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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF OMAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING INVESTMENT COMPANY SAOG

#### Report on the Audit of the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated and separate financial statements of Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG ("the Parent Company") and its subsidiaries (together "the Group"), which comprise the consolidated and separate statement of financial position as at 31 August 2022, the consolidated and separate statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, changes in shareholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated and separate financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated and separate financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Group and the Parent Company as at 31 August 2022, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Group and the Parent Company in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements in the Sultanate of Oman, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Key Audit Matters**

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

### Impairment of Fees receivable

Fees receivable, net of provision for expected credit losses, amounted to RO 0.74 million as at 31 August 2022. The determination as to whether fees receivable are collectible involves significant management judgment. Specific factors that management considers include the ageing, credit risk, existence of disputes, historical payment patterns and any other available information concerning the creditworthiness of the counterparty.

Our audit procedures, amongst others, included:

• testing the design and operating effectiveness of selected controls over the establishment of impairment provision against the expected credit losses;

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#### **Key Audit Matters (continued)**

#### Impairment of Fees receivable (continued)

- assessing the reasonableness of assumptions made in determining the level of impairment provision established for each category of aged debt;
- testing the accuracy of the aging of fees receivable on a sample basis;
- comparing the amounts received subsequent to the year-end against outstanding customer balances on a sample basis;
- assessing the historical accuracy of impairment loss recognised by examining the utilisation or release of previously recorded impairment allowance; and
- assessing the adequacy of disclosures in respect of credit risk.

#### **Other Information**

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directors' Report, Management Discussion and Analysis Report and Corporate Governance Report. The other information does not include the consolidated and separate financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

In connection with our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated and separate 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.

# Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged With Governance for the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated and separate financial statements in accordance with IFRSs and their preparation in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Commercial Companies Law of the Sultanate of Oman, the Rules and Guidelines on Disclosures issued by the Capital Market Authority and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated and separate financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated and separate financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group's and the Parent Company'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 Group and the Parent Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Group's and the Parent Company's financial reporting process.



### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF

# OMAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING INVESTMENT COMPANY SAOG

# Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated and separate 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 of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs 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 consolidated and separate financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISA's, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated and separate 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 internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- 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 and the Parent Company'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 consolidated and separate 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 auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group and the Parent Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated and separate financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated and separate financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF OMAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING INVESTMENT COMPANY SAOG

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements (continued)

We communicate with those charged with governance 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.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulations preclude public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We report that, the consolidated and separate financial statements as at, and for the year ended, 31 August 2022, in all material respects, comply with the applicable provisions of the Commercial Companies Law of the Sultanate of Oman and the Rules and Guidelines on Disclosures issued by the Capital Market Authority.

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31 October 2022

Manvinder Singh

Partner M. No. 400961

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# Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG Consolidated and separate statement of financial position as at 31 August 2022

	Notes	Group 2022 RO	Parent Company 2022 RO	Group 2021 RO	Parent Company 2021 RO
ASSETS Non-current assets					
Property and equipment	5	31,556,604	127,409	32,447,024	1,314
Right-of-use asset Investment in subsidiaries	6 7	139,536	6,399,050	152,805	6,399,050
Total non-current assets		31,696,140	6,526,459	32,599,829	6,400,364
Current assots				10.400	
Inventories	8	33,116	e 147.220	18,682	5,450,190
Due from subsidiaries	24	9/7 001	5,147,239	1,637,498	2,109
Fee and other receivables	9	863,081	2,805 16,806	6,455,860	4,520
Cash and bank balances	10	5,763,147			
Total current assets		6,659,344	5,166,850	8,112,040	5,456,819
Total assets		38,355,484	11,693,309	40,711,869	11,857,183
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES					
EQUITY	11	7 000 000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000
Share capital	12	7,000,000 4,122,420	2,051,736	3,829,355	1,890,786
Legal reserve Property revaluation reserve	5	5,301,623	2,031,730	5,301,623	-
Retained earnings	,	2,193,589	2,251,596	2,434,233	2,553,048
Total equity		18,617,632	11,303,332	18,565,211	11,443,834
LIABILITIES					
Non-current liabilities	13	14,011,993	_	14,484,325	
Deforred grant related to assets Deferred tax liability	15	1,261,875		1,177,904	
Lease liabilities	6	134,122	_	144,570	-
End-of-service benefits	16	1,138,903	30,712	1,118,985	27,203
Students' deposits	17	120,344	-	206,035	
Total non-current liabilities		16,667,237	30,712	17,131,819	27,203
Current liabilities					
Deferred grant related to assets	13	472,332	~	472,332	-
Lease liabilities	6	10,380	*****	9,889	32,193
Due to subsidiaries	24	4 040 040	164,691	2 (07 428	
Trade and other payables	17	1,929,999	194,574	3,607,425	353,953
Income tax payable	15	657,904		925,193	
Total current liabilities		3,070,615	359,265	5,014,839	386,146
Total liabilities		19,737,852	389,977	22,146,658	413,349
Total equity and liabilities		38,355,484	11,693,309	40,711,869	11,857,183
Net assets per share	18	0.266	0.161	0.265	0.163

