareholder is unable to attend, he/ she is allowed to appoint up to two proxies to vote on his/her behalf at the general meeting through proxy forms sent in advance. The Company's current Constitution does not include the nominee or custodial services to appoint more than two proxies.

On 3 January 2016, the legislation was amended, among other things to allow certain members, defined as "Relevant Intermediary" to attend and participate in general meetings without being constrained by the two-proxy requirement. Relevant Intermediary includes corporations holding licenses in providing nominee and custodial services and CPF Board which purchases shares on behalf of the CPF investors.

Principle 15: Companies should actively engage their shareholders and put in place an investor relations policy to promote regular, effective and fair communication with shareholders.

The Company believes in high standards of transparent corporate disclosure and is committed to disclose to its shareholders, the information in a timely and fair manner via SGXNet. Where there is inadvertent disclosure made to a selected Group, the Company will make the same disclosure publicly to all others as soon as practicable. Communication is mainly made through:-

- Annual report that are prepared and sent to all shareholders. The Board ensures that the annual report includes all relevant material information about the Company and the Group, including future developments and other disclosures required by the Singapore Companies Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards;
- Quarterly announcements containing a summary of the financial information and affairs of the Group for that period;
- Notices of explanatory memoranda for AGMs and Extraordinary General Meetings ("**EGMs**"). The notice of AGM and EGM are also advertised in a national newspaper;

The Company's website at www.a-smart.sg at which our shareholders can access financial information, corporate announcements, press releases, annual reports and profile of the Group.

By supplying shareholders with reliable and timely information, the Company is able to strengthen the relationship with its shareholders based on trust and accessibility. The Company has a team of investor relations (IR) personnel who focus on facilitating the communications with all stakeholders – shareholders, analysts and media – on a regular basis, to attend to their queries or concerns as well as to keep the investors public apprised of the Group's corporate developments and financial performance.

The Company does not practice selective disclosure. Price-sensitive information is first publicly released through SGX-Net, either before the Company meets with any investors or analysts. All shareholders of the Company will receive the annual report with an accompanying notice of AGM by post. The notice of AGM is also published in the newspaper within the mandatory period, the AGM of which is to be held within four months after the close of the financial year.

The Group does not have a concrete dividend policy at present. The form, frequency and amount of dividends declared each year will take into consideration the Group's profit growth, cash position, positive cash flow generated from operations, projected capital requirements for business growth and other factors as the Board may deem appropriate.

Dividends were not declared or paid for FY2016 in order to conserve cash and to ensure that there are adequate resources for the Company's business.

#### **CONDUCT OF SHAREHOLDER MEETING**

Principle 16: Companies should encourage greater shareholder participation at general meetings of shareholders, and allow shareholders the opportunity to communicate their views on various matters affecting the company.

The shareholders are encouraged to attend the Company's general meetings to ensure a high level of accountability and to stay informed of the Group's strategies and growth plans. Notice of the general meeting is dispatched to shareholders, together with explanatory notes or a circular on items of special businesses (if necessary), at least 14 clear calendar days before the meeting. The Board welcomes questions from shareholders who wish to raise issues, either informally or formally before or during the general meetings.

Each item of special business included in the notice of the general meetings will be accompanied by explanation of the effects of a proposed resolution. Separate resolutions are proposed for each substantially separate issue at general meetings.

The Chairman of the AC, NC and RC are normally present and available to address questions relating to the work of their respective Board Committees at general meetings. Furthermore, the external auditors are present to assist the Board in addressing any relevant queries raised by the shareholders.

The Company shall adhere to the requirements of the code where all resolutions are to be voted by poll for general meetings held on or after 1 August 2015.

#### **DEALINGS IN SECURITIES**

In compliance with Rule 1207(19) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual, the Company had adopted a Code of Best Practices to provide guidance to its officers on securities transactions by the Company and its officers.

The Company and its officers are not allowed to deal in the Company's shares during the period commencing two weeks before the announcement of the Company's financial results for each of the first three quarters of its financial year, and one month before the announcement of the Company's full year financial results, and ending on the date of the announcement of the relevant results.

Directors and executives are also expected to observe insider trading laws at all times even when dealine with securities within the permitted trading period or when they are in possession of unpublished price sensitive information and they are not to deal in the Company's securities on short-term considerations.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Company is continually reviewing and improving the business and operational activities to take into account the risk management perspective. This includes reviewing management and manpower resources, updating work flows, processes and procedures to meet the current and future market conditions.

#### **MATERIAL CONTRACTS**

The material contracts of the Company or its subsidiaries involving the interest of any Director or controlling shareholders subsisting as at the financial year ended 31 July 2016 are as follows:

	The G	iroup	The Company	
	2016	2016 2015		2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Ma Weidong				
Loan by the Director/ Shareholder to the Company	-	552	-	552

The loan from Mr. Ma Weidong in the previous financial year was unsecured, interest-free and has no fixed terms of repayment.

#### INTERESTED PERSON TRANSACTIONS

The Company has adopted an interested person transaction policy which specifies that all interested transactions with an interested person, as defined in the policy, will be at arm's length and on terms generally available to an unaffiliated third party under the same or similar circumstances.

There were no interested party transactions between the Company and any of its interested persons (namely, Directors, executive officers or controlling shareholders of the Group or the associates of such Directors, executive officers or controlling shareholders) subsisting for the year ended 31 July 2016.

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

The Company received net proceeds from the placement of shares in FY2015 and exercise of warrants in FY2016. As at 31 July 2016, the net proceeds that have been utilised are as follows:

	Share Placement <sup>(1)</sup> (S\$'000)	Exercise of warrants <sup>(1)</sup> (S\$'000)	Total (S\$'000)
Net proceeds received	7,700	5,100	12,800
Use of proceeds			
Professional and administrative fees in relation to the Placement/warrants exercised	(425)	(59)	(484)
Loans from financial institutions	(1,668)		(1,668)
Long and outstanding trade creditors	(1,217)		(1,217)
Claims from landlord	(568)		(568)
Repayment of loan from Investor/major shareholder	(1,097)	(750)	(1,847)
Working capital requirements:	(2,725)	(3,755)	(6,480)
Rental arrears	(84)		(84)
IRAS	(186)		(186)
Outstanding staff salaries	(459)		(459)
Trade and other payables	(1,996)	(1,012)	(3,008)
Corporate expenses (legal, professional and compliance fees)		(866)	(866)
Share capital of newly incorporated subsidiary corporations		(1,877)	(1,877)
Balance proceeds as at 31 July 2016	Nil	536	536

The above use of proceeds is in accordance with the intended use as stated in the circular dated 24 June 2015.

#### Notes:

(1) The Company allotted and issued 1,100,000,000 placement shares at an issue price of \$\$0.007 per placement share and 2,200,000,000 unlisted and detachable free warrants, each carrying the right to subscribe for one new share at the exercise price of \$0.007 (the "Share Placement") to the Board Chairman, Mr Ma Weidong on 20 July 2015.

PARTICULARS OF DIRECTORS PURSUANT TO THE CODE OF CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

Name of Director	Board Appointment Executive/ Non-executive	Board Committees as Chairman or Member	Directorship Date First Appointed	Date of Last Re-election	Directorships in Other Listed Companies and Other Major Appointments	Past Directorships in Other Listed Companies and Other Major Appointments Over the Preceding 3 Years
Mr. Sam Chong Keen	Lead Independent Director	Board Member, Member of Audit Committee, Member of Nominating Committee and Member of Remuneration/Committee	5 December 2001 <sup>(1)</sup>	17 February 2015	<ul> <li>Stamford Tyres         Corporation Ltd     </li> <li>Lion Asiapac Ltd</li> </ul>	-
Mr. Darlington Tseng Te-Lin	Non-Executive Director	Board Member and Member of Audit Committee	1 March 2008	22 January 2016	-	-
Mr. Ma Weidong	Executive Chairman	Board Member, Member of Nominating Committee and Member of Remuneration	9 July 2015	22 January 2016	<ul> <li>Kunming         Tianlongrun             Sugar, Tobacco             and Wine Co.,             Ltd             Kunming Luchen             Group Co., Ltd     </li> </ul>	1
Ms. Chu Hongtao	Independent Director	Board Member, Chairman of Audit Committee, Chairman of Nominating Committee and Chairman of Remuneration Committee	9 July 2015	22 January 2016	-	
Mr. Lim Huan Chiang	Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	Board Member	26 October 2015	22 January 2016	-	

Executive Director on 30 November 2012. He was appointed as the Lead Independent Director and Non-Executive Chairman on 29 November 2013 and 19 September 2014 respectively and relinquished as Non-Executive Chairman on 9 July 2015. First appointed as Independent and Non-Executive Director on 5 December 2001 and re-designated as Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer on 16 February 2006. Mr. Sam Chong Keen was re-appointed as Non-Executive and Non-Independent Director on 2008 and re-designated as Independent and Non-

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## Directors' Statement

For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

The directors present their statement to the members together with the audited consolidated financial statements of A-Smart Holdings Ltd (formerly known as Xpress Holdings Ltd) (the "Company") and its subsidiary corporations (collectively known as the "Group") for the financial year ended 31 July 2016 and the statement of financial position of the Company as at 31 July 2016.

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the statement of financial position of the Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group as set out on pages F-09 to F-64 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and of the Group as at 31 July 2016 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year covered by the consolidated financial statements; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

#### **DIRECTORS**

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

Ma Weidong Lim Huan Chiang (appointed on 26 October 2015) Chu Hongtao Sam Chong Keen Darlington Tseng Te-Lin

#### ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any time during the financial year was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects was to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Company or any other body corporate, other than as disclosed below.

#### **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES**

(a) According to the register of directors' shareholdings, none of the directors holding office at the end of the financial year had any interest in the shares or debentures of the Company or its related corporations, except as follows:

	Holdings in the name of the	e director or nominee
	At 1.8.15	At
	or date of appointment, if later	31.7.16
The Company		
(No. of ordinary shares)		
Ma Weidong	27,853,000	46,067,000
Lim Huan Chiang	725,000	725,000
Darlington Tseng Te-Lin	278,825	278,825

## **DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES (CONT'D)**

- (b) By virtue of Section 7 of the Companies Act, Mr Ma Weidong with the above shareholdings is deemed to have interests in all the subsidiary corporations of the Group.
- (c) There were no changes in any of the above mentioned interests in the Company between the end of the financial year and 21 August 2016.

#### **SHARE OPTIONS**

#### **EXECUTIVES' SHARE OPTION SCHEME**

- (a) Pursuant to the approval by the members of the Company at the Extraordinary General Meeting ("EGM") held on 25 June 2001, the Company adopted the Executives' Share Option Scheme 2001 (the "SOS"). The SOS had expired on its 10th anniversary on 25 June 2011 as the Company did not seek a renewal mandate from the shareholders which was a requirement under the Terms and Conditions of the SOS.
- (b) According to the revised Terms of Reference of the Remuneration Committee ("RC"), the SOS is administered by the RC. The members of the RC are as follows:

Chu Hongtao (Chairman) Sam Chong Keen Ma Weidong

(c) The number of options available under the SOS shall not exceed 15% of the total issued shares of the Company on the day preceding the relevant date of grant.

Options granted under the SOS to full-time employees and executive directors of the Group shall be subject to an option period of 10 years, commencing from the date of grant and expiring on the day immediately preceding the 10th anniversary of the date of grant. The non-executive directors of the Group shall be subject to an option period of 5 years commencing from the date of grant and expiring on the day immediately preceding the 5th anniversary of the date of grant. The options are exercisable on the first anniversary of the date of grant. Unissued ordinary shares of the Company under options that were issued are as follows:

		Cancelled/			
Date of grant	Balance at 1.8.2015	lapsed/ forfeited during the year	Balance at 31.7.2016	Exercise price	Expiry date
04.12.2006	22,500	-	22,500	S\$6.25	03.12.2016
01.03.2007	75,000	-	75,000	S\$5.78	28.02.2017
	97,500	-	97,500		

At 31 July 2016, 97,500 (2015: 97,500) share options were exercisable.

The weighted average remaining contractual life of share options outstanding at 31 July 2016 is 0.5 (2015 – 1.5) years.

## Directors' **Statement**

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## **SHARE OPTIONS (CONT'D)**

## **EXECUTIVES' SHARE OPTION SCHEME (CONT'D)**

(d) The following table summarises the information on the options granted under the Scheme to Directors and Participants as required to be disclosed under the SGX Listing Manual Rules (the "Rules"):

Name of participants	Aggregate options granted during the effective period of the SOS	Aggregate options cancelled/ forfeited/ lapsed during the financial year	Aggregate options outstanding at end of the financial year
Participants who received 5% or more of total available options other than directors			
Eleanor Fong Sau Kwan	50,000	-	50,000
Foong Sow Peng	25,000	-	25,000
Sub-total	75,000	-	75,000
Participants who received 5% or less of total available options other than directors			
Other employees	22,500	-	22,500
Sub-total	22,500	-	22,500
Total	97,500	-	97,500

- (e) These options do not entitle the holder to participate, by virtue of such holdings, to any right to participate in any share issue of any other corporation. Except as disclosed above, there were no unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiary corporations under options granted by the Company at the end of the financial year.
- (f) No shares were issued during the financial year to which this statement relates by virtue of the exercise of the options to take up unissued shares of the Company or any subsidiary corporation.

