

SINGAPURA FINANCE LTD
Co. Reg. No. 196900340N

Six Months And Full Year Financial Statements Announcement

A. Condensed interim and full year consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

Note	Group					
	6 months ended 31 Dec 2024	6 months ended 31 Dec 2023	+/-	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023	+/-
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%
	28,031	24,024	16.7	53,971	48,150	12.1
	(15,987)	(13,700)	16.7	(30,723)	(26,144)	17.5
	12,044	10,324	16.7	23,248	22,006	5.6
	273	268	1.9	542	478	13.4
	165	174	(5.2)	441	453	(2.6)
	12,482	10,766	15.9	24,231	22,937	5.6
	(5,132)	(4,294)	19.5	(9,352)	(8,326)	12.3
	(734)	(759)	(3.3)	(1,415)	(1,402)	0.9
	(2,822)	(2,949)	(4.3)	(5,633)	(5,634)	0.0
	(8,688)	(8,002)	8.6	(16,400)	(15,362)	6.8
	3,794	2,764	37.3	7,831	7,575	3.4
11	221	6	3,583.3	(494)	(54)	814.8
7	4,015	2,770	44.9	7,337	7,521	(2.4)
8	(679)	(562)	20.8	(1,243)	(1,365)	(8.9)
	3,336	2,208	51.1	6,094	6,156	(1.0)
	Other comprehensive income					
	<u>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss (net of tax):</u>					
	2,462	(282)	(973.0)	(48)	55	n.m.
	5,798	1,926	201.0	6,046	6,211	(2.7)
	<u>Earnings per share for the profit for the period attributable to the owners of the Company during the year:</u>					
	4.20	2.78		3.84	3.88	
	4.20	2.78		3.84	3.88	

n.m. – not meaningful

The Group's basic earnings per share is calculated based on the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue of 158,685,890 for the periods ended 31 December 2024 and 2023. There are no potential dilutive ordinary shares for the periods ended 31 December 2024 and 2023.

B. Condensed full year statements of financial position

	Note	Group		Company	
		31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets					
Cash and balances with banks	5	81,801	99,447	81,775	99,432
Statutory deposit with the Monetary Authority of Singapore("MAS")		28,610	22,019	28,610	22,019
Investments	10.2	207,763	203,911	207,763	203,911
Loans and advances	11	982,832	824,295	982,832	824,295
Others receivables, deposits and prepayments		3,072	2,510	3,069	2,510
Subsidiaries		-	-	125	125
Property, plant and equipment	12	6,587	7,710	6,587	7,710
Deferred tax asset		3,055	3,192	3,055	3,192
Total assets		1,313,720	1,163,084	1,313,816	1,163,194
Equity					
Share capital	13	168,896	168,896	168,896	168,896
Reserves		85,665	84,380	85,298	82,024
Total equity attributable to owners of the Company		254,561	253,276	254,194	250,920
Liabilities					
Deposits and savings accounts of customers	15	1,031,864	877,710	1,032,544	880,319
Trade and other payables		24,430	22,416	24,214	22,280
Borrowings from MAS	14	-	6,100	-	6,100
Current tax liabilities		2,027	2,239	2,026	2,232
Staff retirement gratuities		838	1,343	838	1,343
Total liabilities		1,059,159	909,808	1,059,622	912,274
Total equity and liabilities		1,313,720	1,163,084	1,313,816	1,163,194
Net Asset Value					
Net asset value per ordinary share (\$)		1.60	1.60	1.60	1.58

The net asset value per share is calculated based on the number of shares of 158,685,890 ordinary shares in issue at the end of 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023.

