

Statement of Accounts

SINGAPORE INDIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

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ANNUAL REPORT

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DIRECTORS' STATEMENT
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

The directors are pleased to present their statement to the members together with the audited financial statements of Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (the "Chamber") and Subsidiaries (the "Group") for the financial year ended 31 December 2018.

OPINION OF DIRECTORS

In the opinion of the directors,

- (a) the financial statements are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group and of the Chamber as at 31 December 2018 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group and Chamber for the financial year ended; and
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Chamber will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

DIRECTORS

The directors of the Chamber in office at the date of this statement are:

Thirumalai Chandran @ T Chandroo
Sivaswamy Mahesh
Prasoon Mukherjee
Manokaran Chakrapani
Anil Murkoth Changaroth
Bagaria Rajan
JMuralikrishnan Rangan
Kishore Jethanand Daryanani @ Nurendra
Komathy D/O Rajaratnam
Mookerjea Sridev
M.S Maniam
Nalinkant Amratlal Rathod
Nalwa Mandeep Singh
Parthiban S/O Murugaiyan
Purnima Madhukar Kamath
Shobha Tsering Bhalla
Suriyakumar S/O Vaithilingam
Zahabar Ali (Co-opted director)

ARRANGEMENTS TO ENABLE DIRECTORS TO ACQUIRE SHARES OR DEBENTURES

Neither at the end of nor at any times during the financial year was the Chamber a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable the directors of the Chamber to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Chamber or any other body corporate, since the Chamber is a company limited by guarantee.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES

The Chamber, being a company limited by guarantee, is prohibited from having a share capital. The Chamber has not issued any debentures during or after the financial year end. As such, the matters required to be disclosed by Section 9 of the Twelfth Schedule of the Companies Act are not applicable to the Chamber.

DIRECTORS' STATEMENT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES OR DEBENTURES (CONTINUED)

None of the directors of the Chamber holding office at the end of the financial year had any interests in the shares or debentures of the subsidiaries.

SHARE OPTIONS

Chamber

The Chamber, being limited by guarantee, is prohibited from having a share capital. As such, the matters required to be disclosed by Section 9 of the Twelfth Schedule of the Companies Act are not applicable to the Chamber.

Subsidiaries

During the financial year, no options were granted to take up unissued shares in the subsidiaries.

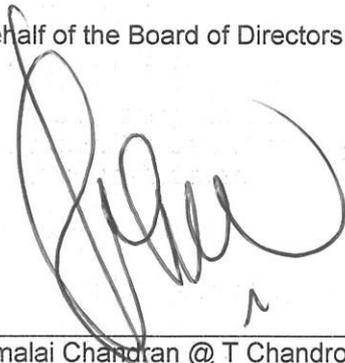
During the financial year, there were no shares of the subsidiaries issued by virtue of the exercise of an option to take up unissued shares of the subsidiaries.

There were no unissued shares of the subsidiaries under option at the end of the financial year.

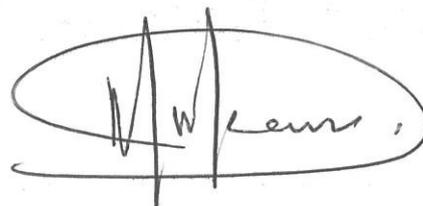
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The independent auditor, Stamford Assurance PAC, has expressed its willingness to accept the re-appointment.

On behalf of the Board of Directors



Thirumalai Chandran @ T Chandroo
Chairman



Manokaran Chakrapani
Honorary Treasurer

Singapore
Date: 29 March 2019

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SINGAPORE INDIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

Report on the audit of the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry (the "Chamber") and its subsidiaries ("the Group"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2018, and the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows of the Group and Chamber for the financial year ended 31 December 2018, and a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the "Act") and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ("FRSs") so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2018, and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Group for the year ended on that date.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ("SSAs"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority ("ACRA") Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ("ACRA Code") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directors' Statement set out on page 1 to 2.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SINGAPORE INDIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

Report on the audit of the financial statements (Continued)

Responsibilities of Management and Directors 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 Act and FRSs, 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high-level assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SSAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SSAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Chamber's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SINGAPORE INDIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES

Report on the audit of the financial statements (Continued)

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

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirement

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



STAMFORD ASSURANCE PAC

Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants
Singapore

Date: 29 March 2019

Engagement Partner: Chinnu Palanivelu

**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

| | Note | <u>Group</u> <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ Restated | <u>Chamber</u> <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ Restated |
|--|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Revenue | 4 | 3,069,845 | 2,743,544 | 1,894,900 | 1,585,224 |
| Other income | 5 | 440,397 | 500,122 | 452,789 | 414,056 |
| Administrative expenses | 6 | (93,001) | (51,322) | (15,274) | (14,817) |
| Other operating expenses | 7 | <u>(3,273,770)</u> | <u>(2,521,704)</u> | <u>(2,236,725)</u> | <u>(1,588,212)</u> |
| Profit before income tax | | 143,471 | 670,640 | 95,690 | 396,251 |
| Income tax expense | 9 | <u>(13,800)</u> | <u>(89,913)</u> | <u>(6,082)</u> | <u>(73,577)</u> |
| Profit for the financial year | | 129,671 | 580,727 | 89,608 | 322,674 |
| Other comprehensive income | | - | - | - | - |
| Total comprehensive income for the financial year | | <u>129,671</u> | <u>580,727</u> | <u>89,608</u> | <u>322,674</u> |

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

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2018

| | Note | Group | | Chamber | |
|--|------|------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| | | 2018 \$ | 2017 \$ Restated | 2018 \$ | 2017 \$ Restated |
| ASSETS | | | | | |
| Non-Current assets | | | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 10 | 3,744,075 | 3,785,327 | 81,277 | 31,291 |
| Investment properties | 11 | 363,753 | 386,471 | 363,753 | 386,471 |
| Fair value though Other comprehensive income | 12 | 300 | 300 | 300 | 300 |
| Investment in subsidiaries | 13 | - | - | 1,600,003 | 1,600,003 |
| | | <u>4,108,128</u> | <u>4,172,098</u> | <u>2,045,333</u> | <u>2,018,065</u> |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 14 | 229,030 | 198,823 | 229,030 | 200,428 |
| Other receivables | 15 | 935,614 | 799,992 | 40,690 | 87,393 |
| Amount due from subsidiaries | 16 | - | - | 1,590,262 | 1,808,306 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 17 | 4,180,475 | 4,422,657 | 3,266,532 | 3,102,750 |
| | | <u>5,345,119</u> | <u>5,421,472</u> | <u>5,126,514</u> | <u>5,198,877</u> |
| Total assets | | <u>9,453,247</u> | <u>9,593,570</u> | <u>7,171,847</u> | <u>7,216,942</u> |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES | | | | | |
| Equity | | | | | |
| Building maintenance and education fund | 18 | 90,290 | 90,290 | 90,290 | 90,290 |
| Retained earnings | | 8,970,720 | 8,841,050 | 6,769,116 | 6,679,508 |
| Total equity | | <u>9,061,010</u> | <u>8,931,340</u> | <u>6,859,406</u> | <u>6,769,798</u> |
| Current liabilities | | | | | |
| Trade payables | 19 | 28,479 | 12,954 | 34,189 | 17,234 |
| Other payables | 20 | 251,933 | 452,363 | 193,343 | 262,333 |
| Income tax payable | | 111,825 | 196,913 | 84,909 | 167,577 |
| Total liabilities | | <u>392,237</u> | <u>662,230</u> | <u>312,441</u> | <u>447,144</u> |
| Total equity and liabilities | | <u>9,453,247</u> | <u>9,593,570</u> | <u>7,171,847</u> | <u>7,216,942</u> |

