



**SOUTHERN ALLIANCE MINING LTD.** 

# FY2023 CORPORATE PRESENTATION



## **Key Investor Takeaways**

#### Capturing the multi-year growth potential within the mining industry



Supportive industry and macroeconomic prospects



- Strong prospects of stable demand for iron ore from China as it moves on a recovery path
- Gold has historically performed well amid high inflation
- Rare Earth Elements (REE) have applications across multiple growing industries like semiconductors

Expansion, diversification, and optimization strategy



- ▶ Iron ore resources doubled from 6.3Mt as of 31 July 2021 to 15.7Mt as of 31 July 2022.
- Drilling activities have indicated significant mineralisation at the Tenggaroh Gold Mine
- Signed 2 Memorandums of Understanding ("MOU") to venture into rare earth mining in Malaysia

Investing in the future to increase shareholder value



- FY2023 revenue of RM71.9 million (vs. RM52.2 million in 1H FY2023)
- ➤ The decrease in the production of iron ore concentrate in FY2023 was due to:
  - Intense overburden removal activities in accordance with the Group's mining schedule.
  - The transition from open pit mining to underground mining.
- Exploration activities and resource conversions are continuing as planned

## **Long-term Strategy**

## Investing into the future with strategic diversification and expansion

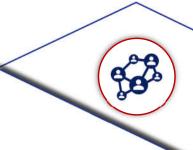




#### **Promote**

#### **Expansion**

- **Exploration Activities**
- Inorganic Growth
- Capture Market Share
- High-quality Products
- Market-ready Resources



#### Focus on

#### **Diversification**

- **Broader Mineral Base**
- Sustainable Earnings
- Reduced Reliance on Iron Ore
- Risk Management



#### **Further**

#### **Optimisation**

- **Efficient Capital Allocation**
- Cost Minimisation
- Operational Efficiency
- Safe operating environment
- ESG-considerations

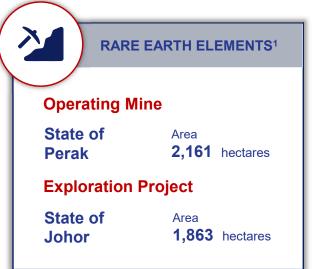
#### **A Diversified Portfolio**

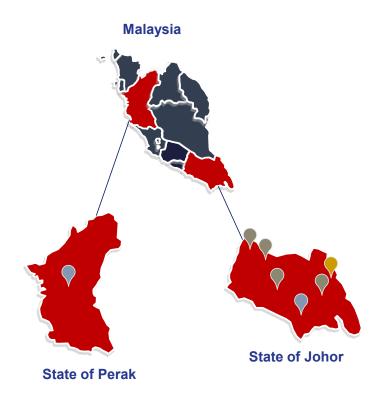
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### Well-diversified operations to improve earnings in the future





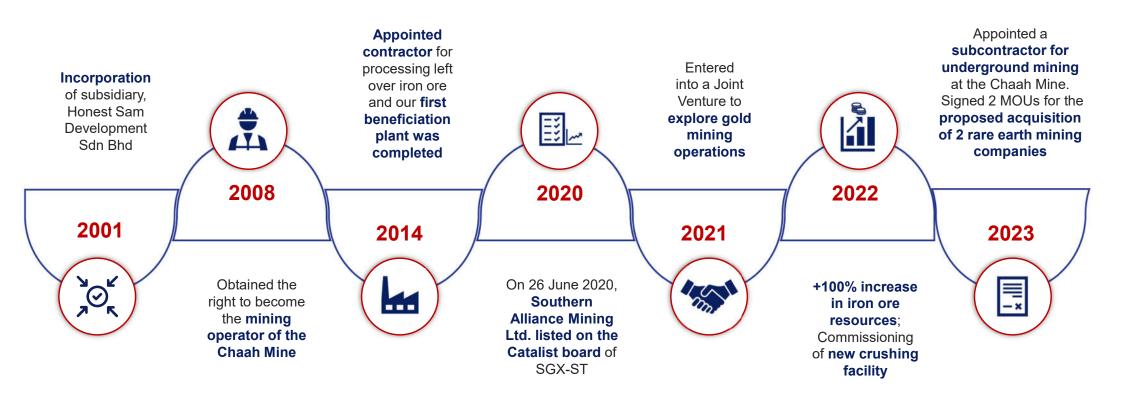




## **Company Overview**



## >20 years of track record in the mining industry in Southeast Asia





#### **Overview**

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### Incorporated in 2001, grown to a S\$337.4m iron ore mining company