C. Condensed full year consolidated statement of cash flow:

	Note	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023
		\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit for the period		6,094	6,156
<u>Adjustments for:-</u>			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		1,415	1,402
Bad Debts written off		(21)	2
Allowances for impairment losses on loans and advances		494	54
Staff retirement gratuity		14	35
Interest expense on lease liabilities		499	543
Tax expense		1,243	1,365
		<u>9,738</u>	<u>9,557</u>
<u>Changes in working capital:</u>			
Statutory deposit with Monetary Authority of Singapore		(6,591)	1,426
Fixed Deposits with original maturity more than 3 months		4,046	(5,046)
Loans and advances		(159,010)	20,113
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments		(562)	(204)
Deposits and savings accounts of customers		154,154	(16,116)
Trade and other payables		2,702	9,129
		<u>4,477</u>	<u>18,859</u>
Cash from operations		4,477	18,859
Taxes paid		(1,309)	(1,757)
Staff retirement gratuity paid		(519)	(174)
		<u>2,649</u>	<u>16,928</u>
Net cash from operating activities		2,649	16,928
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(292)	(361)
Purchase of investments		(604,997)	(664,932)
Proceeds from sale and maturity of investments		601,088	652,614
		<u>(4,201)</u>	<u>(12,679)</u>
Net cash used in investing activities		(4,201)	(12,679)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Payment of lease liabilities		(1,187)	(1,051)
Dividends paid	9	(4,761)	(5,157)
Repayment on Borrowings from MAS	14	(6,100)	(3,900)
		<u>(12,048)</u>	<u>(10,108)</u>
Net cash used in from financing activities		(12,048)	(10,108)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(13,600)	(5,859)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of Period		91,401	97,260
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	5	<u>77,801</u>	<u>91,401</u>

D. Condensed full year statements of changes in equity – Group

	Note	Share Capital	Capital Reserve	Regulatory Loss Allowance Reserve	Statutory Reserve	Fair Value Reserve	General Reserve	Accumulated Profits	Total
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Group									
At 1 Jan 2024		168,896	1,353	718	86,018	(14,287)	730	9,848	253,276
Total comprehensive income for the period									
Profit for the period		-	-	-	-	-	-	6,094	6,094
Other comprehensive income									
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:									
Net change in fair value of debt investments measured at FVOCI		-	-	-	-	(58)	-	-	(58)
Tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		-	-	-	-	10	-	-	10
Total other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	(48)	-	-	(48)
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	-	-	(48)	-	6,094	6,046
Transaction with owners, recorded directly in equity									
Final dividend of 2 cents and Special dividend of 1 cent per share paid in respect of year 2023	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,761)	(4,761)
Total transactions with owners		-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,761)	(4,761)
Transfer from profit for the year to Statutory Reserve		-	-	-	2,030	-	-	(2,030)	-
Transfer from Regulatory Loss Allowance Reserve to accumulated profits		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Dec 2024		168,896	1,353	718	88,048	(14,335)	730	9,151	254,561
The Group									
At 1 Jan 2023		168,896	1,353	718	84,498	(14,342)	730	10,369	252,222
Total comprehensive income for the period									
Profit for the period		-	-	-	-	-	-	6,156	6,156
Other comprehensive income									
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:									
Net change in fair value of debt investments measured at FVOCI		-	-	-	-	66	-	-	66
Tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		-	-	-	-	(11)	-	-	(11)
Total other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	55	-	-	55
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	-	-	55	-	6,156	6,211
Transaction with owners, recorded directly in equity									
Final dividend of 2 cents and Special dividend of 1.25 cents per share paid in respect of year 2022	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,157)	(5,157)
Total transactions with owners		-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,157)	(5,157)
Transfer from profit for the year to Statutory Reserve		-	-	-	1,520	-	-	(1,520)	-
Transfer from Regulatory Loss Allowance Reserve to accumulated profits		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Dec 2023		168,896	1,353	718	86,018	(14,287)	730	9,848	253,276