Except as disclosed above, there were no unissued shares of the Company or its subsidiary corporations under options granted by the Company at the end of the financial year.

## Directors' Statement

For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

#### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The Audit Committee ("AC") comprises the following non-executive directors:

Chu Hongtao (Chairman) Sam Chong Keen Darlington Tseng Te-Lin

The AC performs the functions specified by section 201B(5) of the Companies Act, the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST") and the Code of Corporate Governance.

These members of the AC have had many years of experience in senior management positions in both the financial and industrial sectors. They have sufficient financial management expertise and experience to discharge the AC's functions.

The AC meets at least four times a year to perform the following key functions:

- recommends to the Board of Directors the independent auditor to be nominated, approves the compensation of the independent auditors, and reviews the scope and results of the audit, and its cost-effectiveness;
- reviews the terms and reference of other committees, the system of internal accounting and financial controls by management and the overall scope of independent auditor as well as the significant risk exposures that exist for the Group and assess the steps management has taken to minimise such risks to the Group;
- reviews the independent auditor's findings of the annual audit;
- reviews with management annually:
  - significant internal audit observations during the year and management's responses;
  - the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls over management, business and technology systems practices; and
  - any changes required in the planned scope of the audit plan and any difficulties encountered in the course of the audits;
- reviews legal and regulatory matters that may have a material impact on the financial statements, policies for the SGX listing rules, and programmes and reports received from regulators; and
- reports activities and minutes of the AC to the Board of Directors with such recommendations as the AC considers appropriate.

The AC is satisfied with the independence and objectivity of the independent auditor and has recommended to the Board of Directors that the independent auditor, Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation, be reappointed as auditor at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company.

## Directors' **Statement**

For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR**

The independent auditor, Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation, has expressed its willingness to accept re-appointment.

On behalf of the Directors

MA WEIDONG
Chairman

LIM HUAN CHIANG

Chief Executive Officer

7 November 2016

# Independent Auditor's Report

TO THE MEMBERS OF A-SMART HOLDINGS LTD (FORMERLY KNOWN AS XPRESS HOLDINGS LTD)

## **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of A-Smart Holdings Ltd (formerly known as Xpress Holdings Ltd) (the "Company") and its subsidiary corporations (the "Group") set out on pages F-09 to F-64, which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position of the Group and statement of financial position of the Company as at 31 July 2016, and the consolidated income statement, consolidated statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the Group for the financial year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

## Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of the Group and the statement of financial position of the Company are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Company as at 31 July 2016, and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the financial year ended on that date.

## Independent Auditor's Report

TO THE MEMBERS OF A-SMART HOLDINGS LTD (FORMERLY KNOWN AS XPRESS HOLDINGS LTD)

## **Report on other Legal and Regulatory Requirements**

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

## **Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation**

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants

**Director-in-charge: Low See Lien** 

Appointed since financial year ended 31 July 2015

Singapore 7 November 2016

# Statements of Financial Position

As at 31 July 2016

		Gro	oup	Com	pany
		2016	2015	2016	2015
	Note	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Assets					
Non-current					
Plant and equipment	4	1,956	8,269	106	149
Investments in subsidiary corporations	5	-	-	6,000	4,000
	-	1,956	8,269	6,106	4,149
Current					
Inventories	8	112	1,363		_
Trade receivables	9	1,179	4,973	201	16
Other receivables	9	1,173	1,872	1,395	160
Amounts due from subsidiary corporations	6	1,302	1,072	2,816	5,726
Cash and cash equivalents	10	2,768	3,690	1,944	2,785
cash and cash equivalents	-	6,021	11,898	6,356	8,687
Total assets	-	7,977	20,167	12,462	12,836
	-	.,,,,,	20,107	,	12,030
Equity					
Capital and reserves attributable to owners of the Company					
Share capital	11	130,301	125,033	130,301	125,033
Reserves	12	(128,422)	(116,587)	(121,176)	(118,165)
Equity attributable to owners of the	-				
Company		1,879	8,446	9,125	6,868
Non-controlling interests	5	178	180	-	-
	-	2,057	8,626	9,125	6,868
Liabilities					
Non-current	4.0	4.544	706		445
Finance lease liabilities	13	1,314	726	78	115
	-	1,314	726	78	115
Current					
Trade and other payables	14	4,064	9,261	3,228	3,650
Amounts due to subsidiary corporations	6	-,00-	-	-	2,173
Borrowings	15	_	1,099	_	-,.,5
Finance lease liabilities	13	520	433	30	30
Current income tax liabilities	. •	22	22	-	-
	-	4,606	10,815	3,258	5,853
Total liabilities	-	5,920	11,541	3,336	5,968
Total equity and liabilities	-	7,977	20,167	12,461	12,836
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# Consolidated Income Statement For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

Continuing operations	Note	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Revenue	17	7,744	10,404
Changes in inventories of raw materials and consumables		(21)	(90)
Raw materials and consumables used	8	(2,080)	(2,195)
Loss on disposal of investments in subsidiary corporations	10	(19,672)	-
Depreciation of plant and equipment	4	(197)	(408)
Other income	18(a)	349	350
Staff costs	18(b)	(4,344)	(3,521)
Other expenses	18(c)	(2,029)	(2,222)
Exchange loss, net		(12)	(18)
Interest income	19(a)	8	-
Finance costs	19(b)	(101)	(227)
(Loss)/profit before taxation		(20,355)	2,073
Income tax credit/(expense)	20	18	(17)
(Loss)/profit from continuing operations		(20,337)	2,056
Discontinued operations			
Net loss from discontinued operations	21	(1,415)	(1,745)
Total (loss)/profit	_	(21,752)	311
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		(21,750)	314
Non-controlling interests		(2)	(3)
	_	(21,752)	311
Earnings per share for profit from continuing and discontinued operations attributable to owners of the Company (cents)			
Basic and diluted (loss)/earnings per share			
From continuing operations	22	(21.62)	3.32
From discontinued operations	22	(1.51)	(2.81)



# Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

Continuing operations	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Net (loss)/profit from continuing operations	(20,337)	2,056
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax Items that may be classified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Translation differences relating to financial statements of foreign operations	(82)	(133)
Other comprehensive loss from continuing operations	(82)	(133)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income from continuing operations	(20,419)	1,923
<u>Discontinued operations</u>		
Net loss from discontinued operations	(1,415)	(1,745)
Other comprehensive income/(loss):		
Translation reserve transferred to income statement upon disposal	12,253	- (406)
Translation differences relating to financial statements of foreign operations  Translation differences arising on monetary items forming part of net	(1,418)	(196)
investments in foreign operations	(838)	1,280
Other comprehensive income from discontinued operations	9,997	1,084
Total comprehensive income/(loss) from discontinued operations	8,582	(661)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income attributable to:		
Owners of the Company	(11,835)	1,265
Non-controlling interests	(2)	(3)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income	(11,837)	1,262

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

	Share capital S\$'000	Currency translation reserve S\$'000	Share option reserve S\$'000	Accumulated losses S\$'000	Total S\$'000	Non- controlling interests S\$'000	Total equity S\$′000
At 1 August 2014	117,908	(10,948)	902	(107,610)	99	183	239
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year  Profit/(loss) for the financial year	•	•		314	314	(3)	311
Other comprehensive income Translation differences arising from translation of foreign operations	•	(329)	•		(329)	•	(329)
Translation differences arising from monetary items forming part of net investments in foreign operations	1	1,280	1	1	1,280		1,280
Total other comprehensive income	1	951	1	1	951		951
Total comprehensive losses for the financial year	1	951	,	314	1,265	(3)	1,262
Transactions with owners of the Company, recognised directly in equity  Contributions by owners  Issue of ordinary shares pursuant to share	7 125	,		,	7175	,	7 1 2 5
Total contributions by owners	7,125		ı		7,125		7,125
At 31 July 2015	125,033	(266'6)	902	(107,296)	8,446	180	8,626

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

# Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

	Share	Currency	Share	(Accumulated		Non-	Total
	capital S\$'000	reserve S\$'000 Note 12	reserve S\$'000		Total S\$'000	interests S\$'000 Note 5	equity S\$'000
At 1 August 2015	125,033	(2666)	902	(107,296)	8,446	180	8,626
<b>Total comprehensive loss for the year</b> Loss for the financial year	•	•	•	(21,750)	(21,750)	(2)	(21,752)
Other comprehensive income/(loss) Translation reserve transferred to income statement upon disposal of subsidiary corporations		12,253			12,253		12,253
Translation differences arising from translation of foreign operations	•	(1,500)	•	ı	(1,500)		(1,500)
Translation differences arising from monetary items forming part of net investments in foreign operations	1	(838)	1		(838)		(838)
Total other comprehensive income	1	9,915		1	9,915	1	9,915
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the financial year		9,915		(21,750)	(11,835)	(2)	(11,837)
Transactions with owners of the Company, recognised directly in equity  Contributions by and distributions to owners							
Exercise of share warrants	5,038	1	1	1	5,038	1	5,038
capitalisation of expenses for pracement share	230	1	•	ı	230	•	230
Share Options lapsed	•	ı	(649)	649	•	ı	ı
Total contributions by owners	5,268	1	(649)	649	5,268	1	5,268
At 31 July 2016	130,301	(82)	57	(128,397)	1,879	178	2,057

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

# Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the financial year ended 31 July 2016

		2016	2015
Cook floor from a cooking activities	Note	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		(24.770)	220
(Loss)/Profit before taxation including discontinued operations		(21,770)	328
Adjustments for:	4	020	1 170
Depreciation of plant and equipment  Gain on disposal of plant and equipment	4	828 (67)	1,173 (357)
	19(b)	101	(337)
Interest expense Interest income	19(b) 19(a)	(8)	221
Inventories written off	19(a)	(6)	282
Loss on disposal of investments in subsidiary corporations	10	- 19,672	202
Plant and equipment written off	18(c)	19,672	380
Flant and equipment written on	10(C) _	(1,225)	2,034
Changes in working capital, net of effects from disposal of subsidiary		(1,223)	2,034
corporations			
- Inventories		68	(141)
- Trade and other receivables		2,052	1,025
- Trade and other payables	_	(3,106)	(4,786)
Cash used in operations		(2,211)	(1,868)
Income tax refunded/(paid)	_	18	(30)
Cash flows used in operating activities	_	(2,193)	(1,898)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		8	-
Purchase of plant and equipment		(575)	(342)
Disposal of subsidiary corporations, net of cash disposed of	10	75	-
Disposal of plant and equipment		246	941
Cash flows (used in)/generated from investing activities		(246)	599
Cash flows from financing activities			
Interest paid		(101)	(227)
Repayment of finance lease liabilities		(425)	(133)
Repayment of borrowings		(425)	(2,279)
Proceeds from issuance of shares	11		7,125
Proceeds from share warrants exercised	11	5,038	7,125
Redemption of fixed deposits pledged		540	_
Cash flows generated from financing activities	_	5,052	4,486
The state of the s	_	3,032	+,-100
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		2,613	3,187
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		2,051	(1,255)
Effects of currency translation on cash and cash equivalents		(1,896)	119
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	-		
	10	2,768	2,051



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

## 1 CORPORATE INFORMATION

A-Smart Holdings Ltd (formerly known as Xpress Holdings Ltd) ("the Company") is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore. The address of its registered office is No. 61 Tai Seng Avenue #03-03, Print Media Hub @ Paya Lebar iPark, Singapore 534167. The Company is listed on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited.

The principal activities of the Company are those relating to investment holding. The principal activities of its subsidiary corporations are set out in Note 5 to the financial statements.

On 14 October 2016, the Company has changed its name from Xpress Holdings Ltd to A-Smart Holdings Ltd.

#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS") under the historical cost convention, except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

## Interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2016

On 1 August 2015, the Group adopted the new or amended FRS and Interpretations of FRS ("INT FRS") that are mandatory for application for the financial year. Changes to the Group's accounting policies have been made as required, in accordance with the transitional provisions in the respective FRS and INT FRS.

The adoption of these new or amended FRS and INT FRS did not result in substantial changes to the accounting policies of the Group and the Company and had no material effect on the amounts reported for the current or prior financial years.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with FRS requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies. It also requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions.

## **Critical accounting estimates and assumptions**

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

The areas involving a higher degree of judgement and complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements are disclosed as follows:

## Impairment of non-financial assets

Plant and equipment and investments in subsidiary corporations are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired.