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

| | Note | Retained earnings \$ | Building maintenance and education fund \$ | Total equity \$ |
|--|------|-------------------------|---|--------------------|
| <u>Group</u> | | | | |
| At 1 January 2017 | | 8,260,323 | 90,290 | 8,350,613 |
| Profit for the financial year, representing total comprehensive income for the financial year, as reported | | 836,056 | - | 836,056 |
| Prior year adjustment | 27 | (255,329) | - | (255,329) |
| After prior year adjustment | | 8,841,050 | 90,290 | 8,931,340 |
| At 1 January 2018 | | 9,096,378 | 90,290 | 9,186,668 |
| Prior year adjustment | 27 | (255,329) | - | (255,329) |
| Profit for the financial year, representing total comprehensive income for the financial year | | 129,671 | - | 129,671 |
| At 31 December 2018 | | 8,970,720 | 90,290 | 9,061,010 |
| <u>Chamber</u> | | | | |
| At 1 January 2017 | | 6,356,834 | 90,290 | 6,447,124 |
| Profit for the financial year, representing total comprehensive income for the financial year, as reported | | 578,003 | - | 578,003 |
| Prior year adjustment | 27 | (255,329) | - | (255,329) |
| After prior year adjustment | | 6,679,508 | 90,290 | 6,769,798 |
| At 1 January 2018 | | 6,934,837 | 90,290 | 7,025,127 |
| Prior year adjustment | 27 | (255,329) | - | (255,329) |
| Profit for the financial year, representing total comprehensive income for the financial year | | 89,608 | - | 89,608 |
| At 31 December 2018 | | 6,769,116 | 90,290 | 6,859,406 |

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018**

| | Note | Group | | Chamber | |
|---|------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ Restated | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ Restated |
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | | | |
| Profit before tax | | 143,471 | 670,640 | 95,690 | 396,251 |
| <u>Adjustments for:</u> | | | | | |
| Depreciation for investment properties | 11 | 22,718 | 22,718 | 22,718 | 22,718 |
| Depreciation for property, plant and equipments | 10 | 136,679 | 121,866 | 20,858 | 14,239 |
| Operating cash flows before changes in working capital | | 302,868 | 815,224 | 139,266 | 433,208 |
| <u>Changes in working capital</u> | | | | | |
| Trade receivables | | (30,207) | (54,836) | (28,602) | (53,266) |
| Other receivables | | (135,622) | 136,654 | 46,703 | 179,993 |
| Trade payables | | 15,525 | (7,144) | 14,515 | 10,358 |
| Other payables | | (299,319) | 131,126 | (68,990) | 55,323 |
| Cash flows from operation | | (146,755) | 1,021,024 | 102,892 | 625,616 |
| Income tax paid | | - | - | - | - |
| Net cash generated from operating activities | | <u>(146,755)</u> | <u>1,021,024</u> | <u>102,892</u> | <u>625,616</u> |
| Cash flows from investing activity | | | | | |
| Acquisition of plant and equipment | 10 | <u>(95,427)</u> | <u>(48,129)</u> | <u>(70,844)</u> | <u>(26,196)</u> |
| Net cash used in investing activity | | <u>(95,427)</u> | <u>(48,129)</u> | <u>(70,844)</u> | <u>(26,196)</u> |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | | | |
| Amount due from subsidiaries | | - | - | 131,734 | 250,000 |
| Net cash generated from financing activities | | - | - | 131,734 | 250,000 |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | | (242,182) | 972,895 | 163,782 | 849,420 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year | | <u>4,422,657</u> | <u>3,449,762</u> | <u>3,102,750</u> | <u>2,253,330</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year | 17 | <u>4,180,475</u> | <u>4,422,657</u> | <u>3,266,532</u> | <u>3,102,750</u> |

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

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

1 GENERAL

Singapore Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry is a public company limited by guarantee and is incorporated and domiciled in Singapore with its registered office and principal place of business at 31 Stanley Street, SICC Building, Singapore 068740. The Chamber's registration number is 193700026G.

Chamber

The principal activities of the Chamber are to promote and protect the interest of the Indian mercantile community in Singapore. There have been no significant changes to the Chamber's principal activities during the financial year.

Under Clause 8 of the Chamber's Memorandum of Association, each of the members of the Chamber undertakes to contribute a sum not exceeding \$5,055 (1011@\$5/-each) (2017: \$5,055 (1011 @\$5/- each) to the assets of the Chamber in the event of it being wound up.

The principal activities of the subsidiaries are Note 13 of the financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements of the Group and the financial statements of the Chamber for the financial year ended 31 December 2018 were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on the date of the Directors' Statement.

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Group have been drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards ("FRS"). The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except as disclosed in the accounting policies below.

The financial statements are presented in Singapore Dollar (\$), which is the Chamber's functional currency. All financial information presented in Singapore Dollar has been rounded to the nearest dollar, unless otherwise indicated.

2.2 Adoption of new and revised standards

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except that in the current financial year, the Chamber has adopted all the new and amended standards which are relevant to the Chamber and are effective for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. Except for the adoption of FRS 109 Financial Instruments described below, the adoption of these standards did not have any material effect on the financial performance or position of the Chamber.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.2 Adoption of new and revised standards (Continued)

FRS 109 Financial Instruments

FRS 109 replaces FRS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018, bringing together all three aspects of the accounting for financial instruments: classification and measurement; impairment; and hedge accounting.

The Group and Chamber applied FRS 109 retrospectively, with an initial application date of 1 January 2018. The Group and Chamber has not restated comparative information which continues to be reported under FRS 39 and the disclosure requirements of FRS 107 Financial Instruments: Disclosures relating to items within the scope of FRS 39. The impact arising from FRS 109 adoption was included in the opening retained earnings and other components of equity at the date of initial application.

Classification and measurement

Under FRS 109, debt instruments are subsequently measured either at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The classification is based on two criteria: The Group and Chamber's business model for managing the assets; and whether the instruments' contractual cash flows represent 'solely payments of principal and interest' on the principal amount outstanding.

The assessment of the Group and Chamber's business model was made as of the date of initial application, 1 January 2018. The assessment of whether contractual cash flows on debt instruments solely comprised of principal and interest was made based on the facts and circumstances as at the initial recognition of the assets.

The classification and measurement requirements of FRS 109 did not have a significant impact to the Group and Chamber. The Group and Chamber continued measuring at fair value all financial assets previously held at fair value under FRS 39.

The Group and Chamber has not designated any financial liabilities at FVPL. There are no changes in classification and measurement for the Group and Chamber's financial liabilities.

2.3 Standards issued but not yet effective

The Chamber has not adopted the following standards applicable to the Chamber that have been issued but not yet effective:

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FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.3 Standards issued but not yet effective (Continued)

The following standards that have been issued but not yet effective are as follows:

| Description | Effective for annual periods beginning on or after |
|--|--|
| FRS 116 Leases | 1 January 2019 |
| INT FRS 123 Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments | 1 January 2019 |
| Amendments to FRS 109 Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation | 1 January 2019 |
| Amendments to FRS 28 Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures | 1 January 2019 |
| Annual Improvements to FRSs (March 2018) | 1 January 2019 |
| Amendments to FRS 110 and FRS 28 Sale or Contribution of Assets between an investor and its Associate or Joint Venture | Date to be determined |

Except for FRS 116, the directors expect that the adoption of the other standards above will have no material impact on the financial statements in the year of initial application. The nature of the impending changes in accounting policy on adoption of FRS 116 are described below.

FRS 116 Leases

FRS 116 requires lessees to recognise most leases on the statement of financial position. The standard includes two recognition exemptions for lessees – leases of 'low value' assets and short-term leases. FRS 116 is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. At commencement date of a lease, a lessee will recognise a liability to make lease payments (i.e. the lease liability) and an asset representing the right to use the underlying asset during the lease term (i.e. the right-of-use asset). Lessees will be required to separately recognise the interest expense on the lease liability and the depreciation expense on the right-of-use asset.

The Chamber plans to adopt FRS 116 retrospectively with the cumulative effect of initially applying the standard as an adjustment to the opening retained earnings at the date of initial application, 1 January 2019.

On the adoption of FRS 116, the Chamber expects to choose, on a lease-by-lease basis, to measure the right-of-use asset at either:

- (i) its carrying amount as if FRS 116 had been applied since the commencement date, but discounted using the lessee's incremental borrowing rate as of 1 January 2019; or
- (ii) an amount equal to the lease liability, adjusted by the amount of any prepaid or accrued lease payments relating to that lease recognised in the statement of financial position immediately before 1 January 2019.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.3 Standards issued but not yet effective (Continued)

In addition, the Chamber plans to elect the following practical expedients:

- not to reassess whether a contract is, or contains a lease at the date of initial application and to apply FRS 116 to all contracts that were previously identified as leases;
- to apply the exemption not to recognize right-of-use asset and lease liabilities to leases for which the lease term ends within 12 months as of 1 January 2019; and
- to apply a single discount rate to a portfolio of leases with reasonably similar characteristics.