FVOCI: Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income

D. Condensed full year statements of changes in equity – Company

	Note	Share Capital	Capital Reserve	Regulatory Loss Allowance Reserve	Statutory Reserve	Fair Value Reserve	General Reserve	Accumulated Profits	Total
		\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
The Company									
At 1 Jan 2024									
		168,896	1,353	718	86,018	(14,287)	730	7,492	250,920
Total comprehensive income for the period									
Profit for the period		-	-	-	-	-	-	8,083	8,083
Other comprehensive income									
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:									
Net change in fair value of debt investments measured at FVOCI		-	-	-	-	(58)	-	-	(58)
Tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		-	-	-	-	10	-	-	10
Total other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	(48)	-	-	(48)
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	-	-	(48)	-	8,083	8,035
Transaction with owners, recorded directly in equity									
Final dividend of 2 cents and Special dividend of 1 cent per share paid in respect of year 2023	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,761)	(4,761)
Total transactions with owners		-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,761)	(4,761)
Transfer from profit for the year to Statutory Reserve		-	-	-	2,030	-	-	(2,030)	-
Transfer from Regulatory Loss Allowance Reserve to accumulated profits		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Dec 2024									
		168,896	1,353	718	88,048	(14,335)	730	8,784	254,194
The Company									
At 1 Jan 2023									
		168,896	1,353	718	84,498	(14,342)	730	8,096	249,949
Total comprehensive income for the period									
Profit for the period		-	-	-	-	-	-	6,073	6,073
Other comprehensive income									
Items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:									
Net change in fair value of debt investments measured at FVOCI		-	-	-	-	66	-	-	66
Tax relating to items that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss		-	-	-	-	(11)	-	-	(11)
Total other comprehensive income		-	-	-	-	55	-	-	55
Total comprehensive income for the year		-	-	-	-	55	-	6,073	6,128
Transaction with owners, recorded directly in equity									
Final dividend of 2 cents and Special dividend of 1.25 cents per share paid in respect of year 2022	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,157)	(5,157)
Total transactions with owners		-	-	-	-	-	-	(5,157)	(5,157)
Transfer from profit for the year to Statutory Reserve		-	-	-	1,520	-	-	(1,520)	-
Transfer from Regulatory Loss Allowance Reserve to accumulated profits		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 Dec 2023									
		168,896	1,353	718	86,018	(14,287)	730	7,492	250,920

FVOCI: Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income

E. Notes to the condensed interim and full year consolidated financial statements

1. Corporate information

Singapura Finance Ltd (the Company) is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore and whose shares are publicly traded on the Mainboard of the Singapore Exchange. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements for the six months and full year ended 31 December 2024 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Group).

The principal activities of the Company are those relating to finance companies operating under the Finance Companies Act 1967.

2. Basis of Preparation

The condensed financial statements for the six months and full year ended 31 December 2024 have been prepared in accordance with SFRS(I) 1-34 Interim Financial Reporting issued by the Accounting Standards Council Singapore. The condensed interim financial statements do not include all the information required for a complete set of financial statements. However, selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in the Group's financial position and performance of the Group since the last interim financial statements for the period ended 30 June 2024.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year which were prepared in accordance with SFRS(I)s, except for the adoption of new and amended standards as set out in Note 2.1.

The condensed interim financial statements are presented in Singapore dollar which is the Group's functional currency.

2.1. New and amended standards adopted by the Group

The Group has applied the following SFRS(I)s, amendments to and interpretations of SFRS(I) for the first time for the annual period beginning on 1 January 2024:

- *SFRS(I) 17 Insurance contracts*
Amendments to :
- *SFRS(I) 1-1 and SFRS(I) Practice Statement 2: Disclosure of Accounting Policies*
- *SFRS(I) 1-8: Definition of Accounting Estimates*
- *SFRS(I) 1-12: Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single transaction*
- *SFRS(I) 1-12: International Tax Reform—Pillar Two Model Rules*

Other than the below, the application of these amendments to standards and interpretations does not have a material effect on the financial statements.

The accounting policies have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements by Group entities, except as explained above which addresses changes in material accounting policies.

2.2. Use of judgements and estimates

In preparing the condensed interim financial statements, management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expense. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The significant judgements made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those that applied to the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

3. Seasonal operations

The Group's businesses are not affected significantly by seasonal or cyclical factors during the financial period.

4. Segment and revenue information

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. The Group operates in only one segment. Its activities relate to financing business. All activities are carried out in the Republic of Singapore. Revenue in respect of these activities is disclosed in the financial statements accordingly.