The consolidated and separate financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 26 October 2022 and were signed on their behalf by:

Hassan Ihsan Nasech Al Nasib

Ismail Ahmed Ibrahim Al Balushi Chairman of the Board of Directors Audit Committee Chairman

Chief Executive Officer Financial Controller

The notes on pages 10 to 43 form an integral part of these consolidated and separate financial statements. Independent auditors' report is set forth on pages 1-4.

# Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG

# Consolidated and separate statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 August 2022

	Notes	Group	Parent Company	Group	Parent Company
		2022	2022	2021	2021
Income		RO	RO	RO	RO
Tuition fees	19	12,453,515	_	14,134,039	_
Dividend income from subsidiaries	7	,,	2,110,000	- 1, 1,	2,933,000
Other income	20	608,367	10,332	115,046	700
Total income		13,061,882	2,120,332	14,249,085	2,933,700
Expenses					
Salaries and other related staff costs Administrative and other operating	21	(8,452,736)	(240,045)	(8,563,907)	(271,889)
expenses	22	(1,995,704)	(269,903)	(1,665,290)	(401,656)
Depreciation on property and equipment	5	(1,084,349)	(886)	(1,160,531)	(1,264)
Impairment of property and equipment	5	(221,864)	(000)	(239,302)	(24,366)
Release of deferred grant related to assets	13	472,332	-	472,332	-
Amortisation of right-of-use asset	6	(13,269)	-	(13,269)	-
Total expenses		(11,295,590)	(510,834)	(11,169,967)	(699,175)
Profit for the year from operations		1,766,292	1,609,498	3,079,118	2,234,525
Write back of liabilities no longer payable	26	511,075	-	-	-
Finance costs	14	(8,585)	-	(25,578)	-
Finance income	14	26,763		23,395	
Profit before tax for the year		2,295,545	1,609,498	3,076,935	2,234,525
Income tax	15	(493,124)	-	(618,970)	-
Net profit and total comprehensive				<del></del>	
income for the year		1,802,421	1,609,498	2,457,965	2,234,525
Earnings per share	23	0.026	0.023	0.035	0.032

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# Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG Consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity for the year ended 31 August 2022

# Group

	Share capital RO	Legal reserve RO	Property revaluation reserve RO	Retained earnings RO	Total equity RO
At 1 September 2020	7,000,000	3,281,615	5,301,623	1,364,008	16,947,246
Total comprehensive income  Net profit for the year  Transfer to legal reserve  Transactions with shapeholders, recorded directly in equity	-	547,740	-	2,457,965 (547,740)	2,457,965
Transactions with shareholders, recorded directly in equity Dividend paid (note 31)	-	-	-	(840,000)	(840,000)
At 1 September 2021  Total comprehensive income	7,000,000	3,829,355	5,301,623	2,434,233	18,565,211
Net profit for the year Transfer to legal reserve	-	293,065	-	1,802,421 (293,065)	1,802,421
Transactions with shareholders, recorded directly in equity Dividend paid (note 31)		-	-	(1,750,000)	(1,750,000)
At 31 August 2022	7,000,000	4,122,420	5,301,623	2,193,589	18,617,632