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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## **Critical accounting estimates and assumptions (cont'd)**

## Impairment of non-financial assets (cont'd)

The recoverable amounts of these assets and, where applicable, cash-generating units ("CGU"), have been determined based on higher of the fair value less costs to sell or value-in-use. If the carrying amounts exceed the recoverable amounts, an impairment loss is recognised in income statement for the differences.

Determining whether plant and equipment, investments in and amounts due from subsidiary corporations are impaired requires an estimation of the value-in-use of these investments. The value-in-use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected from the cash-generating units and an appropriate discount rate in order to calculate the present value of the future cash flows.

No impairment losses were recognised for the financial year ended 31 July 2016 as management assessed that there were no indication that the carrying amount of plant and equipment and investments in subsidiary corporations may not be recoverable.

The carrying amounts of plant and equipment and investment in subsidiary corporations are disclosed in Note 4 and Note 5 to the financial statement respectively.

## Useful lives of plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. Management estimates the useful lives of plant and equipment to be within the range as indicated in the accounting policy for plant and equipment. Changes in the expected level of usage and technological developments could impact the economic useful lives and the residual values of these assets, leading to potential changes in future depreciation charges, impairment losses and/or write-offs. If the actual useful lives of these items of plant and equipment were to differ by 10% from management's estimates, the carrying amount of the plant and equipment would be an estimated \$\$0.02 million (2015: \$\$0.04 million) higher or lower.

## Allowance for doubtful receivables

Allowance for doubtful receivables of the Group is based on an evaluation of the recoverability of trade and other receivables. Allowances are applied to trade and other receivables where events or changes in circumstances indicate that the balances may not be collectible. The identification of bad and doubtful debts requires the use of judgement and estimates. Where the expected outcome is different from the original estimate, such difference will impact carrying amount of trade and other receivables and doubtful debt expenses in the period in which such estimate has been changed. The carrying amount of trade receivables and other receivables of the Group and the Company at the statement of financial position date amounted to \$\$1.2 million (2015: \$\$5.0 million), \$\$2.0 million (2015: \$\$0.09 million), \$\$0.2 million (2015: less than \$\$0.1 million) and \$\$1.4 million (2015: less than \$\$0.1 million) respectively. If the present value of estimated future cash flows decrease by 10% from management's estimates, the Group's and the Company's allowance for impairment will increase by \$\$0.3 million (2015: increase by \$\$0.7 million) and \$\$0.2 million (2015: less than \$\$0.1 million) respectively.

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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## **Critical accounting estimates and assumptions (cont'd)**

## **Uncertain tax positions**

The Group establishes provisions, based on reasonable estimates, for possible consequences of audits by the tax authorities of the respective countries in which it operates. The amount of such provisions is based on various factors, such as experience of previous tax audits and differing interpretations of tax regulations by the taxable entity and the relevant tax authority. Such differences of interpretation may arise on a wide variety of issues depending on the conditions prevailing in the respective Group company's domicile.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the losses can be utilised. Significant management judgment is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and level of future taxable profits together with future tax planning strategies.

The Group has unabsorbed tax losses, unabsorbed wear and tear allowances and unabsorbed investment allowance of approximately S\$9.1 million (2015: S\$6.8 million), S\$1.9 million (2015: S\$1.3 million) and S\$1.5 million (2015: S\$1.5 million) respectively. These losses relate to subsidiary corporations that have a history of losses, do not expire and may not be used to offset taxable income elsewhere in the Group. The subsidiary corporations have neither temporary taxable differences nor any tax planning opportunities available that could support the recognition of any of these losses as deferred tax assets.

## 2.1 NEW OR REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS

Below are the mandatory standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that have been published, and are relevant for the Group and the Company's accounting periods beginning on or after 1 August 2016 or later periods and which the Group and the Company has not early adopted:

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017

- Amendments to FRS 7 Disclosure Initiative
- Amendments to FRS 12 Recognition of Deferred Tax Assets for Unrealised Losses

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018

- FRS 109 Financial Instruments
  - Illustrative Examples
  - Implementation Guidance
  - Amendments to Guidance on Other Standards
- FRS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers

(The effective date of FRS 115 Revenue from contracts with customers has been deferred from 1 January 2017 to 1 January 2018)



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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.1 NEW OR REVISED ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS (CONT'D)

Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019

- FRS 116 Leases
  - Illustrative Examples and Amendments to Guidance on Other Standards

Effective date of this Amendments had been revised from 1 January 2016 to a date to be determined by ASC

• Amendments to FRS 110 and FRS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture

The management anticipates that the adoption of the above FRSs, INT FRSs and amendments to FRS in the future periods will not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group and of the Company in the period of their initial adoption.

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## **Revenue recognition**

Revenue from the rendering of services is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of goods and services taxes or other sales taxes and trade discounts. Revenue from the provision of print media services is recognised in the period in which the services are rendered.

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

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

## **Government grant**

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

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

Government grants relating to assets are deducted against the carrying amount of the assets.

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Group accounting**

## Consolidation

Subsidiary corporations 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. Subsidiary corporations are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date when that control ceases.

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

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

#### **Acquisitions**

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method as at the acquisition date, which is the date on which control is transferred to the Group.

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

Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

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

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

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

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Group accounting (cont'd)**

#### Disposals

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

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

Please refer to the paragraph "Investments in subsidiary corporations", for the accounting policy on investments in subsidiary corporations in the separate financial statements of the Company.

## Transactions with non-controlling interests

Changes in the Group's ownership interest in a subsidiary corporation that do not result in a loss of control over the subsidiary corporation are accounted for as transactions with equity owners of the Company. Any difference between the change in the carrying amounts of the non-controlling interest and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised within equity attributable to the owners of the Company.

## Investments in subsidiary corporations

Investments in subsidiary corporations are carried at cost, less accumulated impairment losses in the Company's statement of financial position. On disposal of such investments, the difference between disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the investments are recognised in income statement.

## **Currency translation**

## Functional and presentation currency

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

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Currency translation (cont'd)**

## Transactions and balances

Translations in a currency other than the functional currency ("foreign currency") are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Currency exchange differences resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the closing rates at the statement of financial position date are recognised in income statement. However, in the consolidated financial statements, currency translation differences arising from borrowings in foreign currencies and other currency instruments designated and qualifying as net investment hedges and net investment in foreign operations, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the currency translation reserve.

When a foreign operation is disposed of or any loan forming part of the net investment of the foreign operation is repaid, a proportionate share of the accumulated currency translation differences is reclassified to income statement, as part of the gain or loss on disposal.

All other foreign exchange gains and losses impacting profit or loss are presented in the income statement.

Non-monetary items measured at fair values in foreign currencies are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair values are determined.

## Translation of Group entities' financial statements

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

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

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

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Plant and equipment**

Plant and equipment are initially recognised at cost and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

The cost of an item of plant and equipment initially recognised includes its purchase price and any cost that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

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

	<u>Useful lives</u>
Machineries	10 years
Motor vehicles	6 years
Office equipment	3 to 10 years
Furniture and fittings	3 to 10 years

The residual values, estimated useful lives and depreciation method of plant and equipment are reviewed, and adjusted as appropriate, at each statement of financial position date. The effects of any revision are recognised in income statement when the changes arise.

Subsequent expenditure relating to plant and equipment that has already been recognised is added to the carrying amount of the asset only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the entity and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repair and maintenance expenses are recognised in income statement when incurred.

On disposal of an item of plant and equipment, the difference between the disposal proceeds and its carrying amount is recognised in income statement.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is determined on a first-in, first-out method. Cost includes all costs of purchase, costs of conversion and other costs incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the applicable variable selling expenses.

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## Impairment of non-financial assets

Plant and equipment Investments in subsidiary corporations

Plant and equipment, and investments in subsidiary corporations are tested for impairment whenever there is any objective evidence or indication that these assets may be impaired.

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

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

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

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

## **Financial assets**

#### Classification

The Group classifies its financial assets in the following categories: loans and receivables and available-for-sale. The classification depends on the nature of the asset and the purpose for which the assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

## (i) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They are presented as current assets, except for those expected to be realised later than 12 months after the statement of financial position date which are presented as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are presented as "Trade and other receivables" (Note 9) and "Cash and cash equivalents" (Note 10) on the statement of financial position.

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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## Financial assets (cont'd)

## Classification (cont'd)

## (ii) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are presented as non-current assets unless the investment matures or management intends to dispose of the assets within 12 months after the statement of financial position date.

## Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on trade date – the date on which the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Group has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. On disposal of a financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount and the sale proceeds is recognised in income statement. Any amount previously recognised in other comprehensive income relating to that asset is reclassified to income statement.

## **Initial measurement**

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, which are recognised at fair value. Transaction costs for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognised immediately as expenses.

## Subsequent measurement

Available-for-sale financial assets are subsequently carried at fair value. Loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Interest and dividend income on available-for-sale financial assets are recognised separately in income. Changes in the fair values of available-for-sale debt securities (i.e. monetary items) denominated in foreign currencies are analysed into currency translation differences on the amortised cost of the securities and other changes; the currency translation differences are recognised in income statement and the other changes are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the fair value reserve. Changes in the fair values of available-for-sale equity securities (i.e. non-monetary items) are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the fair value reserve, together with the related currency translation differences.

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## Financial assets (cont'd)

## <u>Impairment</u>

The Group assesses at each statement of financial position date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and recognises an allowance for impairment when such evidence exists.

## (i) Loans and receivables

Significant financial difficulties of the debtor, probability that the debtor will enter bankruptcy and default or significant delay in payments are objective evidence that these financial assets are impaired.

The carrying amount of these assets is reduced through the use of an impairment allowance account which is calculated as the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. When the asset becomes uncollectible, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are recognised against the same line item in income statement.

The impairment allowance is reduced through income statement in a subsequent period when the amount of impairment loss decreases and the related decrease can be objectively measured. The carrying amount of the asset previously impaired is increased to the extent that the new carrying amount does not exceed the amortised cost and had no impairment been recognised in prior periods.

## (ii) Available-for-sale financial assets

In addition to the objective evidence of impairment described in above (i), a significant or prolonged decline in the fair value of an equity security below its cost is considered as an indicator that the available-for-sale financial asset is impaired.

If any evidence of impairment exists, the cumulative loss that was previously recognised in other comprehensive income is reclassified to income statement. The cumulative loss is measured as the difference between the acquisition cost (net of any principal repayments and amortisation) and the current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised as an expense. The impairment loss recognised as an expense on equity securities are not reversed through income statement.

## Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Financial guarantees**

The Company has issued corporate guarantees to banks for bank borrowings of its subsidiary corporations. These guarantees are financial guarantees as they require the Company to reimburse the banks if the subsidiary corporations fail to make principal or interest payments when due in accordance with the terms of their borrowings.

Financial guarantees are initially recognised at their fair values plus transaction costs in the Company's statement of financial position.

Financial guarantees are subsequently amortised to income statement over the period of the subsidiary corporations' borrowings, unless it is probable that the Company will reimburse the banks for an amount higher than the unamortised amount. In this case, the financial guarantees shall be carried at the expected amount payable to the banks in the Company's statement of financial position.

## Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits with financial institutions which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are presented as current borrowings on the statement of financial position.

## **Share capital**

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issuance of new ordinary shares and share options are recognised as a deduction from equity.

## Leases

(a) When the Group is the lessee

The Group leases motor vehicles and certain plant and machinery under finance leases and office, factories and warehouses under operating leases from non-related parties.

(i) Lessee – Finance leases

Leases where the Group assumes substantially all risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the leased assets are classified as finance leases.

The leased assets and the corresponding lease liabilities (net of finance charges) under finance leases are recognised on the statement of financial position as plant and equipment and borrowings respectively, at the inception of the leases based on the lower of the fair value of the leased assets and the present value of the minimum lease payments.

Each lease payment is apportioned between the finance expense and the reduction of the outstanding lease liability. The finance expense is recognised in income statement on a basis that reflects a constant periodic rate of interest on the finance lease liability.

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#### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## Leases (cont'd)

- (a) When the Group is the lessee (cont'd)
  - (ii) Lessee Operating leases

Leases where substantially all risks and rewards incidental to ownership are retained by the lessors are classified as operating leases. Payments made under operating leases (net of any incentives received from the lessors) are recognised in income statement on a straight-line basis over the period of the lease.

Contingent rents are recognised as an expense in income statement when incurred.

(b) When the Group is the lessor

The Group leases properties under operating leases to non-related parties.

(i) Lessor – Operating leases

Rental income from operating leases (net of any incentives given to the lessees) is recognised in income statement on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Initial direct costs incurred by the Group in negotiating and arranging operating leases are added to the carrying amount of the leased assets and recognised as an expense in income statement over the lease term on the same basis as the lease income.

Contingent rents are recognised as income in income statement when earned.

## **Employee benefits**

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

Defined contribution plans

Singapore

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

People's Republic of China ("PRC")

The subsidiary corporations, incorporated and operating in PRC, are required to provide certain retirement plan contribution to their employees under the PRC regulations. Contributions are provided at rates stipulated by the PRC regulations and are managed by government agencies, which are responsible for administering these amounts for the subsidiary corporations' employees.