The Chamber has performed a preliminary impact assessment based on currently available information, and the assessment may be subject to changes arising from ongoing analysis until the Chamber adopts FRS 116 in 2019.

2.4 Basis of consolidation and business combinations

(a) Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Chamber and its subsidiary companies as at the end of the reporting period. The financial statements of the subsidiary companies used in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements are prepared for the same reporting date as the Chamber. Consistent accounting policies are applied to like transactions and events in similar circumstances.

All intra-group balances, income and expenses, unrealised gains and losses resulting from intra-group transactions and dividends are eliminated in full.

Subsidiaries companies are consolidated from the date of acquisition, being the date on which the Group obtains control, and continue to be consolidated until the date that such control ceases.

Losses within a subsidiary company are attributed to the non-controlling interest even if that results in a deficit balance.

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

- de-recognises the assets (including goodwill) and liabilities of the subsidiary at their carrying amounts at the date when control is lost;

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.4 Basis of consolidation and business combinations (Continued)

(a) Basis of consolidation (Continued)

- de-recognises the carrying amount of any non-controlling interest;
- de-recognises the cumulative translation differences recorded in equity;
- recognises the fair value of the consideration received;
- recognises the fair value of any investment retained;
- re-classifies the Group's share of components previously recognised in other comprehensive income to profit or loss or retained earnings, as appropriate.

(b) Business combination

Business combinations are accounted for by applying the acquisition method. Identifiable assets acquired, and liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date. Acquisition-related costs are recognised as expenses in the periods in which the costs are incurred and the services are received.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer will be recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration which is deemed to be an asset or liability, will be recognised in profit or loss.

2.5 Property, plant and equipment

All items of property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost. Subsequent to recognition, property, plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. The cost of property, plant and equipment includes its purchase price and any costs 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. Dismantlement, removal or restoration costs are included as part of the cost of property, plant and equipment if the obligation for dismantlement, removal or restoration is incurred as a consequence of acquiring or using the property, plant and equipment.

When parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property, plant and equipment.

Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing a part of an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied within the part will flow to the Group, and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of property, plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.5 Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

Depreciation

Depreciation is based on the cost of an asset less its residual value. Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss and calculated using the straight-line method to allocate depreciable amounts over their estimated useful lives of each component of an item of property, plant and equipment. The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative years are as follows:

| | <u>Useful lives</u> |
|------------------------|---------------------|
| Leasehold property | 50 years |
| Furniture and fittings | 3 years |
| Office equipment | 3 years |
| Renovation | 3 years |

Depreciation is charged till the date of disposal for the year in which an asset is sold.

The carrying values of property, plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value may not be recoverable.

The useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, and adjusted prospectively, if appropriate.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss on de-recognition of the asset is included in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised.

Fully depreciated property, plant and equipment are retained in the financial statements until they are no longer in use.

2.6 **Investment properties**

Investment properties are property held either to earn rental income or for capital appreciation or for both, but not for sale in the ordinary course of business, use in the production or supply of goods or services or for administrative purposes. Investment properties are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. The Group depreciates its investment properties over the useful life of 50 years using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful life and residual value of investment properties are reviewed and adjusted as appropriate at each reporting date. The effects of any revision are recognised in the income statement when the change arises.

Investment properties are subject to renovations or improvements at regular intervals. The cost of major renovations or improvements is capitalised and the carrying amounts of the replaced components are recognised in profits and loss. The cost of maintenance, repairs and minor improvements is recognised in profit or loss when incurred.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.6 Investment properties (Continued)

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the investment properties. The cost of self-constructed investment properties includes the cost of materials and direct labour, any other costs directly attributable to bringing the investment properties to a working condition for their intended use and capitalised borrowing costs.

Any gain or loss on disposal of an investment properties (calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item) is recognised in profit or loss. When an investment property that was previously classified as property, plant and equipment is sold, any related amount included in the revaluation reserve is transferred to retained earnings.

When the use of a property changes such that it is reclassified as property, plant and equipment, its fair value at the date of reclassification becomes its cost for subsequent accounting.

2.7 Impairment of non-financial assets

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is an indication that an asset may be impaired. If any indication exists, or when an annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Group makes an estimate of the asset's recoverable amount.

An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or cash-generating unit's fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or group of assets. Where the carrying amount of an asset or cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss.

A previously recognised impairment loss 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. If that is the case, the carrying amount of the asset is increased to its recoverable amount. That increase cannot exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, had no impairment loss been recognised previously. Such reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

2.8 Financial instruments

These accounting policies are applied on and after the initial application date of FRS 109, 1 January 2018:

(a) Financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement.

Financial assets are recognised when, and only when the entity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.8 Financial instruments (Continued)

(a) Financial assets (Continued)

Initial recognition and measurement (Continued)

At initial recognition, the Group measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at FVPL, transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at FVPL are expensed in profit or loss.

Trade receivables are measured at the amount of consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, excluding amounts collected on behalf of third party, if the trade receivables do not contain a significant financing component at initial recognition.

Subsequent measurement

Investments in debt instruments

Subsequent measurement of debt instruments depends on the Group's business model for managing the asset and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the asset. The three measurement categories for classification of debt instruments are amortised cost, FVOCI and FVPL. The Group only has debt instruments at amortised cost.

Financial assets that are held for the collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost. Financial assets are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the assets are derecognised or impaired, and through the amortisation process.

Investments in equity instruments

On initial recognition of an investment in equity instrument that is not held for trading, the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income which will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss. Dividends from such investments are to be recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive payments is established. For investments in equity instruments which the Group has not elected to present subsequent changes in fair value in other comprehensive income, changes in fair value are recognised in profit or loss.

Derecognition

A financial asset is derecognised where the contractual right to receive cash flows from the asset has expired. On derecognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in other comprehensive income for debt instruments is recognised in profit or loss.

(b) Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are recognised when, and only when, the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The Group determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(b) Financial liabilities (Continued)

Initial recognition and measurement (Continued)

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus in the case of financial liabilities not at FVPL, directly attributable transaction costs.

Subsequent measurement

After initial recognition, financial liabilities that are not carried at FVPL are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. On derecognition, the difference between the carrying amounts and the consideration paid is recognised in profit or loss.

These accounting policies are applied before the initial application date of FRS 109, 1 January 2018:

(i) Financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are recognised when, and only when, the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The Group determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

Subsequent measurement

Loans and receivables

Non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as loans and receivables. Subsequent to initial recognition, loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the loans and receivables are derecognised or impaired, and through the amortisation process.

De-recognition

A financial asset is derecognised when the contractual right to receive cash flows from the assets has expired. On de-recognition of a financial asset in its entirety, the difference between the carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and any cumulative gain or loss that has been recognised in other comprehensive income is recognised in profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are recognised when, and only when, the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The Group determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value plus in the case of financial liabilities not at fair value through profit or loss, directly attributable transaction costs.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.8 Financial instruments (continued)

(ii) Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Subsequent measurement

After initial recognition, financial liabilities that are not carried at fair value through profit or loss are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the liabilities are derecognised, and through the amortisation process.

De-recognition

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

Offsetting of financial instruments

A financial asset and a financial liability shall be offset, and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, an entity:

- (a) currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts; and
- (b) intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

2.9 Impairment of financial assets

These accounting policies are applied on and after the initial application date of FRS 109, 1 January 2018:

The Group recognises an allowance for expected credit losses (ECLs) for all debt instruments not held at FVPL. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

ECLs are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12-months (a 12-month ECL). For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is recognised for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.9 Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

For trade receivables, the Group applies a simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Therefore, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The Group has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment which could affect debtors' ability to pay.

The Group considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 60 days past due. However, in certain cases, the Group may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the Group is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full before taking into account any credit enhancements held by the Group. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

These accounting policies are applied before the initial application date of FRS 109, 1 January 2018:

The Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired.

Financial assets carried at amortised cost

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the Group first assesses whether objective evidence of impairment exists individually for financial assets that are individually significant, or collectively for financial assets that are not individually significant. If the Group determines that no objective evidence of impairment exists for an individually assessed financial asset, whether significant or not, it includes the asset in a group of financial assets with similar credit risk characteristics and collectively assesses them for impairment. Assets that are individually assessed for impairment and for which an impairment loss is or continues to be recognised are not included in a collective assessment of impairment.