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# Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG

# Separate statement of changes in shareholders' equity for the year ended 31 August 2022

# **Parent Company**

	Share capital RO	Legal reserve RO	Retained earnings RO	Total RO
At 1 September 2020 Total comprehensive income	7,000,000	1,667,333	1,381,976	10,049,309
Net profit for the year Transfer to legal reserve	-	223,453	2,234,525 (223,453)	2,234,525
Transaction with the shareholders, recorded directly in equity				
Dividend paid (note 31)			(840,000)	(840,000)
At 1 September 2021  Total comprehensive income	7,000,000	1,890,786	2,553,048	11,443,834
Net profit for the year Transfer to legal reserve	-	160,950	1,609,498 (160,950)	1,609,498
Transaction with the shareholders, recorded directly in equity			(4 = = 0 000)	(4 = = 0 000)
Dividend paid (note 31)			(1,750,000)	(1,750,000)
At 31 August 2022	7,000,000	2,051,736	2,251,596	11,303,332

The notes on pages 10 to 43 form an integral part of these consolidated and separate financial statements.

# Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG

# Consolidated and separate statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 August 2022

J J	2022		2021		
·		Parent		Parent	
	Group	Company	Group	Company	
	RO	RO	RO	RO	
Operating activities	2 205 545	1 (00 100	2.054.025	2 224 525	
Profit before tax for the year	2,295,545	1,609,498	3,076,935	2,234,525	
Adjustments for:	1 004 240	997	1 160 521	1.264	
Depreciation of property and equipment Amortisation of right-of-use asset	1,084,349 13,269	886	1,160,531 13,269	1,264	
Provision for end-of-service benefits	205,797	4,244	168,235	4,615	
Finance income	(26,763)	-,2	(23,395)	4,015	
Finance costs	8,585	-	25,578	_	
Gain on disposal of property and equipment	103	-	(1,731)	_	
Release of deferred grant related to assets	(472,332)	-	(472,332)	_	
Impairment of property and equipment	221,864	-	239,302	24,366	
Dividend income	, <u>-</u>	(2,110,000)	-	(2,933,000)	
Operating cash flows before working capital changes Changes in working capital:	3,330,417	(495,372)	4,186,932	(668,230)	
Inventories	(14,434)	-	56,091	_	
Due from subsidiaries	-	(520,049)	-	(118,994)	
Fee and other receivables	774,417	(696)	3,298,701	189	
Students' deposits	(72,339)	-	(5,719)	-	
Due to subsidiaries	-	132,498	-	(77,104)	
Trade and other payables	(1,690,778)	(159,379)	1,020,801	323,353	
Cash generated from /(used in)operating activities	2,327,283	(1,042,998)	8,556,266	(540,786)	
Income tax paid	(676,442)	-	(317,445)	-	
End-of-service benefits paid	(185,879)	(735)	(421,354)		
Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities	1,464,962	(1,043,733)	7,817,467	(540,786)	
Investing activities					
Purchase of property and equipment	(419,045)	(126,981)	(158,400)	(178)	
Finance income received	26,763	-	23,395	-	
Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment	3,149	-	2,500	-	
Dividend received	-	2,933,000		1,380,276	
Net cash (used in)/ from investing activities	(389,133)	2,806,019	(132,505)	1,380,098	
Financing activities					
Repayment of term loan	-	-	(3,428,341)	-	
Payment of lease liabilities- principal	(9,957)	-	(9,335)	-	
Payment of lease liabilities-interest	(8,585)	-	(9,134)		
Finance costs paid	-	-	(16,444)	-	
Dividend paid	(1,750,000)	(1,750,000)	(840,000)	(840,000)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,768,542)	(1,750,000)	(4,303,254)	(840,000)	
Change in cash and cash equivalents	(692,713)	12,286	3,381,708	(688)	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	6,455,860	4,520	3,074,152	5,208	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year (note 10)	5,763,147	16,806	6,455,860	4,520	

The notes on pages 10 to 43 form an integral part of these consolidated and separate financial statements.