Contributions to defined contribution retirement plans are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is performed.



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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Employee benefits (cont'd)**

Defined contribution plans (cont'd)

Short-term employee benefits

Short-term benefit obligations, including accumulated compensated absences, are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the statement of financial position date.

The Group recognises a liability and an expense for bonuses if the Group has a contractual obligation to pay or when there is a past practice that has created a constructive obligation to pay.

## **Share-based payments**

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

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

## Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Group prior to the end of financial year which are unpaid. They are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). Otherwise, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

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

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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Borrowings**

Borrowings are presented as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the statement of financial position date, in which case they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value (net of transaction costs) and subsequently carried at amortised cost. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in income statement over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

#### Fair value estimation of financial assets and liabilities

The fair values of current financial assets and liabilities carried at amortised cost approximate their carrying amounts.

#### Income taxes

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

Deferred income tax is recognised for all temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements except when the deferred income tax arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting or taxable profit or loss at the time of the transaction.

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

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

## Deferred income tax is measured:

- (i) at the tax rates that are expected to apply when the related deferred income tax asset is realised or the deferred income tax liability is settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the statement of financial position date; and
- (ii) based on the tax consequence that will follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the statement of financial position date, to recover or settle the carrying amounts of its assets and liabilities.

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## 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONT'D)

## 2.2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Income taxes (cont'd)**

Current and deferred income taxes are recognised as income or expense in the income statement, except to the extent that the tax arises from a business combination or a transaction which is recognised either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. Deferred tax arising from a business combination is adjusted against goodwill on acquisition.

The Group accounts for investment tax credits (for example, productivity and innovative credit) similar to accounting for other tax credits where deferred tax asset is recognised for unused tax credits to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the unused tax credit can be utilised.

## **Segment reporting**

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses that relate to transactions with any of the Group's other components. Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision-maker. The chief operating decision-maker has been identified as the Board who makes strategic resources allocation decisions.

## 3 GOODWILL

	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Group		
Cost		
At 1 August	64,484	64,484
Disposal	(64,484)	_
At 31 July		64,484
Accumulated impairment loss		
At 1 August	(64,484)	(64,484)
Disposal	64,484	-
At 31 July	_	(64,484)
Carrying amount	-	-

Goodwill on consolidation arose from the acquisition of the Precise Media Group Limited and its subsidiary corporations ("CGU") and the Group had previously recognised a full impairment loss on the goodwill.

There is no goodwill remaining in the current financial year as the subsidiary corporations that were allocated the goodwill have been disposed of.

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## 4 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Group	Machineries S\$'000	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Office equipment S\$'000	Furniture and fittings S\$'000	Total S\$'000
At 1 August 2014	17,716	1,283	9,336	8,268	36,603
Exchange differences	1,138	21	100	275	1,534
Additions	1,165	93	1	249	1,508
Disposals	(2,439)	(302)	(936)	(1,967)	(5,644)
Written off	-	-	-	(3,857)	(3,857)
At 31 July 2015	17,580	1,095	8,501	2,968	30,144
Disposal of subsidiary corporations	(8,769)	(18)	(1,007)	(2,186)	(11,980)
Exchange differences	(1,188)	(22)	(149)	(226)	(1,585)
Additions	1,505	76	46	34	1,661
Disposals	-	(739)	(44)	-	(783)
Written off		-	(119)	(20)	(139)
At 31 July 2016	9,128	392	7,228	570	17,318
Accumulated depreciation and imp	oairment losse	es			
At 1 August 2014	12,041	792	8,976	6,725	28,534
Exchange differences	418	18	64	204	704
Depreciation for the financial year					
- Continuing operations	106	142	57	103	408
- Discontinuing operations	438	(8)	51	284	765
Disposals	(2,151)	(212)	(928)	(1,643)	(4,934)
Written off		-	-	(3,602)	(3,602)
At 31 July 2015	10,852	732	8,220	2,071	21,875
Disposal of subsidiary corporations	(2,833)	(52)	(896)	(1,682)	(5,463)
Exchange differences	(841)	(15)	(136)	(162)	(1,154)
Depreciation for the financial year	EO	02	20	32	107
<ul><li>Continuing operations</li><li>Discontinuing operations</li></ul>	53 424	83 36	29 23	148	197 631
Disposals	424	(560)	(44)	140	(604)
Written off	_	(300)	(100)	(20)	(120)
At 31 July 2016	7,655	224	7,096	387	15,362
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Carrying amount					
At 31 July 2015	6,728	363	281	897	8,269
At 31 July 2016	1,473	168	132	183	1,956

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## 4 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONT'D)

Company	Motor vehicles S\$'000	Office equipment S\$'000	Total S\$'000
At 1 August 2014	468	40	508
Disposals	(212)	-	(212)
At 31 July 2015 / 31 July 2016	256	40	296
Accumulated depreciation			
At 1 August 2014	159	40	199
Depreciation for the financial year	78	-	78
Disposals	(130)	-	(130)
At 31 July 2015	107	40	147
Depreciation for the financial year	43	-	43
At 31 July 2016	150	40	190
Carrying amount	4.40		140
At 31 July 2015	149	-	149
At 31 July 2016	106	-	106

(a) Details of the carrying amounts of plant and equipment secured under finance lease agreements (Note 13) are as follows:

	Gro	oup	Company		
	<b>2016</b> 2015		2016	2015	
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	
Motor vehicles	166	339	106	149	
Machineries	1,502	-	-	-	
	1,668	339	106	149	

(b) During the financial year ended 31 July 2016, plant and equipment amounting to S\$1.1 million (2015: S\$0.09 million) were acquired through finance lease arrangements.

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## 5 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY CORPORATIONS

Company	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Unquoted equity shares, at cost, at beginning Add: Incorporation of subsidiary corporations	85,233 2,000	85,233 -
Less: Disposals	(68,582)	
Unquoted equity shares, at cost, at end	18,651	85,233
Less: Impairment losses	(12,651)	(81,233)
	6,000	4,000

## Movement in impairment losses - Investment in subsidiary corporations

At 1 August	81,233	81,233
Amount utilised	(68,582)	-
At 31 July	12,651	81,233

Name of subsidiary corporations	Country of business incorporation	of ord	ortion linary held by oup	of ord shares by n contro	linary s held non- olling	Principal activities
		2016	2015	2016	2015	
		%	%	%	%	
Xpress Print (Pte) Ltd <sup>(1)</sup>	Singapore	100	100	-	-	Provision of general printing, multimedia and pre-press work
Xpress New Media Ltd <sup>(1)</sup>	Singapore	100	100	-	-	Provision of one-stop print related services and printer consultancy services
Xpress Print (Australia) Pty Ltd <sup>(2)</sup>	Australia	76	76	24	24	Pre-press work
Xpress Print (Vietnam) Co., Ltd <sup>(2)</sup>	Vietnam	100	100	-	-	Inactive
Xpress Media Philippines Inc. (2)	Philippines	100	100	-	-	Inactive

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## 5 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY CORPORATIONS (CONT'D)

Name of subsidiary corporations	Country of business incorporation	shares Gro	linary held by oup	Propo of ord shares by n contro inter	inary s held on- olling ests	Principal activities
		2016 %	2015 %	2016 %	2015 %	
A-Smart Commerce Pte. Ltd. <sup>(3)</sup>	Singapore	100	-	-	-	Investment holding
A-Smart Investments Pte Ltd <sup>(3)</sup>	Singapore	100	-	-	-	Investment holding
Subsidiary corporatio	ns disposed of	(4)				
Xpress Print (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd	PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of general printing, multimedia and pre-press work
Precise Media Group Limited	British Virgin Islands	-	100	-	-	Investment holding
Xpress Print (K.L.) Sdn Bhd	Malaysia	-	100	-	-	General printers
Xpress Print (H.K.) Limited	Hong Kong	-	100	-	-	General trading
Print Planner (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong	-	100	-	-	Provision of one-stop print- related services and printer consultancy services
Xpress Print (Shanghai) Co., Ltd	PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of pre-press production related technical support service
Print Planner (Shenzhen) Limited	PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of print-related services and printer consultancy services
Print Planner (Int'l) Limited	Hong Kong	-	100	-	-	Provision of print-related services and printer consultancy services

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## 5 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY CORPORATIONS (CONT'D)

Name of subsidiary corporations	Country of business incorporation	of ord	ortion linary held by oup 2015	of ord share by r contr	_	Principal activities
		%	%	%	%	
<b>Subsidiary corporation</b>	ons disposed of	(cont)	d)			
Print Planner (Chengdu) Limited	PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of pre-press production related technical support service
Print Planner (Beijing) Limited	PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of pre-press production related technical support service
Shenzhen Xpress Print Technology Co., Ltd	: PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of pre-press production related technical support service
Print Planner (Shenyang) Co., Ltd	PRC	-	100	-	-	Provision of pre-press production related technical support service

- (1) Audited by Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation.
- (2) The subsidiary corporations are dormant and were not audited as they are not significant to the Group.
- (3) The newly incorporated subsidiary corporations have not commenced its operations and are not significant to the Group. Therefore, it is not audited.
- (4) These subsidiary corporations were disposed of on 31 July 2016.

Carrying value of non-controlling interests

	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Xpress Print (Australia) Pty Ltd	178	180

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## 5 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARY CORPORATIONS (CONT'D)

Summarised financial information of subsidiary corporations with material non-controlling interests

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

There were no transactions with non-controlling interests for the financial years ended 31 July 2016 and 2015.

Summarised statement of financial position

	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Current	34 000	34 000
Assets	260	597
Liabilities	(259)	(10)
Total current net assets	1	587
Summarised income statement		
	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Revenue	14	15
Loss before income tax	(17)	(14)
Income tax expense	-	-
Total comprehensive loss, representing net loss	(17)	(14)
	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash generated from/ (used in) operations	64	(60)
Net cash generated from/ (used in) operating activities	64	(60)
Net cash used in investing activities	-	(7)
Net cash generated from financing activities	-	67
Net increase in cash and bank balances	64	-
Cash and bank balances at the beginning of the financial year	51	51
Cash and bank balances at end of the financial year	115	51

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## 6 AMOUNTS DUE FROM / TO SUBSIDIARY CORPORATIONS

Company	2016 S\$′000	2015 S\$'000
Current		
Amounts due from subsidiary corporations		
- trade	-	33,254
- non-trade	2,816	37,451
	2,816	70,705
Less: Impairment loss		
At 1 August	(64,979)	(64,979)
Impairment loss utilised	64,979	-
At 31 July	-	(64,979)
	2,816	5,726
Amounts due to subsidiary corporations		
- trade	_	39
- non-trade		2,134
non dade	-	2,173

The current non-trade amounts due from/ to subsidiary corporations are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

## 7 AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS

	Group		Company	
	2016	<b>16</b> 2015 <b>2016</b>	2015	
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Unquoted equity securities, at fair value				
At 1 August	-	7,657	-	7,642
Impairment loss	_	(7,657)	-	(7,642)
At 31 July	-	-	-	-

On 31 July 2016, the available-for-sale financial assets have been disposed of by the Company for a consideration of S\$1.

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## 8 INVENTORIES

Group	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Raw materials and consumables	112	1,363

Cost of inventories recognised as expense was included in "Raw materials and consumables used" in the consolidated income statement amounting to S\$2.1 million (2015: S\$2.2 million).

## 9 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	Group		Company	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Trade receivables – non-related parties	1,279	54,969	201	16
Less: Impairment loss	(100)	(49,996)	-	-
·	1,179	4,973	201	16
Project receivable #	_	8,265	_	_
Less: Impairment loss	_	(8,265)	_	_
25557 p. 3 1555	_	-	_	
	1,179	4,973	201	16
Other receivables				
Sundry receivables – non-related parties	435	7,787	1,299	61
Advances to staff	27	59	25	25
Receivable from divestment of investment	-	4,269	-	4,269
Receivable from disposal of subsidiary				
corporations	900	-	-	-
Deposits	573	3,544	48	58
	1,935	15,659	1,372	4,413
Advance payment to paper suppliers	4	2	3	-
Prepayments	23	32	20	16
	1,962	15,693	1,395	4,429
Less: Impairment losses	-	(13,821)	-	(4,269)
	1,962	1,872	1,395	160

# Project receivable relates to revenue derived by a subsidiary corporation from a print project with a publisher during the financial year ended 31 July 2010. Under this project, the subsidiary corporation manages the print supply chain management and the publisher manages the marketing and distribution functions. During the financial year ended 31 July 2016, the project receivable and the corresponding impairment losses were written off upon the disposal of the subsidiary corporation.