5. Cash and balances with banks

	----- Group -----		----- Company -----	
	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Cash at banks and in hand	21,775	21,901	21,749	21,886
Fixed deposits with banks	60,026	77,546	60,026	77,546
Cash and balances with banks in the balance sheet	81,801	99,447	81,775	99,432
Less: Fixed deposits with original maturity more than 3 months	(4,000)	(8,046)	(4,000)	(8,046)
Cash and cash equivalents in the cash flow statement	77,801	91,401	77,775	91,386

6. Financial assets and financial liabilities

Set out below is an overview of the financial assets and financial liabilities of the Group as at 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023:

	----- Group -----		----- Company -----	
	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Financial Assets				
- At amortised cost				
Cash and balances with banks	81,801	99,447	81,775	99,432
Statutory deposit with Monetary Authority of Singapore ("MAS")	28,610	22,019	28,610	22,019
Loans and advances	982,832	824,295	982,832	824,295
Other receivables and deposits (excludes prepayments)	1,879	1,517	1,876	1,517
- At fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)				
Debt instruments	207,763	203,911	207,763	203,911
Unquoted equity instruments	*	*	*	*
	1,302,885	1,151,189	1,302,856	1,151,174
Financial Liabilities				
Deposits and savings accounts of customers	(1,031,864)	(877,710)	(1,032,544)	(880,319)
Trade and other payables	(24,430)	(22,416)	(24,214)	(22,280)
Borrowings from MAS	-	(6,100)	-	(6,100)
	(1,056,294)	(906,226)	(1,056,758)	(908,699)

*Amount less than S\$1,000

7. Profit before taxation

7.1. Significant items

	Group			
	6 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	6 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Interest income and hiring charges				
Interest income on:				
- loans and advances	23,349	19,326	44,884	38,931
- bank deposits	1,388	1,157	2,905	2,565
- Singapore Government Securities	3,294	3,541	6,182	6,654
	28,031	24,024	53,971	48,150
Interest expense				
Interest expense on customer deposits	15,956	13,696	30,690	26,135
Interest expense on Borrowings	31	4	33	9
	15,987	13,700	30,727	26,144
Other operating income				
Bad debts recovered	3	3	88	73
Others	162	171	353	380
	165	174	441	453
Staff costs				
Salaries and other benefits	4,547	3,907	8,298	7,535
Contributions to defined contribution plans	585	387	1,054	791
	5,132	4,294	9,352	8,326

All interest income and hiring charges relate to financial assets that are not fair value through profit or loss.

All interest expense relates to financial liabilities that are not fair value through profit or loss.

	Group			
	6 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	6 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Other operating expenses				
Audit fees :				
-auditors of the Company	97	89	183	171
Non-audit fees:				
-auditors of the Company	18	31	26	36
Interest expense on lease liabilities				
- related corporations	108	268	307	426
- third parties	94	88	192	117
Other operating expense paid to:				
- related corporations	23	28	53	53
- third parties	2,482	2,445	4,872	4,831
	2,822	2,949	5,633	5,634

7.2. Related party transactions

Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel compensation comprised the following:

	Group			
	6 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	6 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Directors' fees	255	290	520	580
Directors' Ex-Gratia	40	167	60	370
Short-term employee benefits	516	502	1,142	1,692
Staff Retirement gratuities	11	25	61	48

Total outstanding remuneration payable to personnel who are both Directors and Key management personnel amounted to \$1,434,000 (31 December 2023: \$2,861,000). Key management personnel refer to the Board of Directors and senior management of the Group.

Other transactions with related corporations

Other than transactions with related corporations separately disclosed in the financial statements, the following related party transaction was carried out in the normal course of business on terms agreed between the parties during the financial year:

	Group			
	6 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	6 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Interest on deposits paid to related parties	2,091	2,771	4,653	5,856
Rental and service charges paid to related parties	531	531	1,062	1,018

8. Taxation

The Group calculates the period income tax expense using the tax rate that would be applicable to the expected total annual earnings. The major components of income tax expense in the condensed interim consolidated statement of profit or loss are:

	Group			
	6 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	6 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2024 \$'000	12 months ended 31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Tax expense				
Current year	724	581	1,139	1,416
Overprovision in respect of prior year	(43)	-	(43)	-
	681	581	1,096	1,416
Deferred tax debit/(credit)				
Origination and reversal of temporary differences	(2)	(19)	147	(51)
	679	562	1,243	1,365

9. Dividend

The following exempt (one-tier) dividends were declared and paid by the Group and Company:

Group and Company

	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Paid by the Company to owners of the Company		
First and final		
2.0 cents per qualifying ordinary share (2023: 2.0 cents)	3,174	3,174
Special		
1.0 cents per qualifying ordinary share (2023: 1.25 cent)	1,587	1,983
	<u>4,761</u>	<u>5,157</u>
Dividend per share (net of tax) (cents)	3.00	3.25

10. Fair value of financial instruments

10.1. Fair value measurement

In assessing the fair value of financial instruments, the Group uses a variety of methods and make assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each reporting date.

Although management have employed their best judgement in the estimation of fair values, there is inevitably a significant element of subjectivity involved in the calculations. Therefore, the fair value estimates presented below are not necessarily indicative of the amounts the Group could have realised in a sales transaction at the reporting date. For financial assets and liabilities not carried at fair value on the financial statements, the Group has determined that their fair values were not materially different from the carrying amounts at the reporting date. The carrying amounts and fair values of financial instruments of the Group are described below.

The methodologies and assumptions used depend on the terms and risk characteristics of the various instruments and include the following:

Financial instruments for which fair value approximates the carrying amount

The carrying values of statutory deposit with the Monetary Authority of Singapore, other receivables and deposits, cash and balances with banks and trade and other payables, approximate their fair values as these balances are short-term in nature or are receivable or payable on demand.

Investment in Singapore Government Securities

The fair values of FVOCI-debt instruments are determined by reference to their quoted closing bid prices at the reporting date.

10.2 Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

The financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income comprise the following:

	Group and Company	
	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Investments		
Singapore Government Securities	207,763	203,911
Unquoted equity securities	*	*
	<u>207,763</u>	<u>203,911</u>

*Amount less than S\$1,000

10.3 Fair value hierarchy

The Group classifies financial assets measured at fair value using a fair value hierarchy which reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Group can access at the measurement date.
- 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).
- Level 3: unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

The following table presented the assets measured at fair value:

	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Group and Company				
Financial assets				
31 December 2024				
FVOCI investments	207,763	–	*	207,763
31 December 2023				
FVOCI investments	203,911	–	*	203,911

*Amount less than S\$1,000

11. Loans and advances

	Group and Company	
	31 Dec 2024 \$'000	31 Dec 2023 \$'000
Mortgage and other secured loans	761,955	605,503
Unsecured loans	5,283	9,270
Hire purchase receivables	244,120	237,495
	1,011,358	852,268
Unearned charges and interest	(21,575)	(21,204)
	989,783	831,064
Allowances for loan losses	(6,951)	(6,769)
	982,832	824,295
These comprise balances:		
Due within 12 months	143,574	93,363
Due after 12 months	839,258	730,932
	982,832	824,295

As at 31 December 2024, secured loans to directors (including immediate family members) of the Group and Company amounted to \$174,000 (2023: \$231,000).

The movements in the allowance for loan losses during the year was as follows:

	Group and Company			Total
	12-month ECL	Lifetime ECL- not credit impaired	Lifetime ECL – credit impaired	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Balance as at 1 Jan 2023	3,525	1,127	2,298	6,950
Allowances for/(write-back)	310	(219)	(37)	54
Amounts written off	-	-	(235)	(235)
Balance as at 31 Dec 2023	3,835	908	2,026	6,769
Allowances for/(write-back)	(773)	1,183	84	494
Amounts written off	-	-	(312)	(312)
Balance as at 31 Dec 2024	3,062	2,091	1,798	6,951

12. Property, plant and equipment

During the year ended 31 December 2024, the Group acquired property, plant and equipment amounting to \$292,000 (31 December 2023: \$361,000) and right-of-use assets of \$NIL (31 December 2023: \$1,463,000).