# 1 Legal status and principal activities

Oman Education and Training Investment Company SAOG ("the Parent Company") is an Omani Joint Stock Company incorporated in the Sultanate of Oman on 9 November 1998 under a trade license issued by the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion. The Company's Head Office is located at Sohar and its registered address is at PO Box 44, Sohar, Postal Code 311, Sultanate of Oman. The Parent Company is a subsidiary of Global Financial Investments Holding SAOG, which is the Ultimate Parent Company.

These consolidated and separate financial statements include the result of operations and assets and liabilities of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "the Group").

The principal activities of the Parent Company is investment and training services and providing higher education services. The principal activities of the Group is investment and training services, providing higher education services, maintenance and cleaning services and vocational training services.

The subsidiaries controlled by the Parent Company are as follows:

Name of the subsidiary	Proportion of ownership interest	Principal activity
Sohar University LLC	99.99%	Higher education and training
Modern Catering Company LLC	99.90%	Cleaning and maintenance
Tasees Company for Training and Services		
LLC(formerly known as Intaj Sohar for		
Manufacturing and Trade Services LLC)	99.93%	Vocational training
Intaj Sohar for Advanced Manufacturing		Manufacturing and
LLC	100%	Engineering Consultancy

The remaining shareholding is held by other subsidiaries, and hence there is no non-controlling interest at the reporting date. The subsidiaries are incorporated in the Sultanate of Oman.

# 2 Basis of preparation

### Statement of compliance

These consolidated and separate financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), the applicable provisions of the Commercial Companies Law of the Sultanate of Oman and the disclosure requirements of the Capital Market Authority of the Sultanate of Oman.

Subsequent references in these financial statements refer to both the financial statements of the Parent Company and the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

#### Basis of measurement

The consolidated and separate financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for freehold land which is stated at revalued amounts.

#### Functional currency

These consolidated and separate financial statements are presented in Rial Omani (RO), which is the functional and reporting currency of the Group and the Parent Company.

# 3 New and revised International Financial Reporting Standards

### Standards, amendments and interpretations effective and adopted in the year 2021-22

The following new standards, amendments to existing standards or interpretations to published standards are mandatory for the first time for the financial year beginning on or after 1 January 2021 and have been adopted in the preparation of the consolidated and separate financial statements:

Standard or		Effective for annual period
Interpretation	Title	beginning on or after
Amendments to IFRS 4, 7, 9 and 16	Interest Rate Benchmark Reform	1 January 2021
Amendments to IFRS 16	COVID-19 Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021	1 April 2021

# Interest Rate Benchmark Reform (Amendments to IFRS 4, 7, 9 and 16)

The amendments provide temporary relief which address the financial reporting effects when an interbank offered rate (IBOR) is replaced with an alternative nearly risk-free interest rate (RFR). The amendments include the following practical expedients:

- a) A practical expedient to require contractual changes, or changes to cash flows that are directly required by the reform, to be treated as changes to a floating interest rate, equivalent to a movement in a market rate of interest;
- b) Permit changes required by IBOR reform to be made to hedge designations and hedge documentation without the hedging relationship being discontinued; and
- c) Provide temporary relief to entities from having to meet the separately identifiable requirement when an RFR instrument is designated as a hedge of a risk component.

These amendments had no impact on the consolidated and separate financial statements of the Group and the Parent Company. The Group and the Parent Company intends to use the practical expedients in future periods if they become applicable.

### **COVID-19 Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021 (Amendments to IFRS 16)**

Effective 1 June 2020, IFRS 16 was amended to provide a practical expedient for lessees accounting for rent concessions that arise as a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic and satisfy the following criteria.

- (a) The change in lease payments results in revised consideration for the lease that is substantially the same as, or less than, the consideration for the lease immediately preceding the change;
- (b) The reduction in lease payments affects only payments originally due on or before 30 June 2021; and
- (c) There is no substantive change to other terms and conditions of the lease.

Rent concessions that satisfy these criteria may be accounted for in accordance with the practical expedient, which means the lessee does not assess whether the rent concession meets the definition of a lease modification. Lessees apply other requirements in IFRS 16 in accounting for the concession.

This amendment had no impact on the consolidated and separate financial statements of the Group and the Parent Company, as there were no rent concessions received during the year.