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on financial assets carried at amortised cost has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. If a loan has a variable interest rate, the discount rate for measuring any impairment loss is the current effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

When the asset becomes uncollectible, the carrying amount of impaired financial asset is reduced directly or if an amount was charged to the allowance account, the amounts charged to the allowance account are written off against the carrying amount of the financial asset.

To determine whether there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on financial assets has been incurred, the Group considers factors such as the probability of insolvency or significant financial difficulties of the debtor and default or significant delay in payments.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.9 Impairment of financial assets (Continued)

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases, and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed to the extent that the carrying amount of the asset does not exceed its amortised cost at the reversal date. The amount of reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand and bank deposits are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

2.11 Provisions

General

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation and the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Provisions are reviewed at the end of each reporting period and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate. If it is no longer probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required to settle the obligation, the provision is reversed. If the effect of the time value of money is material, provisions are discounted using a current pre-tax rate that reflects, where appropriate, the risks specific to the liability. When discounting is used, the increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as a finance cost.

2.12 Investment in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses in the Group's balance sheet. On disposal of such investments, the difference between disposal proceeds and the carrying amounts of the investments are recognised in profit or loss.

2.13 Revenue recognition

These accounting policies are applied on and after the initial application date of FRS 115, 1 January 2018:

Revenue is measured based on the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods or services to a customer, excluding amounts collected on behalf of third parties.

Revenue is recognised when the Group satisfies a performance obligation by transferring a promised good or service to the customer, which is when the customer obtains control of the good or service. A performance obligation may be satisfied at a point in time or over time. The amount of revenue recognised is the amount allocated to the satisfied performance obligation.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.13 Revenue recognition

Rendering of services

Revenue is recognised when services are billed which generally coincides with the delivery and acceptances by clients.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised on a time proportion basis using the effective interest method.

These accounting policies are applied before the initial application date of FRS 115, 1 January 2018:

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Group and the revenue can be reliably measured, regardless of when the payment is made. Revenue is measured at the fair value of consideration received or receivable, taking into account contractually defined terms of payment and excluding taxes or duty.

(a) **Income from publications**

Revenue comprises the invoiced value of publications.

(b) **Services rendered**

Revenue from services rendered is recognised as income when services rendered have been completed and after eliminating sales within the Group.

(c) **Membership subscription fees**

Membership subscription fees are recognised on a time proportionate basis when the subscription fees are due. Members who have not paid the subscription fees within the extended period of the calendar year are removed from the list of members.

(d) **Rental income**

Rental income from operating leases on investment properties is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(e) **Interest income**

Interest income is accrued on a time proportionate basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

(f) **Dividend income**

Dividend income from investments is recognised when the right to receive payment has been established.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.13 Revenue recognition (Continued)

(g) Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received. Government grants are offset against the costs for which they are intended to compensate, on a systematic basis over the periods necessary. Government grants that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income in the period in which they become receivable.

2.14 Taxes

(i) Current income tax

Current income tax assets and liabilities for the current and prior periods are measured at the amount expected to be recovered from or paid to the taxation authority. The tax rates and tax laws used to compute the amount are those that are enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date.

Current income taxes are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that the tax relates to items recognised outside profit or loss, either in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. Management periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation and establishes provisions where appropriate.

(ii) Deferred tax

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on temporary differences at the reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences, the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised.

Deferred tax asset is not recognised for temporary differences, the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences, and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilised.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the deferred tax asset to be utilised. Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period and are recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profit will allow the deferred tax asset to be recovered.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.14 Taxes (Continued)

(ii) **Deferred tax (Continued)**

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the financial year when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the end of each reporting period.

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities are offset, if a legally enforceable right exists to set off current income tax assets against current income tax liabilities and the deferred taxes relate to the same taxable entity and the same taxation authority.

(iii) **Sales tax**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of sales tax except:

- Where the sales tax incurred on a purchase of assets or services is not recoverable from the taxation authority, in which case the sales tax is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense item as applicable; and
- Receivables and payables that are stated with the amount of sales tax included. The net amount of sales tax recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

2.15 **Employee benefits**

(a) **Defined contribution plans**

The Group makes contributions to the Central Provident Fund scheme in Singapore, a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions to defined contribution pension schemes are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is performed.

(b) **Short-term employee benefits**

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee, and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

(c) **Employee leave entitlement**

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made when the estimated liability for annual leave is incurred as a result of services rendered by employees up to the reporting date.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.16 Leases

Operating leases

(i) As lessor

Leases where the Chamber retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset are classified as operating leases. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised over the lease term on the same bases as rental income. The accounting policy for rental income is set out in this note. Contingent rents are recognised as revenue in the period in which they are earned.

(ii) As lessee

Leases where the lessor effectively retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the leased item are classified as operating leases. Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense in the profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The aggregate benefit of incentives provided by the lessor is recognised as a reduction of rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

2.17 Related parties' transactions

A party is related to an entity if:

(a) A person or a close member of that person's family is related to the Group if that person:

- (i) Has control or joint control over the Group;
- (ii) Has significant influence over the Group; or
- (iii) Is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or of parent of the Group;

(b) An entity is related to the Group if any of the following conditions applies:

- (i) The entity and the Group are members of the same Chamber (which means that each parent, subsidiary and fellow subsidiary is related to the others);
- (ii) One entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or an associate or joint venture of a member of a Chamber of which the other entity is a member);
- (iii) Both entities are joint ventures of the same third party;
- (iv) One entity is a joint venture of a third party and the other entity is an associate of the third entity.

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2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

2.17 Related parties' transactions (Continued)

- (v) The entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group. If the Group is itself such a plan, the sponsoring employers are also related to the Group;
- (vi) The entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
- (vii) A person identified in (a) (i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity).

3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

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

3.1 Judgments made in applying accounting policies

The management is of the opinion that there are no significant judgments made in applying accounting estimates and policies that have a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

3.2 Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The key assumptions concerning the future and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period are discussed below. The Group based its assumptions and estimates on parameters available when the financial statements were prepared. Existing circumstances and assumptions about future developments, however, may change due to market changes or circumstances arising beyond the control of the Group. Such changes are reflected in the assumptions when they occur. The following are significant critical accounting estimates and assumption used, or critical judgement applied:

(i) Useful life of property, plant and equipment

The useful life of an item of property, plant and equipment is estimated at the time the asset is acquired and is based on historical experience with similar assets and takes into account anticipated technological or other changes. If changes occur more rapidly than anticipated or the asset experiences unexpected level of wear and tear, the useful life will be adjusted accordingly. The carrying amount of the Group's and Company's property, plant and equipment as at 31 December 2018 was \$3,744,075 (2017: \$3,785,327) and \$81,277 (2017: \$31,291) respectively.

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3 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (CONTINUED)

3.2 Key sources of estimation uncertainty (Continued)

(ii) Useful life of investment properties

The useful life of an item of investment properties is estimated at the time the asset is acquired and is based on historical experience with similar assets and takes into account anticipated technological or other changes. If changes occur more rapidly than anticipated or the asset experiences unexpected level of wear and tear, the useful life will be adjusted accordingly. The carrying amount of the Group's and Company's investment properties as at 31 December 2018 was \$363,753 (2017: \$386,471).

(iii) Impairment of trade and other receivables

The Company uses a provision matrix to calculate ECLs for trade receivables. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments that have similar loss patterns. The provision matrix is initially based on the Company's historical observed default rates. The Company will calibrate the matrix to adjust historical credit loss experience with forward-looking information. At every reporting date, historical default rates are updated and changes in the forward-looking estimates are analysed.

The assessment of the correlation between historical observed default rates, forecast economic conditions and ECLs is a significant estimate. The amount of ECLs is sensitive to changes in circumstances and of forecast economic conditions. The Company's historical credit loss experience and forecast of economic conditions may also not be representative of customer's actual default in the future. The information about the ECLs on the Company's trade receivables is disclosed in Note 22.

The carrying amount of the Group's and Company's trade and other receivables, as at 31 December 2018 were \$1,164,644. (2017: \$998,815) and \$269,720, (2017: \$287,821) respectively.