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### 10 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Group		Com	pany
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cash at bank	2,768	3,150	1,944	2,785
Fixed deposits	-	540	-	-
	2,768	3,690	1,944	2,785
Group			2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated position	d statement of	financial	2,768	3,690
Bank overdraft (Note 15)			-	(1,099)
Fixed deposits pledged as security for the Gro (Note 15)	up's banking f	acilities	-	(540)
Cash and cash equivalents in the consolidated	d statement of	cash flows	2,768	2,051

During the financial year, the fixed deposit of S\$0.54 million was utilised for the full settlement of a bank overdraft.

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### 10 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONT'D)

### <u>Disposal of subsidiary corporations</u>

On 31 July 2016, the Company disposed of its entire interest in the issued share capital of Xpress Print (Shenzhen) Co. Ltd, Precise Media Group Limited, Xpress Print (K.L.) Sdn Bhd, Xpress Print (H.K.) Limited and Shenzhen Jiaxingda Printing Co. Ltd for a cash consideration of S\$1.0 million. The effects of the disposal on the cash flows of the Group were as follows:

Carrying amounts of assets and liabilities disposed of	Note	Group 2016 S\$'000
Plant and equipment	4	6,517
Inventories		1,183
Trade and other receivables		2,552
Cash and cash equivalents		25
Trade and other payables	_	(1,858)
Net assets disposed		8,419
Realisation of currency translation reserves	_	12,253
		20,672
Loss on disposal of subsidiary corporations	_	(19,672)
Cash proceeds from disposal		1,000
Less: Cash and cash equivalents in subsidiary corporations disposed of		(25)
Less: Consideration receivable	_	(900)
Net cash inflow on disposal	_	75

### 11 SHARE CAPITAL

	No. of			
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	′000	′000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Issued and fully paid:				
Ordinary Shares				
At 1 August	3,547,928	2,447,928	125,033	117,908
Issue of placement shares (i)	-	1,100,000	-	7,125
Capitalisation of expenses related to				
placement shares	-	-	230	-
Exercise of warrants (iii)	300,000	-	2,070	-
Before Share Consolidation	3,847,928	3,547,928	127,333	125,033
After Share Consolidation (ii)	96,198	96,191	127,333	125,033
Exercise of warrants (iii)	10,714	_	2,968	
At 31 July	106,912	96,191	130,301	125,033



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### 11 SHARE CAPITAL (CONT'D)

- (i) During the previous financial year, the Company allotted and issued 1,100,000,000 placement shares at an issue price of S\$0.007 per placement share. The net proceeds of S\$7.1 million from the placement shares have been fully utilised during the current financial year (see page 31 for details of the use of proceeds).
- (ii) During the current financial year, the Company completed a share consolidation exercise where every forty (40) Existing Shares registered in the name of each Shareholder was consolidated to constitute one (1) Consolidated Share (the "Share Consolidation"). The comparative figures for the number of shares were prepared to show the retrospective effect of the Share Consolidation only for illustrative purposes.
- (iii) During the previous financial year, the Company issued 2,200,000,000 unlisted and detachable free warrants, each carrying the right to subscribe for one new share at the exercise price of \$\$0.007.

During the current financial year, 300,000,000 warrants were exercised before the Share Consolidation (see (ii) above) and the net proceeds from issue of 300,000,000 shares due to the warrants conversion was \$\$2.07 million. Pursuant to the Share Consolidation, the number of outstanding warrants was adjusted from 1,900,000,000 warrants to 47,500,000 warrants and the exercise price of the warrants adjusted from \$\$0.007 to \$\$0.28.

After the Share Consolidation, 10,714,000 warrants were exercised and the net proceeds from the issuance of 10,714,000 shares due to the warrants conversion were \$\$2.97 million. As at 31 July 2016, there were 36,786,000 outstanding warrants that can be exercised and converted into 36,786,000 ordinary shares.

The total net proceeds received for the issue of shares due to the conversion of warrants during the current financial year were S\$5.04 million, of which S\$4.5 million has been utilised (see page 31 for details of the use of proceeds).

(iv) All issued shares are fully paid and have no par value. The Company has one class of ordinary shares which carries no right to fixed income. The holders of ordinary shares are entitled to receive dividends as and when declared by the Company. All ordinary shares carry one vote per share without restriction.

### **Capital Management**

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and to maintain an optimal capital structure so as to maximise shareholder value. The Group strives to maintain a prudent capital structure. The capital structure of the Group comprises equity and debts.

The Company and its subsidiary corporations are not subject to externally imposed capital requirements.

Management monitors capital based on a debt-to-capital ratio which is net debt divided by total capital. Net debt is calculated as borrowings, finance lease liabilities less cash and cash equivalents. Capital comprises total equity.

There were no changes in the Group's approach to capital management during the financial year.

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### 12 RESERVES

		Group		Con	npany
		2016	2015	2016	2015
		S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Composi	tion:				
Currency	translation reserve	(82)	(9,997)	-	-
Share op	tion reserve	57	706	57	706
-	ated losses	(128,397)	(107,296)	(121,233)	(118,871)
		(128,422)	(116,587)	(121,176)	(118,165)
Moveme	nts:				
(i) Cu	ırrency translation reserve				
At	1 August	(9,997)	(10,948)	-	-
Tr	anslation reserve transferred to				
	income statement upon disposal of				
	subsidiary corporations	12,253	-	-	-
	anslation differences arising from				
	translation of foreign operations	(1,500)	(329)	-	-
	anslation differences arising from				
	monetary items forming part of net	(020)	1 200		
	investments in foreign operations	(838)	1,280	-	
At	31 July	(82)	(9,997)	-	
Moveme	nts:				
	nare option reserve				
	1 August	706	706	706	706
	are options lapsed	(649)	-	(649)	-
	31 July	57	706	57	706
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### 13 FINANCE LEASE LIABILITIES

The Group leases certain machineries and motor vehicles from non-related parties under finance leases. The lease agreements do not have renewal clause but provide the Group with options to purchase the leased assets at nominal values at the end of the lease term.

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### 13 FINANCE LEASE LIABILITIES (CONT'D)

The present values of finance lease liabilities are analysed as follows:

	Group		Com	pany
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Not later than one year	520	433	30	30
Later than one year:				
Between one year and five year	1,309	712	78	115
Later than five years	5	14	-	-
	1,314	726	78	115
	1,834	1,159	108	145

The weighted average nominal interest rates of the finance lease liabilities is as follows:

	Group		Company	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
Not later than one year	3.10%	2.26%	2.28%	2.28%

### 14 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	Group		Company	
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	<b>S\$'000</b>	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Trade payables – non-related parties	1,628	3,410	612	760
Other payables:				
Sundry payables – non-related parties	1,405	1,380	1,974	718
Accruals for operating expenses	780	3,387	552	1,265
Fixed assets vendors	-	10	-	-
Accrued directors' fees	99	391	90	354
Rental deposit	152	130	-	-
Loan from a major shareholder(#)	-	553	-	553
	2,436	5,851	2,616	2,890
	4,064	9,261	3,228	3,650

<sup>#</sup> The working capital loan which was fully repaid in the current financial year was provided by the Company's Board Chairman, who is also a major shareholder of the Company. The loan was unsecured, interest-free and had no fixed terms of repayment.

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### 15 BORROWINGS

Group	Nominal interest rate	Year of maturity	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Current				
Bank overdraft (secured) (1)	5.25%	2015	-	1,099

(1) During the financial year, the secured fixed deposit of S\$0.54 million was utilised for the full settlement of the bank overdraft (Note 10).

### 16 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION

### **Share option scheme**

The Executives' Share Option Scheme (the "SOS") was approved by its members at an Extraordinary General Meeting held on 25 June 2001. The SOS is administered by the Remuneration Committee.

Other information regarding the SOS is set out below:

- (a) Options granted to employees and executive directors have a contractual life of 10 years commencing from the date of grant and expiring on the day immediately preceding the 10th anniversary of the date of grant.
- (b) Options granted to non-executive directors of the Group have a contractual life of 5 years commencing from the date of grant and expiring on the day immediately preceding the 5th anniversary of the date of grant.
- (c) The options vest one year from the date of grant.
- (d) All options are settled by physical delivery of shares.

The SOS had expired on its 10th anniversary on 25 June 2011 as the Company did not seek a renewal mandate from the shareholders as required under the Terms and Conditions of the SOS.

Details of the share options are as follows:

	Balance at		
Date of Grant	01.08.2015 and 31.07.2016	Exercise price	Expiry date
04.12.2006	22,500	S\$6.25	03.12.2016
01.03.2007	75,000	S\$5.78	28.02.2017
	97,500		

The share options outstanding have been adjusted for the effect of the Share Consolidation of 40 shares to 1 share (see note 11 (ii)).

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### 16 EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION (CONT'D)

### **Share option scheme (cont'd)**

During the financial year ended 31 July 2016, there were no share options that were forfeited and/or expired (2015: 100,000 share options forfeited and 15,000 share options expired).

As at 31 July 2016, 97,500 (2015: 97,500) share options were exercisable at the weighted average price of S\$5.89.

The weighted average remaining contractual life of share options outstanding at 31 July 2016 is 0.5 (2015 – 1.5) years.

The fair value of services received in return for options granted is measured by reference to the fair value of options granted. The fair value of the options granted is measured based on the Black-Scholes valuation model, which assumes no dividends are paid out during the life of the option; markets are efficient; no commissions; and risk-free rate and volatility of the underlying are known and constant.

### 17 REVENUE

	Group	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
	Print media services	7,744	10,404
18(a)	Other income		
		2016	2015
	Group	S\$'000	S\$'000
	Rental income	-	31
	Bad debts recovered	12	6
	Gain on disposal of plant and equipment	40	157
	Government grants	244	-
	Miscellaneous income	53	156
		349	350

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### 18(b) Staff costs

18(c)

Group	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
Directors' fees:		
directors of the Company		
- Current financial year	123	138
- Prior financial years	(86)	(150)
directors of a subsidiary corporation	25	5
Directors' remuneration other than fees:		
• directors of the Company	369	464
- contributions to defined contribution plans	5	21
directors of a subsidiary corporation	238	268
- contributions to defined contribution plans	10	16
Key management personnel (other than directors):		42.4
salaries, wages and other related costs	925	434
contributions to defined contribution plans    Contribution   Contribution	38	1 272
Key management personnel compensation	1,647	1,273
Other than directors and key management personnel:		
<ul> <li>salaries, wages and other related costs</li> </ul>	2,371	1,916
<ul> <li>contributions to defined contribution plans</li> </ul>	326	332
Contributions to defined contribution plans	4,344	3,521
		3/32 !
Other expenses		
Group	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Corporate and legal expenses	498	358
Audit fees		
- Current year	105	170
Bank charges	14	17
Insurance expense	31	-
Marketing expenses	113	385
Operating lease expense – offices, factories and warehouses	471	761
Printing expenses and postage	27	30
Plant and equipment written off	19	380
Rental of copier	272	180
Repair and maintenance of equipment	70	224
Stamp duty	-	9
Telecommunication expense	91	97
Utilities	137	192
Upkeep of motor vehicles	105	129
Impairment loss/(write back) on trade receivables	31	(107)
Others	45	(603)
	2,029	2,222



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19(a)	Interest income		
	Group	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
	Interest income on fixed deposits	8	-
19(b)	Finance costs		
( )			
	Group	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
	Interest expense		
	- Bank overdraft	9	91
	- Bank loans	-	113
	- Finance lease liabilities	92	23
		101	227
20	INCOME TAX EXPENSE		
20.1	Income tax expense – income statement		
	Group	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
	Current tax (credit)/ expense (Over)/Under provided in prior financial years	(18)	37
	Deferred tax expense		
	Origination and reversal of temporary differences	-	(20)
		(18)	17
	Reconciliation of effective tax rate		
	Group	2016 S\$'000	2015 S\$'000
	(Loss)/ Profit before tax, including discontinued operations Adjustments for:	(21,770)	327
	Loss on disposal of investments in subsidiary corporations	19,672	_
	(Loss)/ Profit before income tax	(2,098)	327
	T	-	= -
	Tax calculated using Singapore tax rate of 17% (2015: 17%)	(356) 280	56 497
	Non-deductible expenses Effects of tax rates in foreign jurisdictions	(10)	497
	Utilisation of previously unrecognised tax benefits	(10)	(627)
	Deferred tax assets on current financial year losses not recognised	86	54
	Deferred tax on temporary differences not recognised	-	-
	(Over)/Under provided in prior years	(18)	37
		(18)	17

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### 20 INCOME TAX EXPENSE (CONT'D)

### 20.1 Income tax expense – income statement (cont'd)

### Reconciliation of effective tax rate (cont'd)

Under the group tax relief system introduced by the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore ("IRAS"), a Singapore incorporated company may, upon satisfaction of the criteria set out by the IRAS, transfer its current year's unabsorbed capital allowances, trade losses and donations to another company belonging to the same group, to be deducted against the assessable income of the latter company.