13. Share capital

	Group and Company			
	31 Dec 2024		31 Dec 2023	
	Number of shares	Amount	Number of shares	Amount
	'000	\$'000	'000	\$'000
Fully paid ordinary shares, with no par value:				
At the beginning and end of financial year	158,686	168,896	158,686	168,896

The Company did not hold any treasury shares as at 31 December 2024.

The Company's subsidiaries did not hold any shares in the Company as at 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023.

14. Borrowings from MAS

	Group and Company	
	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
	\$'000	\$'000
Due within 12 months	-	6,100
Due after 12 months	-	-
	-	6,100

Borrowings from MAS represents amounts advanced by MAS to the Group in order to partially finance the Enterprise Singapore (“ESG”) loan schemes for Small and Medium Enterprises (“SMEs”), administered by Enterprise Singapore. The ESG Loan Schemes comprise the Enhanced Enterprise Financing Scheme – SME Working Capital Loan (“EFS-WCL”) and the Temporary Bridging Loan Programme (“TBLP”). Borrowings from MAS SGD Facility is secured by assignment of eligible loan agreements as collaterals amounting to \$NIL (2023: \$7,271,000) as collaterals under ESG’s Enhanced Enterprise Financing Scheme.

15. Deposits and savings accounts of customers

These include deposits placed by subsidiaries amounting to \$680,000 (2023: \$2,609,000) in the Company and \$146,169,000 (2022: \$167,772,000) placed by related parties of the Group and the Company, accepted in the ordinary course of business.

16. Non-current assets and liabilities

Assets and liabilities other than those disclosed below are current.

	----- Group -----		----- Company -----	
	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets				
Investments	73,811	84,487	73,811	84,487
Loans and advances	839,258	730,932	839,258	730,932
Other receivables, deposits and prepayments	364	372	364	372
Subsidiaries	-	-	125	125
Property, plant and equipment	6,587	7,710	6,587	7,710
Deferred tax assets	3,055	3,192	3,055	3,192
	<u>923,075</u>	<u>826,693</u>	<u>923,200</u>	<u>826,818</u>
Liabilities				
Deposits and savings accounts of customers	20,052	119,649	20,052	119,649
Trade and other payables	980	1,383	980	1,383
Borrowings from MAS	-	-	-	-
Staff retirement gratuities	741	743	741	743
	<u>21,773</u>	<u>121,775</u>	<u>21,773</u>	<u>121,775</u>

17. Subsequent events

There are no known subsequent events which have led to adjustments to this set of interim financial statements.

Other information required by Listing Rule Appendix 7.2

1. Review

The condensed consolidated statement of financial position of Singapura Finance Ltd and its subsidiaries as at 31 December 2024 and the related condensed consolidated profit or loss and other comprehensive income, condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity and condensed statement of cash flows for the six-month period then ended and certain explanatory notes have not been audited or reviewed.

2. Review of performance of the Group

	2024 \$'000	2023 \$'000	Variance %
SELECTED INCOME STATEMENT ITEMS			
Net interest income	23,248	22,006	5.64
Non-interest income	983	931	5.59
Total income	24,231	22,937	5.64
Operating expenses	(16,400)	(15,362)	6.76
Profit from operations before allowances (Allowances)/Write-back on loan losses	7,831 (494)	7,575 (54)	3.39 814.81
Profit before tax	7,337	7,521	(2.45)
Taxation	(1,243)	(1,365)	(8.94)
Profit after tax attributable to shareholders	6,094	6,156	(1.01)
SELECTED BALANCE SHEET ITEMS			
Total equity	254,561	253,276	0.51
Total assets	1,313,720	1,163,084	12.95
Loans and advances (net of allowances)	982,832	824,295	19.23
Deposits and savings accounts of customers	1,031,864	877,710	17.56
KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS (%)			
Net interest margin	1.87	2.00	
Non-interest income ratio	4.06	4.06	
Cost-to-income ratio	67.68	66.98	
Loans-to-deposits ratio	95.25	93.91	
Non-performing loans ratio			
- Secured by collateral	2.70	3.08	
- Unsecured and fully provided for	0.18	0.25	
Return on equity ⁽¹⁾	2.39	2.43	
Return on total assets ⁽²⁾	0.46	0.53	
Capital adequacy ratio	24.91	29.31	
PER ORDINARY SHARE DATA			
Basic earnings per share (cents) ⁽³⁾	3.84	3.88	
Net asset value per share (\$)	1.60	1.60	

⁽¹⁾ Return on equity is computed based on ordinary shareholders' equity at balance sheet date.