4 REVENUE

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Trade documentation | 828,180 | 808,401 | 828,179 | 808,401 |
| Membership subscription fees | 458,647 | 429,271 | 458,647 | 429,271 |
| Income from publications | 35,481 | 114,262 | 35,481 | 131,942 |
| Consultancy and events | 442,379 | 183,754 | 518,185 | 183,754 |
| Government grant | 1,305,158 | 1,200,000 | 30,408 | - |
| Courses | - | 7,856 | - | 7,856 |
| Management fees from a subsidiary | - | - | 24,000 | 24,000 |
| | <u>3,069,845</u> | <u>2,743,544</u> | <u>1,894,900</u> | <u>1,585,224</u> |

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5 OTHER INCOME

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Wage credit grant | 13,345 | 20,022 | - | - |
| Enhanced capability development grant | - | 65,884 | - | - |
| Over accrued expenses | - | 160 | - | - |
| Wage credit scheme | 12,638 | 14,197 | 12,638 | 14,197 |
| Miscellaneous income | 3,786 | 3,245 | 9,523 | 3,245 |
| Donation and sponsorship | 217,777 | 212,250 | 237,777 | 212,250 |
| Interest income | 33,791 | 21,042 | 33,791 | 21,042 |
| Rental income | 159,060 | 163,322 | 159,060 | 163,322 |
| | <u>440,397</u> | <u>500,122</u> | <u>452,789</u> | <u>414,056</u> |

6 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Accounting related fees | 29,023 | 22,950 | 7,550 | 8,500 |
| Professional fees | 63,978 | 28,372 | 7,724 | 6,317 |
| | <u>93,001</u> | <u>51,322</u> | <u>15,274</u> | <u>14,817</u> |

7 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| | | Restated | | Restated |
| Depreciation for investment properties | 22,718 | 22,718 | 22,718 | 22,718 |
| Depreciation for property, plant and equipment | 136,679 | 121,866 | 20,858 | 14,239 |
| Events, marketing and membership | 493,117 | 266,347 | 499,806 | 265,225 |
| Printing, postage and stationery | 133,875 | 50,938 | 109,875 | 46,080 |
| Property maintenance expenses | 38,516 | 64,300 | 38,516 | 36,920 |
| Rental expenses | 17,654 | - | 48,000 | 48,000 |
| Employee expenses (Note 8) | 1,705,814 | 1,350,691 | 867,348 | 643,141 |
| Advertisement | 215,436 | - | 220,436 | - |
| Insurance | 59,620 | 40,372 | 23,160 | 8,198 |
| Office maintenance | 59,022 | 47,102 | 39,258 | 19,344 |
| Telephone expense | 16,502 | 20,920 | 15,735 | 9,259 |
| Sponsorship and donations | 57,101 | 3,000 | 42,101 | 3,000 |
| Others | 317,716 | 533,450 | 288,914 | 472,088 |
| | <u>3,273,770</u> | <u>2,521,704</u> | <u>2,236,725</u> | <u>1,588,212</u> |

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8 EMPLOYEE EXPENSES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|--|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Salaries and bonus | 1,453,258 | 1,128,536 | 740,487 | 543,528 |
| Staff insurance | 11,728 | 8,064 | 11,728 | 8,064 |
| Staff training and welfare | 11,236 | 28,977 | 3,908 | 4,551 |
| Contributions to Defined Contribution Plan | 214,395 | 175,762 | 96,028 | 77,646 |
| Others | 15,197 | 9,352 | 15,197 | 9,352 |
| | <u>1,705,814</u> | <u>1,350,691</u> | <u>867,348</u> | <u>643,141</u> |

9 INCOME TAX EXPENSES

The major components of income tax expense recognised in profit or loss for the years ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 were:

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Current year's taxation | 13,800 | 89,913 | 6,082 | 73,577 |
| Under provision in prior years | - | - | - | - |
| | <u>13,800</u> | <u>89,913</u> | <u>6,082</u> | <u>73,577</u> |

Relationship between tax expense and accounting profit

A reconciliation between tax expense and the product of accounting profit multiplies by the applicable corporate tax rate for the financial year ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017 were as follows:

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| | | Restated | | Restated |
| Profit before income tax | 143,471 | 670,640 | 95,690 | 396,251 |
| Income tax using the statutory tax rate of 17 % | 24,436 | 157,415 | 16,267 | 110,769 |
| Tax effects of: | | | | |
| - Disallowable expenses | - | 20,066 | - | 12,559 |
| - Non-taxable income | (10,041) | (27,765) | (7,439) | (27,765) |
| - Capital allowances | (10,000) | (3,116) | - | (2,549) |
| - Exempt income | - | 2,002 | - | 21,488 |
| - Corporate tax rebate | - | (46,925) | - | (40,925) |
| Others | 9,405 | (11,764) | 2,746 | - |
| | <u>13,800</u> | <u>89,913</u> | <u>6,082</u> | <u>73,577</u> |

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10 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

| <u>Group</u> | <u>*Leasehold property</u> \$ | <u>Furniture and fittings</u> \$ | <u>Office equipment</u> \$ | <u>Renovation</u> \$ | <u>Total</u> \$ |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Cost</u> | | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2018 | 4,344,551 | 25,222 | 191,879 | 55,766 | 4,617,418 |
| Additions | - | 6,402 | 74,315 | 14,710 | 95,427 |
| As at 31 December 2018 | 4,344,551 | 31,624 | 266,194 | 70,476 | 4,712,845 |
| <u>Accumulated depreciation</u> | | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2018 | 609,663 | 7,384 | 162,612 | 52,432 | 832,091 |
| Depreciation charges | 70,516 | 18,252 | 39,674 | 8,237 | 136,679 |
| As at 31 December 2018 | 680,179 | 25,636 | 202,286 | 60,669 | 968,770 |
| <u>Carrying amount</u> | | | | | |
| As at 31 December 2018 | 3,664,372 | 5,988 | 63,908 | 9,807 | 3,744,075 |

| <u>Group</u> | <u>*Leasehold property</u> \$ | <u>Furniture and fittings</u> \$ | <u>Office equipment</u> \$ | <u>Renovation</u> \$ | <u>Total</u> \$ |
|--|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Cost</u> | | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2017 | 4,344,551 | 8,422 | 160,550 | 55,766 | 4,569,289 |
| Additions | - | 16,800 | 31,329 | - | 48,129 |
| As at 31 December 2017 | 4,344,551 | 25,222 | 191,879 | 55,766 | 4,617,418 |
| <u>Accumulated depreciation</u> | | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2017 | 522,772 | 5,506 | 132,848 | 49,099 | 710,225 |
| Depreciation charges | 86,891 | 1,878 | 29,764 | 3,333 | 121,866 |
| As at 31 December 2017 | 609,663 | 7,384 | 162,612 | 52,432 | 832,091 |
| <u>Carrying amount</u> | | | | | |
| As at 31 December 2017 | 3,734,888 | 17,838 | 29,267 | 3,334 | 3,785,327 |

*The leasehold property is located at 31 Stanley Street, SICCI Building, Singapore 068740. The term of the lease is 99 years, commencing from 28 December 1998.

The open market value of the leasehold property as at 31 December 2018 is \$9,500,000 (2017: \$9,500,000) based on an independent valuers' valuation.