### 20.2 Income tax expense - other comprehensive income, net of tax

		2016			2015	
Disclosure of tax effect relating to						
each component of other	Before	Tax	Net	Before	Tax	Net
comprehensive income:	tax	expense	of tax	tax	expense	of tax
	S\$'000	<b>S\$'000</b>	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Currency translation differences	9,915	-	9,915	951	-	951

At the date of the statement of financial position, the Group had unabsorbed tax losses, unabsorbed wear and tear allowances and unabsorbed investment allowance of approximately S\$9.1 million (2015: S\$6.8 million), S\$1.9 million (2015: S\$1.3 million) and S\$1.5 million (2015: S\$1.5 million), respectively, that are available for carry forward and set-off against future taxable income, subject to agreement by the tax authorities and compliance with certain provisions of the tax legislations of the respective countries in which the subsidiary corporations operate. Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of unabsorbed tax losses, unabsorbed wear and tear allowances and unabsorbed investment allowance, because it is not probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the Group can utilise the benefits therefrom.

### 21 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

Following the approval obtained from the Company's shareholders on 14 June 2016 to dispose its entire interest in Xpress Print (Shenzhen) Co. ltd, Precise Media Group Limited, Xpress Print (K.L) Sdn Bhd, Xpress Print (H.K) Limited and Shenzhen Jiaxingda Printing Co. Ltd (collectively known as "sale companies"), the entire assets and liabilities related to the disposal group net of the sale consideration were taken to the income statement as gain or loss on disposal of subsidiary corporations. The entire results of the disposal group are presented separately on the consolidated income statement as "Discontinued operations".

On 31 July 2016, the Company disposed of the sale companies for a cash consideration of S\$1.0 million (Note 10).

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### 21 DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

(a) The results of the discontinued operations and the re-measurement of the disposal group are as follows:

	Gro	up
	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Revenue	315	1,542
Expenses	(1,730)	(3,288)
Profit/(loss) before tax from discontinued operations	(1,415)	(1,746)
Tax	_	_
Profit/(loss) after tax from discontinued operations	(1,415)	(1,746)
•		
Total comprehensive loss attributable to equity shareholders	(1,415)	(1,746)
•		
	Gro	up
	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Cumulative income/(expense) recognised in other comprehensive income		
Relating to disposal group classified as held-for-sale are as follows:		
- Currency translation differences	(12,253)	

(b) The impact of the discontinued operations on the cash flows of the Group is as follows:

	Gro	oup
	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Operating cash outflows	(149)	(1,652)
Investing cash (outflows)/inflows	(25)	311
Finance cash inflows	-	265
Foreign currency translations	135	1,115
Total cash (outflows)/inflows	(39)	39

(c) The carrying amounts of assets and liabilities as at the date of disposal (31 July 2016) were:

	Group 2016 S\$'000
Plant and equipment	6,517
Inventories Trade and other receivables	1,183 2,552
Cash and cash equivalents	25
Total assets	10,277
Total liabilities	1,858
Net assets	8,419

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### 22 EARNINGS/(LOSS) PER SHARE

### **Basic**

Basic earnings/(loss) per share is calculated by dividing the net profit/(loss) attributable to ordinary owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the financial year.

### **Diluted**

Diluted earnings/(loss) per share is calculated by dividing the loss attributable to ordinary owners of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding and to assume the deemed exercise of the share options outstanding during the financial year have been issued at no consideration.

The calculation of basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share is as follows:

	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Loss attributable to owners of the company (S\$'000)		
- continuing operations	(20,335)	2,059
- discontinued operations	(1,415)	(1,745)
	(21,750)	314
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	94,029	62,102
Basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share (S\$'000)		
- continuing operations	(21.62)	3.32
- discontinued operations	(1.51)	(2.81)
	(23.13)	0.51

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### 23 COMMITMENTS

### (a) Operating lease commitments

The Group as lessee

The Group leases a number of office premises and factory and warehouse facilities under operating leases.

Non-cancellable operating lease rentals are payable as follows:

	2016	2015
Group	S\$'000	S\$'000
Lease rentals payable:		
Not later than one year	609	942
Later than one year and not later than five years	1,319	2,567
	1,928	3,509
(b) Capital commitments		
Group	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000
Commitments in respect of:		
- Capital contribution in investment in associated company		
(Note 27(a))	1,380	-
- Acquisition of 70% of the equity interest of Amplify Me Pte Ltd		
(Note 27(b))	500	
	1,880	-

### (c) Contingent liabilities

Contingent liabilities of which the probability of settlement is not remote at the statement of financial position date, are as follows:

A writ of summons was filed by Fuji Offset Plates Manufacturing Ltd against the Company and former Chief Operating Officer, Mr Fong Kah Kuen in respect of damages to be assessed. The Company has disclaimed the liability and is defending the action. Legal advice obtained indicates that it is unlikely that any significant liability will arise. The Court has ordered for a mediation to resolve the dispute, which has yet to commence as of to-date. At the date of these financial statements, the directors are of the view that no material losses will arise in respect of the legal claim.

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### 24 OPERATING SEGMENTS

For management reporting purposes, the Group is organised into the following reportable operating segments:

- (a) Print Media involved in the printing of financial research reports, annual reports, asset management reports, Initial public offering prospectuses, corporate brochures, yearbooks, trade directories, magazines and other commercial publications and collaterals.
- (b) Corporate includes investment holdings and Corporate Office which incurs general corporate expenses and derives revenue from management fees and interest income from subsidiary corporations.

Segment accounting policies are the same as the policies described in Note 2.2. Intra- and intersegment transactions were carried out at terms agreed between the parties during the financial year. Intra- and inter-segment transactions were eliminated on consolidation.

### Segment revenue and expense:

Segment revenue and expenses are the operating revenue and expenses reported in the Group's income statement that are directly attributable to a segment and the relevant portion of such revenue and expense that can be allocated on a reasonable basis to a segment.

### Segment assets and liabilities:

Segment assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Capital expenditure includes the total cost incurred to acquire plant and equipment directly attributable to the segment.

Group cash resources, financing activities and income taxes are managed on a group basis and are not allocated to operating segments. Unallocated assets comprise cash and cash equivalents. Unallocated liabilities comprise borrowings, finance lease liabilities and income tax payable.

The Board monitors the operating results of its operating segments for the purpose of making decisions about resource allocation and performance assessment.

## **OPERATING SEGMENTS (CONT'D)**

# Segment assets and liabilities: (cont'd)

Information regarding the results of each reportable segment is included below. Performance is measured based on segment profit/loss before income tax, as included in the internal management reports that are reviewed by the Group CEO.

	Print Medi	Media	Corpora	Corporate and others	Eliminations	ations	Continuing Operations	nuing Itions	Discontinued Operations	tinued tions	To	Total
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
	2\$,000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	2\$,000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000
Sales to external customers	7,517	8,094	227	272	•	2,038	7,744	10,404	315	1,542	8,059	11,946
Inter-segment sales	132	197	•	•	(132)	(197)	•	•	•	1	•	1
Segment revenue	7,649	8,291	227	272	(132)	1,841	7,744	10,404	315	1,542	8,059	11,946
Segment results	(11,476)	2,995	(22,731)	(861)	13,953	166	(20,254)	2,300	(1,415)	(1,745)	(1,745) <b>(21,669)</b>	555
Finance costs							(101)	(227)	٠	1	(101)	(227)
(Loss)/Profit before								1		í		(
income tax							(20,355)	2,073	(1,415)	(1,/45)	(1,745) (21,770)	328
Income tax expense							18	(17)	٠	•	18	(17)
(Loss)/Profit for the							í	L C	3	1		(
rinanciai year							(20,337)	2,056	(1,415)	(1,/45)	(75/,152)	311
Assets and liabilities:												
Segment assets	3,063	13,367	2,146	3,110	•	1	•	•	•	1	5,209	16,477
Unallocated assets											2,768	3,690
Total assets											7,977	20,167
Segment liabilities	2,227	4,897	1,837	4,363	٠	1	•	1	٠	1	4,064	9,260
Income tax payable											22	22
Deferred tax liabilities											•	1
Unallocated liabilities											1,834	2,259
Total liabilities											5,920	11,541

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**OPERATING SEGMENTS (CONT'D)** 

Segment assets and liabilities: (cont'd)

							Continuing	uing	Discontinued	tinued		
	Print	Print Media	Corporate	rate	Eliminations	tions	Operations	ions	Operations	tions	Total	le
	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
	2\$,000	2\$,000	S\$'000	000,\$5	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000
Other segment information:												
Capital expenditure	1,577	262	1	1	1	1	1,577	262	84	1,246	1,661	1,508
Depreciation of plant	15.4	230	73	78	1	ı	107	708	23	765	828	1 172
alla equipilielle	101	000	0	0/			161	400	100	00/	070	1,175
Interest expense	91	162	10	9	•	•	101	227	•	•	101	227
Plant and equipment written off	19	381	•	1	1	1	19	381	•	1	19	381
Gain on disposal of plant and equipment	(40)	(91)	1	(12)	1	1	(40)	(103)	(27)	(254)	(67)	(357)
Impairment loss/ (write back) on trade	Ç	500					Č	(504)		800	Č	(177)
receivables	2	(101)		ı		ı	5.	(101)		(664)	2	(1//)

Segment revenue is analysed based on the location of customers regardless of where the services are produced. Total assets and capital expenditure are based on the geographical location of the assets. The following table presents revenue, total assets and capital expenditure information based on the geographical location of customers and assets:

			20000	36811161	acgillette assets		ים אונמי כי	capital expelluture	
Conti	nuing	Discon	tinued			Conti	nuing	Discon	Discontinued
2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015
000,\$\$	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000	S\$'000	2\$,000
7,730	8,514	•	1	7,706	908'9	1,577	262	•	ı
•	30	78	356	•	436	•	1	•	52
	1,810	237	1,185	•	13,151	•	1	84	1,194
14	20	•	1	271	274	•	1	•	1
7,744	10,404	315			20,167	1,577	262	84	1,246
	2016 2016 \$\$'000 7,730 - - - 14		2015 ; \$4000 <b>S</b> \$\$'000 <b>S</b> \$\$'000 <b>S</b> \$14 30 1,810 50	2015 2016 2015 2016 2\$*000 \$\$*000 8,514	2015 2016 2015 \$\$'000 \$\$'000 \$\$'000 \$\$  8,514	2015 2016 2015 2016 S\$'000 S\$'	2015 2016 2015 2016 2015 20 S\$'000 S\$	2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016 <th< td=""><td>2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         <th< td=""></th<></td></th<>	2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015         2016         2015 <th< td=""></th<>

Revenue of S\$2.1 million (2015: S\$3.7 million) are derived from three (FY2015: three) external customers.

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

### (a) Financial risk management objectives and policies

The Group is exposed to credit risk, market risk (including foreign currency and interest rate risks) and liquidity risk in the normal course of the Group's business.

The Board of Directors has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework. The Group's risk management policies are established to set out its overall business strategies, tolerance of risk and general risk management philosophy. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and the Group's activities.

The carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities at the reporting date by categories are as follows:

	2016	2015
Group	S\$'000	S\$'000
Loans and receivable at amortised cost		
Trade receivables	1 170	4.072
	1,179	4,973
Other receivables	1,935	1,838
Cash and cash equivalents	2,768	3,690
	5,882	10,501
Financial liabilities at amortised cost		
Trade and other payables	4,064	9,261
Borrowings	_	1,099
Finance lease liabilities	1,834	1,159
	5,898	11,519
Company		
Loans and receivable at amortised cost		
Trade receivables	201	16
Amounts due from subsidiary corporations (current)	2,816	5,726
Other receivables	1,372	160
Cash and cash equivalents	1,944	2,785
·	6,333	8,687
Financial liabilities at amortised cost		
	ว วาง	2.650
Trade and other payables	3,228	3,650
Amounts due to subsidiary corporations	100	2,173
Finance lease liabilities	108	145
	3,336	5,968

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that counterparties may default on their contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Group. The Group's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables.

The Group manages credit risk by monitoring credit-worthiness and limiting the aggregate risk to any individual counterparty.

The Group has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties as a means of mitigating the risk of financial loss from such defaults. The Group does not require collateral from its customers.

Cash balances and fixed deposits are placed with reputable financial institutions of high credit ratings.

The Group establishes an allowance for impairment that represents its estimate of incurred losses in respect of trade and other receivables. The main components of this allowance are a specific loss component that relates to individually significant exposures.

The allowance account in respect of trade and other receivables is used to record impairment losses unless the Group is satisfied that no recovery of the amount owing is possible. At that point, the financial asset is considered irrecoverable and the amount charged to the allowance account is written off against the carrying amount of the impaired financial asset.

The trade receivable of the Group comprise 2 debtors (2015: 4 debtors) that individually represented 5-10% of trade receivables.