⁽²⁾ Return on total assets is computed based on total assets as at balance sheet date.

⁽³⁾ The Group's basic earnings per share for year ended 31 Dec 2024 and 31 Dec 2023 are calculated based on profit after tax on weighted average of 158,685,890 shares in issue.

Second Half 2024

For the second half of 2024, the Group recorded a profit after tax of \$3.3 million, an increase of 51.1% as compared to the same period last year. The stronger performance was primarily attributed to higher net interest income.

Net interest income and hiring charges increased by 16.7% to \$12.0 million compared to the previous corresponding period as the rise in interest income outpaced the increase in cost of deposits. Total operating expenses increased by 8.6% to \$8.7 million largely from higher staff costs.

Net charge for impairment losses on loans and advances amount to \$0.2 million as compared to net charge of \$0.01 million during the same period last year. The Group continues to set aside adequate specific and collective allowances in respect of its loan portfolio.

Full Year 2024

For the year ended 31 December 2024, the Group recorded a profit after tax of \$6.1 million, a decline of 1.0% compared to last year. The weaker performance primarily attributable to the increase in higher impairment losses on loans and advances.

Net interest income and hiring charges rose by 5.6% to \$23.2 million compared to \$22.0 million last year. Total interest income rose by \$5.8m or 12.1% mainly attributed to the increase in interest income from the growth of our loans and advances. Correspondingly, total interest expense also increased sharply by \$4.6m or 17.5% during the year. Non-interest income increased marginally by \$0.05 million or 5.6% mainly due to higher loan administrative and penalty fees earned on early settlement. Total operating expenses increased by \$1.0 million or 6.8% mainly arising from higher staff costs as compared to last year.

Net allowances for loans and advances of \$0.5 million were made for 2024 compared to \$0.1 million for year ended 31 Dec 2023. The higher allowances were predominantly for general allowances for non-credit impaired loans as we grew our loans book and the uncertain macroeconomic outlook. The Group continues to set aside adequate specific and collective allowances in respect of its loan portfolio.

The Group's shareholders' funds remain robust at \$255 million as at 31 December 2024, and is more than adequate to buffer further volatility in the current economic slowdown. Our capital adequacy ratio continues to be well above the regulatory minimum requirement.

Fair value reserve for the year ended 31 December 2024 increased by \$0.05 million due to decrease in the fair value of the SGS. The Group purchases SGS for the purposes of maintaining minimum liquid assets as required under the Finance Companies Act.

The Group's total loan, net of allowances, increase by 19.2% to \$983 million as at 31 December 2024 compared to \$824 million as at 31 December 2023. In line with the higher loan balance, total customers' deposits were managed upwards by 17.6% to \$1,032 million as at 31 December 2024 compared to \$878 million as at 31 December 2023.

In the opinion of the Directors, no item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature has arisen which is likely to affect substantially the results of the operations of the Group and the Company in the interval between the end of the financial period and the date of this report.

3. Where a forecast, or a prospect statement, has been previously disclosed to shareholders, any variance between it and the actual results

Not applicable.

4. A commentary at the date of the announcement of the significant trends and competitive conditions of the industry in which the Group operates and any known factors or events that may affect the Group in the next operating period and the next 12 months

The Ministry of Trade and Industry (“MTI”) announced on 14 February 2025 that the Singapore economy grew by 5.0 per cent on a year-on-year basis in the fourth quarter of 2024, moderating from the 5.7 per cent growth in the previous quarter. On a quarter-on-quarter seasonally-adjusted basis, the economy expanded by 0.5 per cent, slower than the 3.0 per cent expansion in the third quarter. For the whole of 2024, the economy grew by 4.4 per cent, faster than the 1.8 per cent growth in 2023.