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10 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

| <u>Chamber</u> | <u>Furniture and fittings</u> \$ | <u>Office equipment</u> \$ | <u>Renovation</u> \$ | <u>Total</u> \$ |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Cost</u> | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2018 | 18,922 | 85,052 | 20,038 | 124,012 |
| Additions | 6,402 | 64,442 | - | 70,844 |
| As at 31 December 2018 | 25,324 | 149,494 | 20,038 | 194,856 |
| <u>Accumulated depreciation</u> | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2018 | 2,589 | 70,094 | 20,038 | 92,721 |
| Depreciation charges | 618 | 20,240 | - | 20,858 |
| As at 31 December 2018 | 3,207 | 90,334 | 20,038 | 113,579 |
| <u>Carrying amount</u> | | | | |
| As at 31 December 2018 | 22,117 | 59,160 | - | 81,277 |

| <u>Chamber</u> | <u>Furniture and fittings</u> \$ | <u>Office equipment</u> \$ | <u>Renovation</u> \$ | <u>Total</u> \$ |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Cost</u> | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2017 | 2,122 | 75,656 | 20,038 | 97,816 |
| Additions | 16,800 | 9,396 | - | 26,196 |
| As at 31 December 2017 | 18,922 | 85,052 | 20,038 | 124,012 |
| <u>Accumulated depreciation</u> | | | | |
| As at 1 January 2017 | 1,971 | 56,473 | 20,038 | 78,482 |
| Depreciation charges | 618 | 13,621 | - | 14,239 |
| As at 31 December 2017 | 2,589 | 70,094 | 20,038 | 92,721 |
| <u>Carrying amount</u> | | | | |
| As at 31 December 2017 | 16,333 | 14,958 | - | 31,291 |

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11 INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

| | <u>Group and Chamber</u> | |
|--|--------------------------|-------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ |
| <u>Cost</u> | | |
| At the beginning and end of the financial year | 1,135,863 | 1,135,863 |
| <u>Accumulated depreciation</u> | | |
| At the beginning of the financial year | 749,392 | 726,674 |
| Depreciation charges | 22,718 | 22,718 |
| At the end of the financial year | 772,110 | 749,392 |
| <u>Carrying value</u> | | |
| Balance at the end of financial year | 363,753 | 386,471 |

The leasehold properties are located at 101 Cecil Street #23-01/02/03/04, Tong Eng Building Singapore 069533. The term of the leasehold is 999 years. The leasehold properties are leased to third parties.

The open market value of the investment properties as at 31 December 2018 is \$6,600,000 (2017: \$6,600,000) based on an independent valuer's valuation.

The amount recognised in profit or loss are as follows:

| | <u>Group and Chamber</u> | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Rental income | 159,060 | 163,322 |
| Property maintenance expenses | (38,516) | (36,920) |
| | 120,554 | 126,402 |

12 FAIR VALUE THROUGH OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

| | <u>Group and Chamber</u> | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Unquoted equity shares at cost | 300 | 300 |

The investment is classified as fair value through other comprehensive income and the fair value of the investment approximates its cost.

The investment represents 30,000 ordinary shares in the share capital of Parameswara Holding Ltd, a company incorporated in Singapore.

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13 INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARIES

| | | <u>Chamber</u> | | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
|--|---|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| | | | | \$ | \$ |
| Investment in subsidiaries | | | | 1,600,003 | 1,600,003 |
| <u>Name of subsidiaries</u> | <u>Principal activities</u> | <u>Percentage of equity held</u> | | <u>Cost of investment</u> | |
| | | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | | % | % | \$ | \$ |
| SICCI Trade Match Information Network (S) Pte. Ltd. - Singapore | To service electronic data information as well as promote and execute event, business mission, publication and other related projects | 100 | 100 | 1,600,002 | 1,600,002 |
| SME Centre @SICCI Pte. Ltd. - Singapore | To provide business management, consultancy and enterprise development services | 100 | 100 | 1 | 1 |
| | | | | <u>1,600,003</u> | <u>1,600,003</u> |

The Chamber owns 100% of the equity shares of the above-mentioned subsidiaries and consequently it controls the voting power of those shares, it has the power to appoint and remove the majority of the board of directors. Consequently, the above-mentioned subsidiaries are controlled by the Chamber and are consolidated in these financial statements.

In prior financial year, a subsidiary had issued bonus shares of 400,005 shares to its holding company, but it yet to be updated ACRA's record, the management is in the process of updating ACRA's record.

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14 TRADE RECEIVABLES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ Restated | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ Restated |
| Third parties | 229,030 | 198,823 | 229,030 | 198,823 |
| Others | - | - | - | 1,605 |
| | <u>229,030</u> | <u>198,823</u> | <u>229,030</u> | <u>200,428</u> |

Trade receivables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are generally on 30 days terms.

15 OTHER RECEIVABLES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ |
| Deposits | 21,751 | 16,657 | 4,070 | 9,621 |
| Government grant receivable | 862,350 | 700,000 | - | - |
| Prepayments and deferred cost | 51,513 | 83,335 | 36,620 | 77,772 |
| | <u>935,614</u> | <u>799,992</u> | <u>40,690</u> | <u>87,393</u> |

16 AMOUNT DUE FROM SUBSIDIARIES

The amount due from subsidiaries represents mainly the advance made for the purchase of the Group's leasehold property (see Note 11). The holding company undertakes to not recall for payment until the subsidiary has sufficient resources to repay the due.

The amounts due from subsidiaries is unsecured, interest free, non-trade in nature and repayable on demand.

17 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ | <u>2018</u> \$ | <u>2017</u> \$ |
| Cash at bank | 1,383,911 | 1,789,587 | 470,675 | 471,007 |
| Cash in hand | 2,569 | 5,056 | 1,862 | 3,729 |
| | <u>1,386,480</u> | <u>1,794,643</u> | <u>472,537</u> | <u>474,736</u> |
| Fixed deposits | 2,793,995 | 2,628,014 | 2,793,995 | 2,628,014 |
| | <u>4,180,475</u> | <u>4,422,657</u> | <u>3,266,532</u> | <u>3,102,750</u> |

Included within the Group's cash and cash equivalents, an amount of \$789,605 (2017: \$1,168,094) that is the cash balance of SME Centre @ SICCI Pte. Ltd. This amount was granted by Enterprise Singapore and there are conditions and restrictions as to how the grant amount is to be utilised.

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18 BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND EDUCATION FUND

| | <u>Group and Chamber</u> | |
|---|--------------------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Beginning and end of the financial year | <u>90,290</u> | <u>90,290</u> |

19 TRADE PAYABLES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Third parties | 28,479 | 12,954 | 27,469 | 12,954 |
| Subsidiaries | - | - | 6,720 | 4,280 |
| | <u>28,479</u> | <u>12,954</u> | <u>34,189</u> | <u>17,234</u> |

20 OTHER PAYABLES

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| | | Restated | | Restated |
| Third parties | 95,040 | 180,712 | 95,040 | 171,674 |
| GST Payable | 15,267 | 12,619 | 12,320 | 9,445 |
| Accruals | 77,024 | 78,486 | 22,651 | 23,604 |
| Advance payment received | 64,602 | 180,546 | 63,332 | 57,610 |
| | <u>251,933</u> | <u>452,363</u> | <u>193,343</u> | <u>262,333</u> |

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21 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the related party information disclosed elsewhere in the audited financial statements, the balances with related parties are unsecured, interest-free and are repayable on demand or at terms agreed between the parties. Significant transactions with related parties took place at terms agreed between the parties during the financial year are as follows:

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---|--------------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| <u>With subsidiaries</u> | | | | |
| Rental fee charged by subsidiary | - | - | 48,000 | 48,000 |
| Administrative fee charged to subsidiary | - | - | 24,000 | 24,000 |
| Donation and sponsorship received from subsidiary | - | - | 20,000 | - |
| Income from publication received from subsidiary | - | - | 75,806 | 17,680 |
| | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>75,806</u> | <u>17,680</u> |
| <u>Between subsidiaries</u> | | | | |
| Miscellaneous income | - | - | 187,020 | 42,183 |
| | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>187,020</u> | <u>42,183</u> |

Compensation of key management personnel

Key management personnel of the Group are those persons having those authority and responsibilities for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group. The directors are considered as key management of the Group.

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Short-term employment benefits | 235,721 | 211,458 | 170,944 | 113,601 |
| | <u>235,721</u> | <u>211,458</u> | <u>170,944</u> | <u>113,601</u> |

The elected members of the Chamber's Board are not entitled to and have not received any remuneration of fees during the financial year.

The key management personnel for the Group comprises the Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Director and Centre Director. (2017: Chief Executive Officer and Centre Director).

The Key management personnel for the Chamber comprises the Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Director (2017: Deputy Director).

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22 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks from its operation. The key financial risks include credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Board of Directors reviews and agrees policies and procedures for the management of these risks, which are executed by the management team. It is and has been throughout the current and previous financial year, the Group's policy that no trading in derivatives for speculative purposes shall be undertaken.

The following sections provide details regarding the Group's exposure to the above-mentioned financial risks and the objectives, policies and processes for the management of these risks.

There has been no change to the Group's exposure to these financial risks or the manner in which it manages and measures the risks.

Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that the counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in a loss to the Group. The Group's exposure to credit risk arises primarily from trade and other receivables. For other financial assets (including investment securities and cash), the Group minimises credit risk by dealing exclusively with high credit rating counterparties.