#### AT A Glance



Involved in the exploration, mining, processing and sale of iron ore and other minerals



Headquartered in **Pahang**, **Malaysia** with its iron ore mine, the **Chaah Mine**, located in **Johor**, **Malaysia** 

7.7

million tonnes

**Total iron ore production** from Chaah Mine from 2008 to 31 July 2023



Constructed and fully commissioned a new 550-600 tonne per hour (TPH) crushing facility in FY2022

**15.7** 

million tonnes

Total iron ore resources more than doubled year-on-year in FY2022

+150m

strike extension

to the southern zone, underground mining contract commenced at the northern zone

## **Strategic Growth Initiative**

# Exploration activities in extension zones have yielded positive results

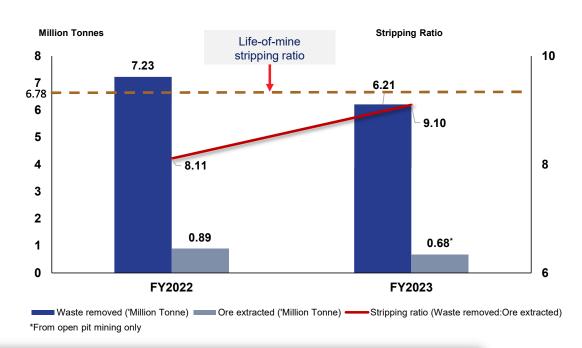


# UNDERGROUND MINING In the Northern Zone at the Chaah Mine



#### STRIPPING RATIOS

Life of mine stripping ratio vs actual stripping ratio

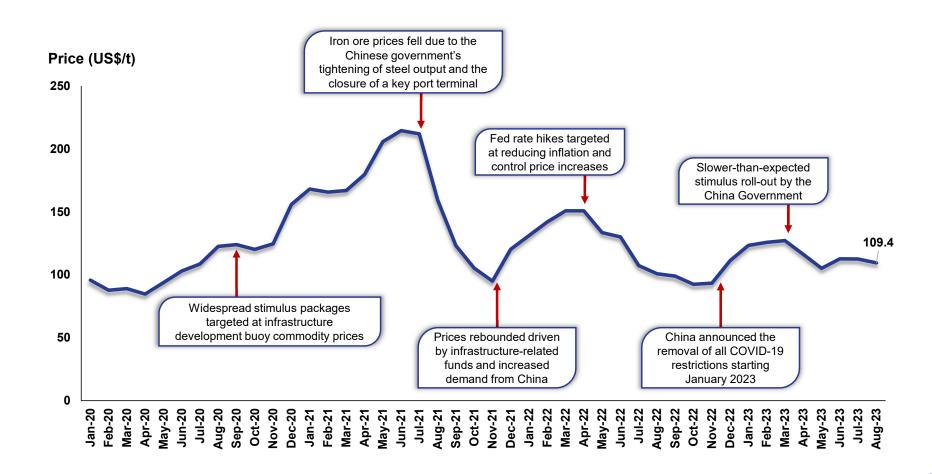


As per the IQPR dated 28 September 2022, the **Group's iron ore resources increased to 15.7Mt, more than double of FY2021**. The Group is now focused on **converting its resources to reserves** and is deploying a strategy to **transition from open pit mining to underground mining** for known mineral resources. This will help improve production reliability, cost efficiency and is also relatively more environmentally friendly.

#### **Iron Ore Price Trend**

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### Downward price pressure due to slower-than-expected China recovery



# Market Enablers for Iron Ore Iron ore prices face short-term global economic headwinds





# Potential for higher demand from China's steel industry

- Solid demand from infrastructure spending like railway, automotive and shipping is expected to offset the weakness in the real estate sector in China<sup>1</sup>.
- Large producers like BHP, Vale indicated bullish sentiments for China's demand outlook.



# Expected recovery in global supply

- ➢ Iron exports from Australia and Brazil estimated to grow by ~3.1% yoy in 2023².
- The world's largest iron ore producer Rio Tinto left its export guidance unchanged, despite China's economic concerns.<sup>3</sup>



## Cautiously optimistic outlook for iron ore

- Downward risk on prices if China's demand is unable to showcase a strong rebound and steel supply continues to further outweigh its demand.
- ➤ Iron ore prices will remain a point of contention for 2023 with steady exports to support China's expected demand.