# 3 New and revised International Financial Reporting Standards (continued)

# Standards, amendments and interpretations issued but not yet effective in the year 2021-22

The following new/amended accounting standards and interpretations have been issued, but are not mandatory for the financial year ended 31 August 2022. They have not been adopted in preparing the consolidated and separate financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022.

G4 1 1		Effective for annual
Standard or		periods beginning on
Interpretation	Title	or after
Amendments to IAS 37	Onerous Contracts: Cost of Fulfilling a	1 January 2022
	Contract	
Amendments to IAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds	1 January 2022
	Before Intended Use	
Amendments to IFRS 1, 9,	Annual Improvements to IFRS 2018 to	1 January 2022
16 and IAS 41	2020	
Amendments to IFRS 3	Reference to Conceptual Framework	1 January 2022
IFRS 17	Insurance Contracts	1 January 2023
Amendments to IAS 1 and	Disclosure of accounting policies	1 January 2023
IFRS practice statement 2		
Amendments to IAS 8	Definition of Accounting Estimates	1 January 2023
Amendments to IAS 12	Deferred Tax Related to Assets and	1 January 2023
	Liabilities arising from a Single	·
	Transaction	

The Group and the Parent Company does not expect these amendments and standards issued by IASB, but not effective, to have material impact on the consolidated and separate financial statements of the Group and the Parent Company.

### 4 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these consolidated and separate financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

#### **Basis of consolidation**

The consolidated and separate financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Parent Company and the subsidiaries. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are prepared for the same reporting period as the Parent Company, using consistent accounting policies.

#### **Subsidiaries**

Subsidiaries are all entities (including special purpose entities) controlled by the Parent Company. The Parent Company controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. The financial statements of the subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date on which control ceases.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **Subsidiaries (continued)**

The purchase method of accounting is used to account for the acquisition of subsidiaries by the Parent Company. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the fair value of the assets given, equity instruments issued and liabilities incurred or assumed at the date of exchange, plus costs directly attributable to the acquisition. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date, irrespective of the extent of any minority interest. The excess of the cost of acquisition over the fair value of the Group's share of the identifiable net assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If the cost of acquisition is less than the fair value of the net assets of the subsidiary acquired, the difference is recognised directly in profit or loss.

In the Parent Company's separate financial statements, investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost, less provision for impairment in value of any individual investment.

Dividend income is recognised in profit or loss in the period in which entitlement is established.

#### Transaction eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances and transactions, and any recognised income and expenses arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with equity accounted investees are eliminated against the investment to the extent of the Group's interest in the investee. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as recognised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

#### **Non-controlling interests**

The Group has the choice, on a transaction by transaction basis, to initially recognise any non-controlling interest in the acquiree which is a present ownership interest and entitles its holders to a proportionate share of the entity's net assets in the event of liquidation at either acquisition date fair value or, at the present ownership instruments' proportionate share in the recognised amounts of the acquiree's identifiable net assets.

Total comprehensive income of non-wholly owned subsidiaries is attributed to owners of the Parent Company and to the non-controlling interests in proportion to their relative ownership interests.

#### **Financial instruments**

Financial instruments are recognised when the Group and the Parent Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

#### Financial assets

The Group and the Parent Company determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition. The classification depends on the Group and the Parent Company's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

## 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

## **Financial instruments (continued)**

### Financial assets (continued)

#### Classification

The financial assets are classified in the following measurement categories:

- (a) those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income, or through profit or loss); and
- (b) those to be measured at amortised cost.

For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses are recorded in the Group's and the Parent Company's profit or loss or other comprehensive income.

#### Measurement

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

The Group and the Parent Company has classified fair value measurements on a recurring basis using a fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The fair value hierarchy has the following levels:

- quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1).
- inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e., as prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices) (Level 2); and
- inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (Level 3).

#### Debt instruments

Subsequent measurement of debt instruments depends on the Group's and the Parent Company's business model for managing the asset and the cash flow characteristics of the asset. The Group and the Parent Company classifies debt instruments at amortised cost based on the below:

(a) the asset is held within a business model with the objective of collecting the contractual cash flows; and

(b)the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal outstanding.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the Effective Interest Rate (EIR).