The Group has adopted a policy of only dealing with creditworthy counterparties. The Group performs ongoing credit evaluation of its counterparties' financial condition and generally do not require a collateral.

The Group considers the probability of default upon initial recognition of asset and whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on an ongoing basis throughout each reporting period.

The Group has determined the default event on a financial asset to be when internal and/or external information indicates that the financial asset is unlikely to be received, which could include default of contractual payments due for more than 60 days, default of interest due for more than 30 days or there is significant difficulty of the counterparty.

To minimise credit risk, the Group has developed and maintained the Group's credit risk gradings to categorise exposures according to their degree of risk of default. The credit rating information is supplied by publicly available financial information and the Group's own trading records to rate its major customers and other debtors. The Group considers available reasonable and supportive forward-looking information which includes the following indicators:

- Internal credit rating
- External credit rating
- Actual or expected significant adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant change to the debtor's ability to meet its obligations
- Actual or expected significant changes in the operating results of the debtor
- Significant increases in credit risk on other financial instruments of the same debtor
- Significant changes in the expected performance and behaviour of the debtor, including changes in the payment status of debtors in the group and changes in the operating results of the debtor.
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22 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

CREDIT RISK (CONTINUED)

Regardless of the analysis above, a significant increase in credit risk is presumed if a debtor is more than 30 days past due in making contractual payment.

The Group determined that its financial assets are credit-impaired when:

- There is significant difficulty of the debtor
- A breach of contract, such as a default or past due event
- It is becoming probable that the debtor will enter bankruptcy or another financial reorganisation
- There is a disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulty

The Group categorises a receivable for potential write-off when a debtor fails to make contractual payments more than 120 days past due. Financial assets are written off when there is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the debtor has no realistic prospect of recovery.

The Group's current credit risk grading framework comprises the following categories:

| Category | Definition of category | Basis for recognizing expected credit loss 'ECL' |
|----------|--|--|
| I | Counterparty has a low risk of default and does not have any past-due amounts. | 12-month ECL |
| II | Amount is more than 30 days past due or there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. | Lifetime ECL – not credit-impaired |
| III | Amount is more than 60 days past due or there is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired (in default). | Lifetime ECL – credit-impaired |
| IV | There is evidence indicating that the debtor is in severe financial difficulty and the debtor has no realistic prospect of recovery. | Amount is written off |

The table below details the credit quality of the Group's financial assets, as well as maximum exposure to credit risk by credit risk rating categories:

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22 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (Continued)

| <u>Group</u> | 12-month or lifetime ECL | Gross carrying amount | Loss allowance | Net carrying amount |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 31 December 2018 | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 12-month ECL | 229,030 | - | 229,030 |
| Other receivables | 12-month ECL | 935,614 | - | 935,614 |
| 31 December 2017 | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 12-month ECL | 198,823 | - | 198,823 |
| Other receivables | 12-month ECL | 799,992 | - | 799,992 |

| <u>Chamber</u> | 12-month or lifetime ECL | Gross carrying amount | Loss allowance | Net carrying amount |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 31 December 2018 | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 12-month ECL | 229,030 | - | 229,030 |
| Other receivables | 12-month ECL | 40,690 | - | 40,690 |
| 31 December 2017 | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 12-month ECL | 200,428 | - | 200,428 |
| Other receivables | 12-month ECL | 87,393 | - | 87,393 |

Trade receivables

For trade receivables, the Group has applied the simplified approach in FRS 109 to measure the loss allowance at lifetime ECL. The Group determines the ECL by using a provision matrix, estimated based on historical credit loss experience based on the past due status of the debtors, adjusted as appropriate to reflect current conditions and estimates of future economic conditions. Accordingly, the credit risk profile of trade receivables is presented based on their past due status in terms of the provision matrix.

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22 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (Continued)

| <u>Group</u> | Trade receivables Days past due | | | | Total |
|--|------------------------------------|------------|------------|----------|----------------|
| | ≤30 days | 31-60 days | 61-90 days | >90 days | |
| 31 December 2018 | | | | | |
| Estimated total gross carrying amount at default ECL | 31,573 | 12,174 | 72,013 | 113,270 | 229,030 |
| Life time ECL | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | <u>229,030</u> |
| 31 December 2017 | | | | | |
| Total gross carrying amount | 57,304 | 30,937 | 23,489 | 87,093 | 198,823 |
| Allowance for impairment | - | - | - | - | - |
| Life time ECL | | | | | <u>198,823</u> |

| <u>Chamber</u> | Trade receivables Days past due | | | | Total |
|--|------------------------------------|------------|------------|----------|----------------|
| | ≤30 days | 31-60 days | 61-90 days | >90 days | |
| 31 December 2018 | | | | | |
| ECL rate | 1% | 2% | 2% | 3% | |
| Estimated total gross carrying amount at default ECL | 31,573 | 12,174 | 72,013 | 113,270 | 229,030 |
| | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | <u>229,030</u> |
| 31 December 2017 | | | | | |
| Total gross carrying amount | 57,767 | 31,186 | 23,678 | 87,797 | 200,428 |
| Allowance for impairment | - | - | - | - | - |
| | | | | | <u>200,428</u> |

Information regarding loss allowance movement of trade receivables is disclosed in Note 9.

Excessive risk concentration

Concentrations arise when a number of counterparties are engaged in similar business activities, or activities in the same geographical region, or have economic features that would cause their ability to meet contractual obligations to be similarly affected by changes in economic, political or other conditions. Concentrations indicate the relative sensitivity of the Group's performance to developments affecting a particular industry.

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22 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Credit risk (Continued)

Trade receivables (Continued)

Exposure to credit risk

The Group has no significant concentration of credit risk. The Group has credit policies and procedures in place to minimise and mitigate its credit risk exposure

Other receivables

The Group assessed the latest performance and financial position of the counterparties, adjusted for the future outlook of the industry in which the counterparties operate in, and concluded that there has been no significant increase in the credit risk since the initial recognition of the financial assets. Accordingly, the Group measured the impairment loss allowance using 12-month ECL and determined that the ECL is insignificant.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk refers to the risk that the Group will encounter difficulties in meeting its short-term obligations due to shortage of funds. The Group's exposure to liquidity risk arises primarily from mismatches of the maturities of financial assets and liabilities. It is managed by matching the payment and receipt cycles. The Group's objective is to maintain a balance between continuity of funding and flexibility through the use of stand-by credit facilities. The Group's operations are financed mainly through equity. The directors are satisfied that funds are available to finance the operations of the Group.

The undiscounted contractual cash flows of trade and other payables and amount due to a holding Group are equivalent to their carrying amounts and are repayable within one year.

Market risk

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

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of the Group's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Group's exposure to interest rate risk arises primarily from fixed deposit.

The Group does not expect any significant effect on the Group's profit or loss arising from the effects of reasonably possible changes to interest rates on interest bearing financial instruments at the end of the financial year.

Foreign currency risk

Exposure for foreign currency is minimise for the Group.

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23 FAIR VALUES

The fair value of a financial instrument is the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged or settled between knowledgeable and willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

The following methods and assumptions are used to estimate the fair value of each class of financial instruments for which it is practicable to estimate that value.

Cash and cash equivalents, other receivables, due from subsidiary and other payables

The carrying amounts of these balances approximate their fair values due to the short-term nature of these balances.

Trade receivables and trade payables

The carrying amounts of these receivables and payables are approximate their fair values as they are subject to normal trade credit terms.

24 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

At the reporting date, the aggregate carrying amounts of available-for-sales investments, loans and receivables and financial liabilities at amortised cost were as follows:

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| | | Restated | | Restated |
| <u>Financial assets</u> | | | | |
| Available for sales investments | - | 300 | - | 300 |
| Fair value through profit and loss | 300 | - | 300 | - |
| <u>Amortised cost</u> | | | | |
| Trade receivables | 229,030 | 198,823 | 229,030 | 200,428 |
| Other receivables | 935,614 | 799,992 | 40,690 | 87,393 |
| Due from subsidiaries | - | - | 1,590,262 | 1,808,306 |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 4,180,475 | 4,422,657 | 3,266,532 | 3,102,750 |
| | <u>5,345,119</u> | <u>5,421,472</u> | <u>5,126,514</u> | <u>5,198,877</u> |
| <u>Amortised cost</u> | | | | |
| Trade payables | 28,479 | 12,954 | 34,189 | 17,234 |
| Other payables | 251,993 | 452,363 | 193,343 | 262,333 |
| | <u>280,472</u> | <u>465,317</u> | <u>227,532</u> | <u>279,567</u> |

25 RESTRICTION ON DISTRIBUTION OF RESERVES

The Chamber's Memorandum of Association provides that no portion of the income and property of the Chamber shall be paid by way of dividends to the members of the Chamber.