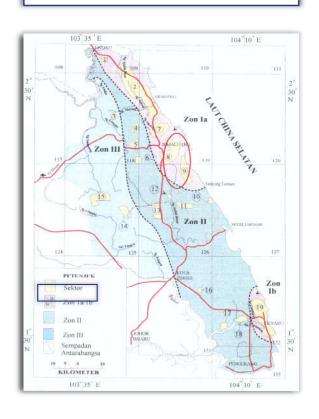


## **Strategic Growth Plans**

## **Promising progress witnessed at the Tenggaroh Gold Prospect**



## Zoning of Potential Areas of Mineralisation





- ➤ A comprehensive regional reconnaissance geochemical sampling program showed that prospective gold sectors in Zone I was the most significant.
- ➤ Exploration activities are being focused on the known mineralization areas of the Tenggaroh Prospect, which otherwise extends to slightly lesser than ¼ of the size of Singapore
- **Expansion plan**: The Group will look to add drilling machinery and additional manpower to support the growth

54.7%

of the samples

indicated significant gold mineralisation in the 31 trenches excavated in FY2023 Following this, the Group laid out a plan to drill 20 holes around the area

95.8%

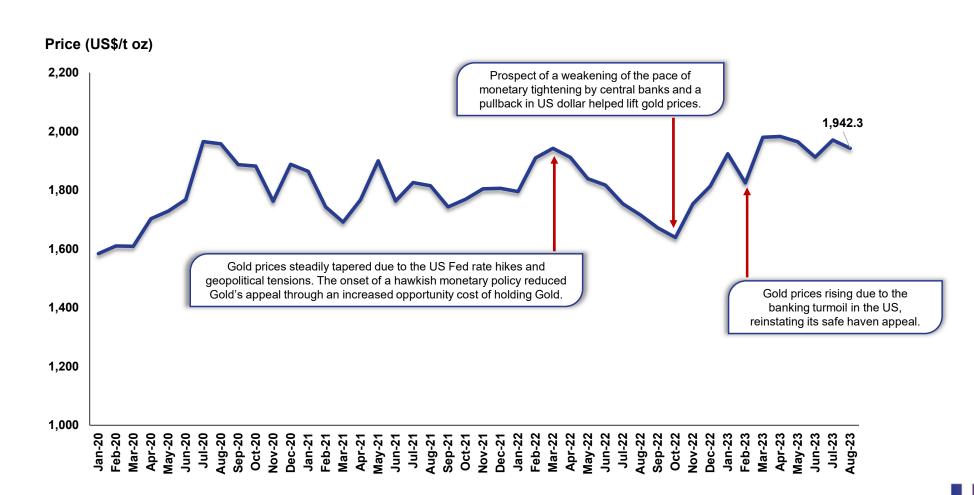
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marked the presence of significant gold mineralisation in the 9 drill holes made to date

#### **Gold Price Trend**

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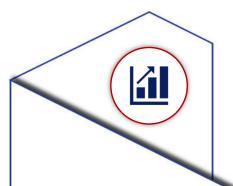
#### Prices rebounded due to slower rate hikes and a weaker US dollar



#### **Market Enablers for Gold**

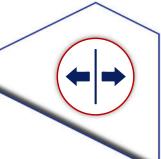
## Increased investments in gold as a safe-haven in economic uncertainty





# Robust demand-supply for Gold driving prices

- ➤ Both resolute investment and jewelry demand created a supportive environment for gold prices in 1H2023<sup>1</sup>.
- China's wholesale gold demand rebounded in 1Q2023 reflecting manufacturers' optimism for future consumption.<sup>2</sup>.



# Inverse relationship with the US-dollar

- ➢ As the US Dollar Index fell at the start of 2023, prices of Gold rose due to the negative correlation³.
  Eventual easing of monetary policy will weaken the US dollar further.
- ➤ Banks are bullish on gold in 2023 due to the debt vulnerabilities of the US.



# Investment Flows into Gold remain resilient

- Historically, periods of high inflation have been positive for the gold's price.3
- Investors rely on Gold to mitigate losses in volatile periods signaling steady investments in this commodity.