The credit risk for trade and other receivables after allowance for impairment losses by geography is as follows:

	Gro	oup	Com	pany
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Trade receivables				
By geographical areas				
Singapore	1,177	1,219	201	16
China and Hong Kong	-	3,675	-	-
Others	2	79	-	
	1,179	4,973	201	16

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (b) Credit risk (cont'd)

	Gro	oup	Com	pany
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Other receivables				
By geographical areas				
Singapore	1,934	1,186	1,372	144
Malaysia	-	269	-	-
China and Hong Kong	-	308	-	-
Others	1	75	-	
	1,935	1,838	1,372	144

### <u>Impairment losses</u>

No aging analysis is presented for other receivables as they are not on credit terms. The ageing of project receivable and trade receivables that were not impaired at the reporting date was:

	Gro	oup	Com	pany
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Trade receivables				
Not past due and not impaired	528	503	201	16
Past due less than 3 months	325	2,287	-	-
Past due more than 3 months but less than 6 months	150	386	_	-
Past due more than 6 months but less than 12 months	81	311	_	-
Past due more than 12 months	95	1,486	-	-
	1,179	4,973	201	16
Other receivables				
Not past due and not impaired	1,935	1,838	1,372	144

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (b) Credit risk (cont'd)

### Impairment losses (cont'd)

The following is an analysis of the movements in impairment losses in respect of project receivable, trade receivables and other receivables:

	Gro	oup	Com	pany
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Impairment loss – Project receivable				
At 1 August	8,265	8,265	_	-
Amount utilised	(8,265)	-	-	-
At 31 July		8,265	-	-
Impairment loss – Trade receivables				
At 1 August	49,996	50,767	-	-
Amount utilised	(49,896)	(771)	-	-
At 31 July	100	49,996	-	-
Impairment loss – Other receivables				
At 1 August	13,821	13,821	-	4,269
Amount utilised	(13,821)	-	-	-
At 31 July	-	13,821	-	4,269

As of 31 July 2016, trade and other receivables of S\$0.1 million were impaired (2015: trade receivable-S\$50.0 million, project receivable-S\$8.3 million and other receivable-S\$13.8 million). The individually impaired receivables mainly relate to overdue customer balances which are not considered recoverable.

The impairment losses recognised and written back during the year are included as part of other expenses.

Except as disclosed above, management believes that no additional impairment allowance is necessary on the Group's receivables past due and not past due as at 31 July 2016 based on payment histories and the counterparties' credit standing.

### Exposure to credit risk

As the Company and the Group do not hold any collateral, the maximum exposure to credit risk for each class of financial instruments is the carrying amount of that class of financial instruments presented on the statement of financial position.

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (c) Market risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices, such as foreign exchange rates and interest rates will have on the Group's income or the value of its holdings of financial instruments. The objective of market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters, while optimising the return on risk.

### Foreign currency risk

The Group is exposed to currency risk on sales and purchases that are denominated in a currency other than the respective functional currencies of Group entities. The currencies in which these transactions primarily are denominated are the United States dollar ("USD"), Australian dollar ("AUD"), Hong Kong dollar ("HKD") and Chinese Renminbi ("RMB").

Such risks are managed by matching sales with corresponding purchases, and assets and liabilities in the same currencies. The Group does not enter into currency options and does not use forward exchange contracts to protect against volatility associated with foreign currency sales and purchases.

The Group is also exposed to currency translation risk on its net investments in foreign operations. Such exposures are reviewed and monitored on a regular basis.

The Group's exposure to foreign currencies is as follows:

Group						Other	
SGD equivalent	USD S\$'000	AUD S\$'000	RM S\$'000	HKD S\$'000	RMB S\$'000	currencies S\$'000	Total S\$'000
our equivalent	54 000	54 000	54 000	54 000	54 000	54 000	54 000
At 31 July 2016							
Financial assets:							
Trade and other receivables	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Cash and cash equivalents	-	116	-	-	-	1	117
Financial liabilities:							
Trade and other payables	(318)	-	-	-	-	(45)	(363)
Net currency exposure	(318)	118	-	-	-	(44)	(244)
At 31 July 2015							
Financial assets:							
Trade and other receivables	-	4	(7)	931	2,744	82	3,754
Cash and cash equivalents	-	51	11	5	22	-	89
Pinancial Babilities.							
Financial liabilities:	(55.4)		(4.50)		(2.40)		(4.05.4)
Trade and other payables	(554)		(152)		(348)	-	(1,054)
Net currency exposure	(554)	55	(148)	936	2,418	82	2,789

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (c) Market risk (cont'd)

As at 31 July 2015 and 2016, the Company does not have foreign currency exposures as all its financial assets and financial liabilities are denominated in Singapore dollars which is its functional currency.

### Sensitivity analysis - Foreign currency risk

A 5% strengthening of the above currencies against the functional currencies of the respective Group entities at the reporting date would have increased/decreased equity and profit or loss after tax by the amounts shown below. This analysis is based on foreign currency exchange rate variances that the Group considered to be reasonably possible at the end of the reporting period. The analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant and does not take into account the associated tax effects.

A 5% weakening of the above currencies against the functional currencies of the respective Group entities would have had the equal but opposite effect on the above currencies to the amounts shown above, on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

<u>Group</u>						Other	
SGD equivalent	USD S\$'000	AUD S\$'000	RM S\$'000	HKD S\$'000	RMB S\$'000	currencies S\$'000	Total S\$'000
<u>2016</u>							
Increase in profit after tax	13	(5)	-	-	-	2	10
Increase in equity	(13)	5	-	-	-	(2)	(10)
<u>2015</u>							
Increase in profit after tax	(23)	3	(6)	39	100	3	(116)
Increase in equity	(23)	3	(6)	39	100	3	116

### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Group is exposed to interest rate risk in respect of variable rate bank loans, bank overdrafts and fixed deposits previously. However, during the financial year, the Group has no significant interest-bearing liabilities, the Group's income is substantially independent of changes in market interest rates.

### <u>Sensitivity analysis - Interest rate risk</u>

A change of 50 basis points (bp) in interest rates on variable rate borrowings and fixed deposits at the reporting date would have increased/decreased equity and profit or loss before tax by the amounts shown below. This analysis has not taken into account the associated tax effects and assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant.

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (c) Market risk (cont'd)

Sensitivity analysis - Interest rate risk (cont'd)

	Increase/	(decrease)	Increase/	( <u>decrease)</u>
	<u>in loss b</u>	<u>efore tax</u>	<u>in e</u>	<u>quity</u>
	50 bp	50 bp	50 bp	50 bp
	increase	decrease	increase	decrease
Group	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
31 July 2015				
Variable rate fixed deposits	(2)	2	2	(2)
Borrowings	(2)	(1)	(1)	(2)
DOLLOWINGS		1	(1)	(1)
	(1)	I	I	(1)

### Market price risk

Price risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market prices.

The Group does not hold any quoted or marketable financial instruments, and is not exposed to any movement in market prices.

### (d) Liquidity risk

The Group actively manages its debt maturity profile, operating cash flows and the availability of funding so as to ensure that all refinancing, repayment and funding needs are met. As part of the overall prudent liquidity management, the Group maintains sufficient level of cash to meet its working capital requirement. In addition, the Group strives to maintain a level of credit facilities deemed adequate by management to finance the Group's operations and to mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows.

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (d) Liquidity risk (cont'd)

The table below analyses the maturity profile of the Group's and Company's financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted cash flows, including estimated interest payment.

		Cor	ntractual undis	counted cash flo	ows
	Carrying		Less than	Between 2	Over
	amount	Total	1 year	and 5 years	5 years
	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Group					
At 31 July 2016					
Trade and other payables	4,064	4,064	4,064	-	-
Finance lease liabilities	1,834	2,069	578	1,485	6
	5,898	6,133	4,642	1,485	6
At 31 July 2015					
Trade and other payables	9,261	9,261	9,261	-	-
Borrowings	1,099	1,099	1,099	-	-
Finance lease liabilities	1,159	1,219	884	314	21
	11,519	11,579	11,244	314	21
Company					
At 31 July 2016					
Trade and other payables	3,228	3,228	3,228	-	-
Finance lease liabilities	108	126	31	95	-
	3,336	3,354	3,259	95	-
At 31 July 2015					
Trade and other payables	3,650	3,650	3,650	-	-
Finance lease liabilities	145	171	38	133	-
	3,795	3,821	3,688	133	_

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### 25 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

### (e) Fair values of financial instruments

### Fair value hierarchy

The table below analyses financial instruments carried at fair value, by valuation method. The different levels have been defined 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 assets or liability that are not based on observable market date.

### Finance lease liabilities

The fair values of finance lease liabilities are estimated by discounting expected future cash flows, discounted at market interest rates for similar types of lease agreements at the reporting date.

### Financial assets and liabilities

The notional amounts of financial assets and liabilities with a maturity of less than one year (including trade and other receivables, balances with related parties, cash and cash equivalents, trade and other payables, current borrowings) approximate their fair values because of the short period to maturity.

The aggregate net fair values of financial assets and liabilities which are not carried at fair value in the statement of financial position as at 31 July are presented in the following table:

	201	16	201	15
	Carrying	Fair	Carrying	Fair
	amount	value	amount	value
	<b>S\$'000</b>	S\$'000	S\$'000	S\$'000
Group				
Finance lease liabilities	1,834	2,070	1,159	1,140
Company				
Finance lease liabilities	108	127	145	139

The fair values are within level 2 of the fair value hierarchy.

The carrying amount less impairment provision of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values. The carrying amount of current borrowings approximates their fair value.

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### 26 SIGNIFICANT RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

### **Identity of related parties**

In addition to the related party information disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, there were no significant transactions between the Group entities during the year on terms agreed between the parties.

### 27 EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION DATE

- (a) The Group announced on 27 May 2016 and 2 June 2016 that it will enter into a joint-venture with Sheng Siong Group Ltd and Kunming LuChen Group Co Ltd. Under the Joint Venture Agreement, the Group will subscribe for 10% of the equity interest in the Joint Venture Company (the "JVC") for a cash consideration of US\$1.0 million. As at the date of this report, the Group has paid up US\$0.5 million as capital contribution to the JVC. The JVC will be accounted for as an Investment in associated company in the Group's consolidated financial statements.
- (b) On 11 June 2016, the Group entered into a conditional sale and purchase agreement with Mr Shaun Lee Hong Wei ("Vendor") in respect of the Company's (or its nominee company's) proposed acquisition ("Proposed Acquisition") of 14,000 ordinary shares representing 70% of the entire issued share capital of Amplify Me Pte. Ltd. ("Amplify") for a sale consideration of S\$1.0 million, payable in 2 equal parts to the Vendor by cash and by issuance of 666,666 shares of the Company. The Proposed Acquisition was approved by the Shareholders at the Extraordinary General Meeting that was convened on 13 October 2016. Upon completion of the Proposed Acquisition, Amplify will be accounted for as a subsidiary corporation of the Group.
- (c) The Group incorporated A-Smart Media Pte Ltd on 11 October 2016. A-Smart Media Pte Ltd is a wholly owned subsidiary corporation incorporated in Singapore, with a paid up capital of \$\$10,000 and its intended principal activities are those related to publishing and event management.

### 28 COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with current year financial statement presentation on discontinued operations.

### 29 AUTHORISATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the Group and the Company for the financial year ended 31 July 2016 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the directors on 7 November 2016.

## Statistics of **Shareholdings**As at 28 October 2016

Number of Shares:106,912,080Class of Shares:Ordinary sharesVoting Rights:One Vote per share

As at 28 October 2016, the Company does not have any Treasury Share.

### **Distribution of Shareholdings**

Size of Shareholdings	No. of Shareholders	%	No. of Shares	%
1 - 99	5,986	42.89	227,521	0.21
100 - 1,000	5,171	37.05	1,670,588	1.56
1,001 - 10,000	2,240	16.05	7,504,004	7.02
10,001 - 1,000,000	551	3.95	30,061,042	28.12
1,000,001 and above	9	0.06	67,448,925	63.09
Total	13,957	100.00	106,912,080	100.00

### **Twenty Largest Shareholders**

No.	Name	No. of Shares	%
1.	MA WEIDONG	45,714,000	42.76
2.	CITIBANK NOMINEES SINGAPORE PTE LTD	8,255,065	7.72
3.	MAYBANK KIM ENG SECURITIES PTE. LTD.	6,172,821	5.77
4.	WONG SIEW CHING	1,450,347	1.36
5.	UOB KAY HIAN PRIVATE LIMITED	1,270,715	1.19
6.	GOH CHUNG HEE	1,231,075	1.15
7.	MORGAN STANLEY ASIA (SINGAPORE) SECURITIES PTE LTD	1,199,325	1.12
8.	CHUA GEOK LIN	1,148,002	1.07
9.	NG SOH KIOW	1,007,575	0.94
10.	OW SONG CHUA	754,500	0.71
11.	YAP HUI MENG @ SIN HUI MENG	733,547	0.69
12.	OCBC SECURITIES PRIVATE LIMITED	722,422	0.68
13.	YEP GEE KUARN	700,000	0.65
14.	DBS NOMINEES (PRIVATE) LIMITED	610,060	0.57
15.	NG CHOONG KENG	565,835	0.53
16.	KOH CHEW LEONG	563,000	0.53
17.	YIP CHAN YONG	539,000	0.50
18.	KONG PAU FOOK	520,000	0.49
19.	RHB SECURITIES SINGAPORE PTE. LTD.	465,855	0.44
20.	KOH CHOON KIAT (XU JUNJIE)	425,000	0.40
	Total	74,048,144	69.27

### Statistics of **Shareholdings**

As at 28 October 2016

### **SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS**

(As recorded in the Register of Substantial Shareholders)

		Direct Int	<b>Deemed Interests</b>		
No.	Name	No. of shares held	%	No. of shares held	%
1.	Ma Weidong <sup>(1)</sup>	45,714,000	42.76	353,000	0.33
2.	Tseng An Hsiung Andy <sup>(2)</sup>	-	_	7,879,674	7.37

### **Notes:**

- 1. Mr. Ma Weidong is deemed interested in 353,000 ordinary shares held by his spouse, Mrs Jin Li Yan by virtue of Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50.
- 2. Mr. Tseng An Tsiung Andy is deemed interested in:
  - a) 3,822,842 ordinary shares held by Wellspring Investment Ltd by virtue of Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50;
  - b) 44,800 ordinary shares held by his spouse, Mrs Tseng Shu Eng Eng by virtue of Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50; and
  - c) 4,012,032 ordinary shares held by Dai Dai Development International Holdings Limited by virtue of Section 7 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50.