Included within the group's Accumulated Fund is an amount of \$1,543,560 (2017: \$1,527,392) attributable to SME Centre @ SICCI Pte Ltd. (the "Centre"). The Centre receives grants from Enterprise Singapore and there are conditions attached to the grants, including non-distribution of the centre's reserves.

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26 LEASE COMMITMENTS

Lease payable

As at the reporting date, the Chamber was committed to making the following payments in respect of lease of office equipment with a term of more than one year:

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Minimum operating lease payments payable | | | | |
| Within one year | 21,360 | 21,360 | 6,960 | 6,960 |
| After one year but not more than five years | 36,526 | 57,886 | 13,006 | 19,966 |
| | <u>57,886</u> | <u>79,246</u> | <u>19,966</u> | <u>26,926</u> |

Lease receivables

As at the reporting date, the Chamber was committed to the following amount of future minimum lease receivables under non-cancellable leases with related party.

| | <u>Group and Chamber</u> | |
|--|--------------------------|----------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Minimum operating lease payments receivable | | |
| Within one year | 26,130 | 156,780 |
| After one year but not more than five years | - | 26,130 |
| | <u>26,130</u> | <u>182,910</u> |

Operating lease receivables represent rentals receivable by the Chamber for its property. Rentals are fixed for an average term of 2 years.

During the year, \$159,060 (2017: \$163,322) was recognised as rental income in the statement of comprehensive income by the Group. Direct property expenses are amounted to \$38,516 (2017: \$36,920).

27 CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

The primary objective of the Group's capital management is to ensure that it maintains a strong base in order to support its business and maximise members' value. The capital structure of the Chamber comprises retained earnings.

No changes were made in the objectives, policies or processes during the financial year ended 31 December 2018 and 31 December 2017. The Group is not subject to any externally imposed capital requirements. The Chamber's overall strategy remains unchanged from 2017.

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28 RESTATEMENTS

The prior year comparative figures have been restated to adjust for the effects of the followings:

- A) In current year, the management decided to re-assess the collectability of trade receivable for the year ended 31 December 2017 which resulted in increase of impairment of membership receivable amounting to \$155,329. This is a change in estimate however the management decided to restate opening retaining earnings.
- B) In prior year, the Company received sponsorships for the years ended 31 December 2017 and 2018. During the year, the management realised that allocation of sponsorships between two financial years were not appropriate hence sponsorships revenue recognised in 2017 amounting to \$100,000 has been re-allocated for the year ended 31 December 2018.

| <u>Company</u> | <u>As stated in 2017</u> | <u>Restatement</u> | <u>As restated</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Trade receivable | 355,757 | (155,329) | 200,428 |
| Other payable | 162,333 | 100,000 | 262,333 |
| Retained earnings | 6,934,837 | (255,329) | 6,679,508 |
| Operating expenses | 1,332,883 | 255,329 | 1,588,212 |
| Cash flow – profit before tax | 651,580 | (255,329) | 396,251 |
| Cash flow – other receivables | (75,336) | 255,329 | 179,993 |

| <u>Group</u> | <u>As stated in 2017</u> | <u>Restatement</u> | <u>As restated</u> |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Trade receivable | 354,152 | (155,329) | 198,823 |
| Other payable | 352,364 | 100,000 | 452,363 |
| Retained earnings | 9,096,378 | (255,329) | 8,841,050 |
| Operating expenses | 2,266,375 | 255,329 | 2,521,704 |
| Cash flow – profit before tax | 925,969 | (255,329) | 670,640 |
| Cash flow – Other receivables | (118,675) | 255,329 | 136,654 |

The management decided not disclose third balance sheet as at 1.1. 2017 as restatement is not material to the financial statements

29 AUTHORISATIONS OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR ISSUE

The financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2018 were authorised for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Chamber on 29 March 2019.

DETAILED INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| | | Restated | | Restated |
| Revenue | | | | |
| Sales | 3,069,845 | 2,743,544 | 1,894,900 | 1,585,224 |
| Add: Other income | | | | |
| Wage credit grant | 13,345 | 20,022 | - | - |
| Enhanced capability development grant | - | 65,884 | - | - |
| Over accrued expenses | - | 160 | - | - |
| Wage credit scheme | 12,638 | 14,197 | 12,638 | 14,197 |
| Miscellaneous income | 3,786 | 3,245 | 9,523 | 3,245 |
| Donation and sponsorship | 217,777 | 212,250 | 237,777 | 212,250 |
| Interest income | 33,791 | 21,042 | 33,791 | 21,042 |
| Rental income | 159,060 | 163,322 | 159,060 | 163,322 |
| | 440,397 | 500,122 | 452,789 | 414,056 |
| Total income | 3,510,242 | 3,243,666 | 2,347,689 | 1,999,280 |
| Less: Operating expenses (see schedule attached) | | | | |
| Administrative expenses | (93,001) | (51,322) | (15,274) | (14,817) |
| Other operating expenses | (3,273,770) | (2,521,704) | (2,236,725) | (1,588,212) |
| Profit before tax | 143,471 | 670,640 | 95,690 | 396,251 |

The above statements do not form part of the audited statutory financial statements of the Company.

OPERATING EXPENSES SCHEDULE
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

| | <u>Group</u> | | <u>Chamber</u> | |
|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2017</u> |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| | | Restated | | Restated |
| Administrative expenses | | | | |
| Accounting related fees | 29,023 | 22,950 | 7,550 | 8,500 |
| Professional fees | 63,978 | 28,372 | 7,724 | 6,317 |
| | <u>93,001</u> | <u>51,322</u> | <u>15,274</u> | <u>14,817</u> |
| Other operating expenses | | | | |
| Advertisement | 215,436 | - | 220,436 | - |
| Bank Charges | 1,052 | 1,612 | 845 | 1,280 |
| Commission | 13,530 | 12,937 | 13,530 | 12,937 |
| Consultancy fee | 6,850 | - | 58,450 | - |
| Course and programmes | - | 2,240 | - | 2,240 |
| Depreciation for investment properties | 22,718 | 22,718 | 22,718 | 22,718 |
| Depreciation for property, plant and equipment | 136,679 | 121,866 | 20,858 | 14,239 |
| Employee expenses (Note 8) | 1,705,814 | 1,350,691 | 867,348 | 643,141 |
| Events, marketing and membership | 493,117 | 266,347 | 499,806 | 265,225 |
| Equipment lease | 6,960 | 22,058 | 6,960 | 6,450 |
| General expenses | 3,836 | 2,782 | 3,836 | 2,726 |
| Input goods and services tax not claimable | 26,041 | 20,298 | - | - |
| Insurance and tax | 59,620 | 40,372 | 23,160 | 8,198 |
| Office maintenance | 59,022 | 47,102 | 39,258 | 19,344 |
| Printing, postage and stationery | 133,875 | 50,938 | 109,875 | 46,080 |
| Property maintenance expenses | 38,516 | 64,300 | 38,516 | 36,920 |
| Refreshment | 26,074 | 21,688 | 20,557 | 12,870 |
| Rental expenses | 17,654 | - | 48,000 | 48,000 |
| Sponsorship and donation | 57,101 | 3,000 | 42,101 | 3,000 |
| Subscription | 2,540 | 2,140 | 2,540 | 2,140 |
| Telephone expenses | 16,502 | 20,920 | 15,735 | 9,259 |
| Trade-net expenses | 3,362 | - | 3,362 | - |
| Transportation | 26,441 | 3,829 | 8,716 | 3,829 |
| Utilities | 18,000 | 9,569 | 2,778 | 4,503 |
| Website development and maintenance | 14,239 | 14,106 | 2,914 | 2,714 |
| Impairment for credit loss | 158,563 | 416,107 | 158,563 | 416,107 |
| Others | 10,228 | 4,084 | 5,863 | 4,292 |
| | <u>3,273,770</u> | <u>2,521,704</u> | <u>2,236,725</u> | <u>1,588,212</u> |

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