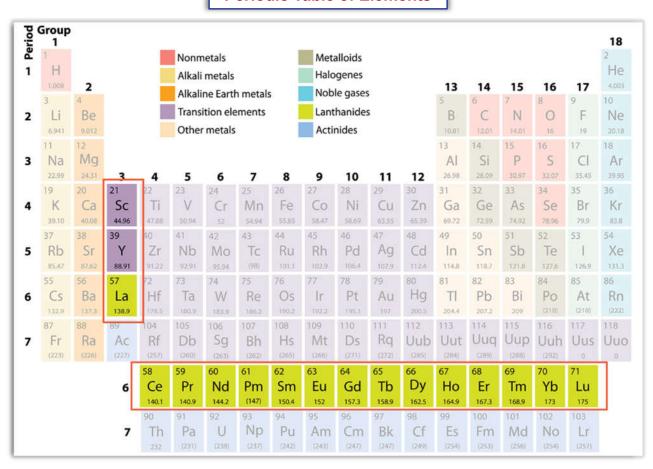


#### **Rare Earth Elements**

#### Rare Earth elements are used across various industries



#### **Periodic Table of Elements**





# About Rare Earth Elements (REE)

- > There are a total of 17 REE.
- Wide application in the manufacturing of modern electric vehicles, green energy generation, electronics like laptops and smartphones and high-performance airframes
- > Currently, China has the highest reserves of REE
- Non-Radioactive-REE (NR-REE) in Malaysia amounts to 15.188m MT with a value of around RM741b, and most are found in Kedah, Perak, Terengganu, Kelantan, Pahang, Johor.

# **Target Companies**

## MCRE Resources Sdn Bhd and Paramount Synergy Sdn Bhd



#### **MCRE**

**Resources Sdn Bhd** 





Involved in the exploration, mining, processing and sale of lanthanide Minerals and NE-REE



Headquartered in **Kuantan**, **Malaysia** with its mine located in the State of Perak

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Malaysian Company

to utilized advance mining method from China in Malaysia. 33,000

tonnes

estimated rare earth oxide of MCRE's explored mine area 2,161

hectare

estimated total mining area

**1.7** 

million tonnes

NR-REE in Perak currently with an estimated value of US\$

20.3

billion

Paramount
Synergy Sdn Bhd



1,863

hectares

Estimated area of identified mineralized zone

1,200

holes

drilled to date

Sources: Perak could be sitting on US\$20.25b of lanthanide rare earth bonanza, study shows,

## Strategic Advantages of the Acquisition

## Capturing market opportunity through MCRE's strong market positioning





A pioneer in rare earth mining in Malaysia; the only Malaysian company that has been granted exclusive rights by Chinese strategic partners.

A producing mine with estimated rare earth oxide of around 33,000 tonnes based on its environment impact assessment report.

The in-situ leaching method to extract NR-REE carbonates helps preserve the natural landscape with an overall low carbon emission footprint

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various industries
like semiconductor
as well as the
renewable energy
industries ensuring
growing demand in
the future

REE is used across

Further strengthen SAM's position as a diversified mining company to build a sustainable revenue

**Benefits to SAM** 

Aim to contribute to the Group's performance, allowing the Group to deliver better returns to its shareholders

Multi-year growth prospects

Diversification of income

Potential for greater shareholder value

MCRE's Strategic Advantage



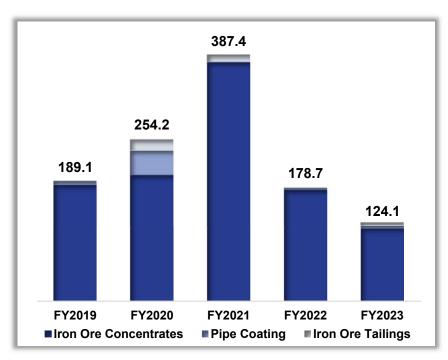
## **FY2023 Group Financial Performance**

#### Sequentially stronger second half with an increase in revenue

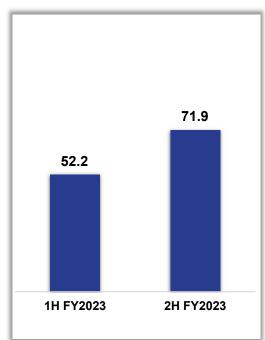


#### Group Revenue (RM million)

#### Year-on-year



#### Half-on-half





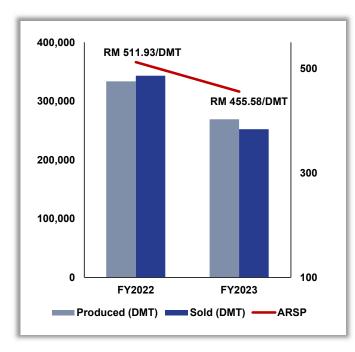
- ➤ FY2023 revenue decreased 30.6% to RM124.1 million due to lower sales volume and average realized selling price of iron ore concentrate.
- > The decrease in the production of iron ore concentrate was due to:
  - Intense overburden removal activities in accordance with the Group's mining schedule.
  - The transition from open pit mining to underground mining
- ➤ The Group reported a sequentially stronger second half with a 37.8% increase in revenue to RM71.9 and a gross profit of RM2.0 million for 2H FY2023 against the gross loss in 1H FY2023.