### PERCENTAGE OF SHAREHOLDING IN PUBLIC'S HANDS

As at 28 October 2016, 48.6% of the Company's shares are held in the hands of public. Accordingly, the Company has complied with Rule 723 of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST which requires 10% of the equity securities (excluding preference shares and convertible equity securities) in a class that is listed to be in the hands of the public.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual General Meeting of A-Smart Holdings Ltd. ("**Company**") will be held at 25 Tai Seng Avenue, #01-01 KOP Building, Singapore 534104, on Wednesday, 30 November 2016 at 10.00 a.m. to transact the following business:

### **AS ORDINARY BUSINESS**

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Statement and the Audited Financial Statements of the Company and the Group for the financial year ended 31 July 2016 together with the Auditors' Report thereon.

(Resolution 1)

2. To re-elect the following Directors of the Company retiring pursuant to Regulation 94(2) of the Constitution of the Company:

Mr. Ma Weidong
Mr. Sam Chong Keen

(Resolution 2)
(Resolution 3)

[See Explanatory Note (i)]

- 3. To approve the payment of Directors' fees of S\$123,000 for the financial year ended 31 July 2016 (2015: S\$137,962). (Resolution 4)
- 4. To re-appoint Messrs Nexia TS Public Accounting Corporation as the Auditors of the Company and to authorise the Directors of the Company to fix their remuneration. (**Resolution 5**)
- 5. To transact any other ordinary business which may properly be transacted at an Annual General Meeting.

### **AS SPECIAL BUSINESS**

To consider and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, with or without any modifications:

6. Authority to issue shares in the capital of the Company pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Rule 806 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited

That pursuant to Section 161 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Rule 806 of the Listing Manual of the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading Limited ("SGX-ST"), the Directors of the Company be authorised and empowered to:

- (a) (i) issue shares in the Company ("**shares**") whether by way of rights, bonus or otherwise; and/or
  - (ii) make or grant offers, agreements or options (collectively, "Instruments") that might or would require shares to be issued, including but not limited to the creation and issue of (as well as adjustments to) options, warrants, debentures or other instruments convertible into shares,

at any time and upon such terms and conditions and for such purposes and to such persons as the Directors of the Company may in their absolute discretion deem fit; and



(b) (notwithstanding the authority conferred by this Resolution may have ceased to be in force) issue shares in pursuance of any Instrument made or granted by the Directors of the Company while this Resolution was in force,

(the "Share Issue Mandate")

### provided that:

- (1) the aggregate number of shares (including shares to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution) and Instruments to be issued pursuant to this Resolution shall not exceed fifty per centum (50%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below), of which the aggregate number of shares and Instruments to be issued other than on a *pro rata* basis to existing shareholders of the Company shall not exceed twenty per centum (20%) of the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company (as calculated in accordance with sub-paragraph (2) below);
- (2) (subject to such calculation as may be prescribed by the SGX-ST) for the purpose of determining the aggregate number of shares and Instruments that may be issued under subparagraph (1) above, the percentage of issued shares and Instruments shall be based on the number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the time of the passing of this Resolution, after adjusting for:
  - (a) new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of the Instruments or any convertible securities;
  - (b) new shares arising from exercising share options or vesting of share awards outstanding and subsisting at the time of the passing of this Resolution; and
  - (c) any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares;
- (3) in exercising the Share Issue Mandate conferred by this Resolution, the Company shall comply with the provisions of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST for the time being in force (unless such compliance has been waived by the SGX-ST) and the Articles of Association of the Company; and
- (4) unless revoked or varied by the Company in a general meeting, the Share Issue Mandate shall continue in force (i) until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held, whichever is earlier or (ii) in the case of shares to be issued in pursuance of the Instruments, made or granted pursuant to this Resolution, until the issuance of such shares in accordance with the terms of the Instruments.

[See Explanatory Note (ii)]

(Resolution 6)

By Order of the Board

Shirley Tan Sey Liy Company Secretary Singapore, 14 November 2016



### **Explanatory Notes:**

- (i) Mr. Ma Weidong will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, remain as a member of the Remuneration Committee and Nominating Committee.
  - Mr. Sam Chong Keen will, upon re-election as a Director of the Company, remain as the Lead Independent Director, member of the Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee and Nominating Committee and will be considered independent pursuant to Rule 704(8) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.
- (ii) The Ordinary Resolution 6 in item 6 above, if passed, will empower the Directors of the Company from the date of this AGM until the date of the next AGM of the Company, or the date by which the next AGM of the Company is required by law to be held or such authority is varied or revoked by the Company in a general meeting, whichever is the earlier, to issue shares, make or grant instruments convertible into shares and to issue shares pursuant to such instruments, up to a number not exceeding in total fifty per cent (50%) of the total number of issued shares in the capital of the Company, of which up to twenty per cent (20%) may be issued other than on a pro rata basis to shareholders.

For determining the aggregate number of shares that may be issued, the percentage of issued shares in the capital of the Company will be calculated based on the total number of issued shares (excluding treasury shares) in the capital of the Company at the time this Resolution is passed after adjusting for new shares arising from the conversion or exercise of the Instruments or any convertible securities, the exercise of share options or the vesting of share awards outstanding or subsisting at the time when this Resolution is passed and any subsequent consolidation or subdivision of shares.

### Notes:

- 1. A Member of the Company (other than a Relevant Intermediary\*) entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting (the "**Meeting**") is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a Member of the Company.
- 2. A Relevant Intermediary may appoint more than two proxies, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by him (which number and class of shares shall be specified).
- 3. Where a member of the Company appoint two proxies, he shall specify the proportion of his shareholding to be represented by each proxy in the instrument appointing the proxies.
- 4. If the member is a corporation, the instrument appointing the proxy must be executed under seal or the hand of its duly authorised officer or attorney.
- 5. The instrument appointing a proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company at 61 Tai Seng Avenue, Print Media Hub @ Paya Lebar iPark #03-03, Singapore 534167 not less than fortyeight (48) hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting.

### \* A Relevant Intermediary is:

- (a) a banking corporation licensed under the Banking Act (Chapter 19) or a wholly-owned subsidiary of such a banking corporation, whose business includes the provision of nominee services and who holds shares in that capacity; or
- (b) a person holding a capital markets services licence to provide custodial services for securities under the Securities and Futures Act (Chapter 289) and who holds shares in that capacity; or
- (c) the Central Provident Fund Board established by the Central Provident Fund Act (Chapter 36), in respect of shares purchased under the subsidiary legislation made under that Act providing for the making of investments from the contributions and interest standing to the credit of members of the Central Provident Fund, if the Board holds those shares in the capacity of an intermediary pursuant to or in accordance with that subsidiary legislation.

### **Personal Data Privacy**

Where a member of the Company submits an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting and/or any adjournment thereof, a member of the Company (i) consents to the collection, use and disclosure of the member's personal data by the Company (or its agents) for the purpose of the processing and administration by the Company (or its agents) of proxies and representatives appointed for the Annual General Meeting (including any adjournment thereof) and the preparation and compilation of the attendance lists, proxy lists, minutes and other documents relating to the Annual General Meeting (including any adjournment thereof), and in order for the Company (or its agents) to comply with any applicable laws, listing rules, regulations and/or guidelines (collectively, the "Purposes"), (ii) warrants that where the member discloses the personal data of the member's proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) to the Company (or its agents), the member has obtained the prior consent of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the collection, use and disclosure by the Company (or its agents) of the personal data of such proxy(ies) and/or representative(s) for the Purposes, and (iii) agrees that the member will indemnify the Company in respect of any penalties, liabilities, claims, demands, losses and damages as a result of the member's breach of warranty.

### A-SMART HOLDINGS LTD.

(Company Registration No. 199902058Z) (Incorporated In the Republic of Singapore)

### **PROXY FORM**

(Please see notes overleaf before completing this Form)

### IMPORTANT:

- 1. An investor who holds shares under the Central Provident Fund Investment Scheme ("CPF Investor") and/or the Supplementary Retirement Scheme ("SRS Investors") (as may be applicable) may attend and cast his vote(s) at the Meeting in person. CPF and SRS Investors who are unable to attend the Meeting but would like to vote, may inform their CPF and/or SRS Approved Nominees to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting to act as their proxy, in which case, the CPF and SRS Investors shall be precluded from attending the Meeting.
- 2. This Proxy Form is not valid for use by CPF and SRS Investors and shall be ineffective for all intents and purposes if used or purported to be used by them.

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### Notes:

- 1. Please insert the total number of Shares held by you. If you have Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register (as defined in Section 81SF of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore), you should insert that number of Shares. If you have Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert that number of Shares. If you have Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and Shares registered in your name in the Register of Members, you should insert the aggregate number of Shares entered against your name in the Depository Register and registered in your name in the Register of Members. If no number is inserted, the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies shall be deemed to relate to all the Shares held by you.
- 2. A member of the Company who is not a Relevant Intermediary entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Company is entitled to appoint not more than two proxies to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company.
- 3. Where a member who is not a Relevant Intermediary appoints two proxies, the appointments shall be invalid unless he/she specifies the proportion of his/her shareholding (expressed as a percentage of the whole) to be represented by each proxy.
- 4. A member who is a Relevant Intermediary may appoint more than two proxies, but each proxy must be appointed to exercise the rights attached to a different share or shares held by him (which number and class of shares shall be specified).
- 5. Subject to note 9, completion and return of this instrument appointing a proxy shall not preclude a member from attending and voting at the Meeting. Any appointment of a proxy or proxies shall be deemed to be revoked if a member attends the meeting in person, and in such event, the Company reserves the right to refuse to admit any person or persons appointed under the instrument of proxy to the Meeting.
- 6. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be deposited at the registered office of the Company at 61 Tai Seng Avenue, Print Media Hub @ Paya Lebar iPark #03-03, Singapore 534167 not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the time appointed for the Meeting.
- 7. The instrument appointing a proxy or proxies must be under the hand of the appointor or of his attorney duly authorised in writing. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by a corporation, it must be executed either under its seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised. Where the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies is executed by an attorney on behalf of the appointor, the letter or power of attorney or a duly certified copy thereof must be lodged with the instrument.
- 8. A corporation which is a member may authorise by resolution of its directors or other governing body such person as it thinks fit to act as its representative at the Meeting, in accordance with Section 179 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 of Singapore.
- 9. An investor who holds shares under the Central Provident Fund Investment Scheme ("CPF Investor") and/or the Supplementary Retirement Scheme ("SRS Investors") (as may be applicable) may attend and cast his vote(s) at the Meeting in person. CPF and SRS Investors who are unable to attend the Meeting but would like to vote, may inform their CPF and/or SRS Approved Nominees to appoint the Chairman of the Meeting to act as their proxy, in which case, the CPF and SRS Investors shall be precluded from attending the Meeting.

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### **General:**

The Company shall be entitled to reject the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies if it is incomplete, improperly completed or illegible, or where the true intentions of the appointor are not ascertainable from the instructions of the appointor specified in the instrument appointing a proxy or proxies. In addition, in the case of Shares entered in the Depository Register, the Company may reject any instrument appointing a proxy or proxies lodged if the member, being the appointor, is not shown to have Shares entered against his name in the Depository Register as at seventy-two (72) hours before the time appointed for holding the Meeting, as certified by The Central Depository (Pte) Limited to the Company.

### **Personal Data Privacy:**

By submitting an instrument appointing a proxy(ies) and/or representative(s), the member accepts and agrees to the personal data privacy terms set out in the Notice of Annual General Meeting dated 14 November 2016.



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