Despite the overall growth in the economy, Singapore navigates the next phase of its economic development within a global economic landscape marked by heightened geopolitical tensions and rapid technology disruption. The world is facing increasing volatility and uncertainties where risks from the new United States administration could increase trade tensions and further dampen growth prospects.

Against the backdrop of global economic uncertainties, MAS also eased its monetary policy in late January 2025 for the first time since March 2020. This indicates a potential slowdown in economic growth.

The Group will be mindful of any unexpected shifts in the global and local macro environment and remain steadfast in managing our risk exposures and be proactive in managing our net interest margin in the environment of volatile interest rates. The Group continues its aim to stay relevant and competitive to sustain the Group’s long-term growth for the benefit of all our stakeholders.

5. Changes in the company's share capital arising from rights issue, bonus issue, share buy-backs, exercise of share options or warrants, conversion of other issues of equity securities, issue of shares for cash or as consideration for acquisition or for any other purpose since the end of the previous period reported.

Nil.

6. Group’s borrowings and debt securities as at the end of the current financial period and as at the end of the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year.

The Group and the Company’s borrowings are as disclosed under Note 14 to the condensed interim consolidated financial statements. There are no outstanding debt securities issuance as at 31 December 2024 and 31 December 2023 for the Group and the Company.

7. Dividend Information

7a. Current Financial Period Reported on

Any dividend recommended for the current financial period reported on? Yes.

Subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the Board of Directors is recommending a first and final dividend one-tier tax-exempt of 2.0 cents per share and a special one-tier tax exempt dividend of 1.0 cents per share in cash for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Name of Dividend	First & final	Special
Dividend Type	Cash	Cash
Dividend Rate	2.0 cents per share	1.0 cents per share
Tax Rate	Tax exempt one-tier	Tax exempt one-tier
Total Dividend	\$3,173,718	\$1,586,859

Total Annual Dividend	
Ordinary	\$4,760,577
Preference	-
Total	<u>\$4,760,577</u>

The book closure and dividend payment dates are subject to shareholders' approval at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and will be announced at a later date.

7b. Corresponding Period of the Immediate Preceding Financial Year

Any dividend declared for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding financial year? Yes.

Name of Dividend	First & final	Special
Dividend Type	Cash	Cash
Dividend Rate	2.0 cents per share	1.0 cents per share
Tax Rate	Tax exempt one-tier	Tax exempt one-tier
Total Dividend	\$3,174,000	\$1,586,859

Total Annual Dividend	
Ordinary	\$4,760,577
Preference	-
Total	<u>\$4,760,577</u>

8. Half-Yearly Income and Profit After Tax

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023	Increase/ (Decrease)
	\$'000	\$'000	%
Total Income			
First Half Year	11,749	12,171	(3.5)
Second Half Year	12,482	10,766	15.9
Profit After Tax			
First Half Year	2,758	3,948	(30.1)
Second Half Year	3,336	2,208	51.1

9. Interested person transactions

The Group has not obtained a general mandate from shareholders of the Company for Interested Person Transactions.

10. Confirmation that the issuer has procured undertaking from all its directors and executive officers (in the format set out in Appendix 7.7) under Rule 720(1)

The Company has received undertaking from all its directors and executive officers in the format as set out in Appendix 7.7 under Rule 720(1) of the Listing Manual of the SGX-ST.

11. Disclosure of persons occupying managerial positions who are related to a director, CEO or substantial shareholder

Name	Age	Family relationship with any director, CEO and/or substantial shareholder	Current position and duties, and the year the position was first held	Details of changes in duties and position held, if any, during the year
NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

Confirmation by the Board pursuant to Rule 705(5)

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Company, we, the undersigned, hereby confirm to the best of our knowledge that nothing has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the Company which may render the financial statements for the six-month and full year ended 31 December 2024 to be false or misleading in any material aspect.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

Yu-Foo Yee Shoon
Director

Lucas Tran Phuoc
Director

By Order of the Board
Lee Tiong Hock
Company Secretary

21 February 2025