## **FY2023 Group Financial Performance**

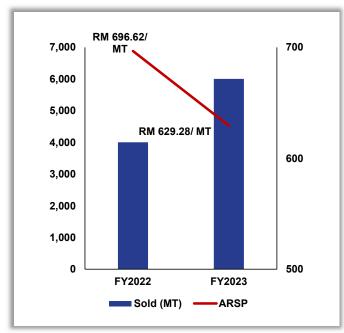




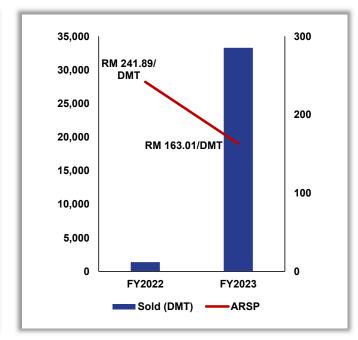
Iron Ore
Concentrates



Iron Ore Crushed



Iron Ore **Tailings** 

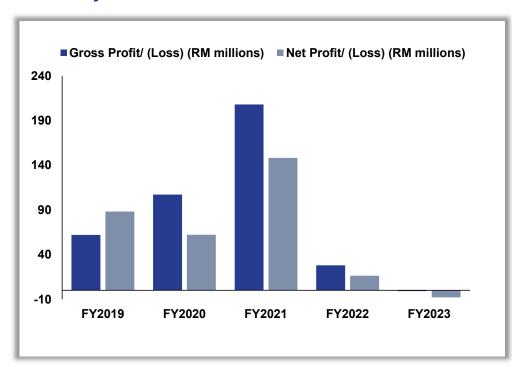


# **FY2023 Group Financial Performance**Lower profits for FY2023 with sequential improvement in 2H FY2023

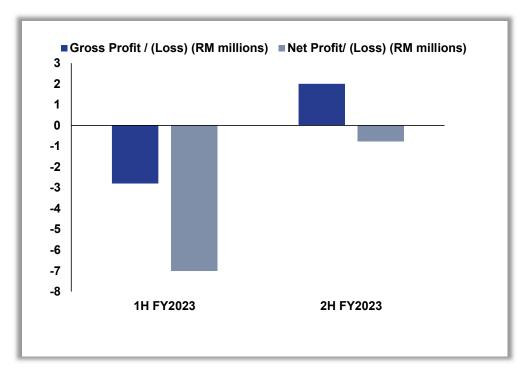


#### Gross and Net Profit / (Loss)

Year-on-year



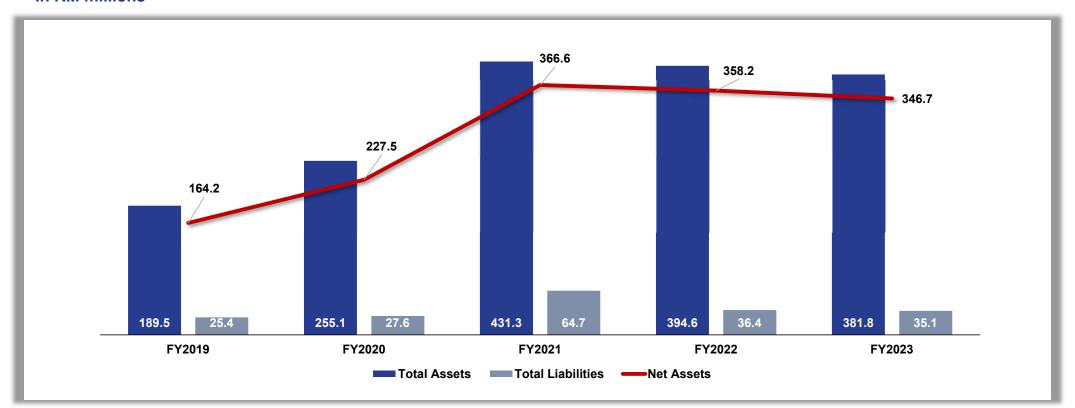
#### Half-on-half



# **FY2023 Group Financial Performance**Robust financial position with strong net assets



Balance Sheet In RM millions





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