### **Equity instruments**

If the Group and the Parent Company elects to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in other comprehensive income, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss. Dividends from such investments shall continue to be recognised in profit or loss as other income when the Group's or the Parent Company's right to receive payments is established. There are no impairment requirements for equity investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income. Changes in the fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is recognised in other gains/(losses) in profit or loss.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **Financial instruments (continued)**

### **Financial assets (continued)**

### Derecognition of financial assets

The Group and the Parent Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the assets expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another party. If the Group and the Parent Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group and the Parent Company recognises its retained interest in the asset and associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group and the Parent Company retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the transferred financial asset, the Group and the Parent Company continues to recognise the financial asset and also recognises a collateralised borrowing for the proceeds received.

Interest expense and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is also recognised in profit or loss.

The Group and the Parent Company determines that its business model has changed in a way that is significant to its operations, than it reclassifies all affected assets prospectively from the first day of the next reporting period (the reclassification date). Prior periods are not restated. The Group and the Parent Company determines the classification of financial liabilities on initial recognition. Subsequent reclassification is not allowed.

# Impairment of financial assets

The Group and the Parent Company applies Expected Credit Loss model (ECL) for measurement and recognition of impairment loss on the financial assets and credit risk exposure that are debt instruments and are measured at amortised cost e.g., fee receivables.

ECL is the probability-weighted estimate of credit losses (i.e., present value of all cash shortfalls) over the expected life of the financial asset. A cash shortfall is the difference between the cash flows that are due in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group and the Parent Company expects to receive. The ECL considers the amount and timing of payments and hence a credit loss arises even if the Group and the Parent Company expects to receive the payment in full but later than when contractually due. The ECL method requires assessing credit risk, default and timing of collection since initial recognition. This requires recognising allowance for ECL in profit or loss even for receivables that are newly originated or acquired.

Impairment of financial assets is measured as either 12 months ECL or lifetime ECL, depending on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. '12 months ECL' represent the ECL resulting from default events that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date. 'Lifetime ECL' represent the ECL that result from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial asset.

Fee receivables are of a short duration, normally less than 12 months and hence the loss allowance measured as lifetime ECL does not differ from that measured as 12 months ECL. The Group and the Parent Company uses the practical expedient in IFRS 9 for measuring ECL for fee receivables using a provisioning matrix based on ageing of the fee receivables.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **Financial instruments (continued)**

### **Financial assets (continued)**

#### Impairment of financial assets (continued)

The Group and the Parent Company uses historical loss experience and derived loss rates and adjusts the historical loss rates to reflect the information about current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts of future economic conditions. The loss rates differ based on the ageing of the amounts that are past due and are generally higher for those with the higher ageing.

#### Income recognition

#### Interest income

For all financial instruments measured at amortised cost and interest-bearing financial assets, interest income is recognised using the EIR, which is the rate that discounts the estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

When a loan and receivable is impaired, the Group and the Parent Company reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flows discounted at the original EIR of the instrument and continues unwinding the discount as interest income. Interest income on impaired financial asset is recognised using the original EIR.

#### Financial liabilities

The Group and the Parent Company determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition. The classification depends on the business model for managing the financial liabilities and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

### Classification

The financial liabilities are classified in the following measurement categories:

- a) those to be measured as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss; and
- b) those to be measured at amortised cost.

#### Measurement

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value. Financial liabilities accounted at amortised cost like borrowings are accounted at the fair value determined based on the EIR method after considering the directly attributable transaction costs.

The Group and the Parent Company classifies all financial liabilities as subsequently measured at amortised cost, except for financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. Such liabilities, including derivatives that are liabilities, and subsequently measured at fair value.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

**Financial instruments (continued)** 

### **Financial liabilities (continued)**

### Measurement (continued)

The EIR method calculates the amortised cost of a debt instrument by allocating interest charged over the relevant EIR period. The EIR is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash outflows (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the EIR, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the debt instrument, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition. This category generally applies to trade and other payables and bank overdraft.

### Derecognition of financial liabilities

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or 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 derecognition 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.

### Property and equipment

Property and equipment, other than freehold land and capital work-in-progress is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any identified impairment loss.

Freehold land is measured at revalued amount less impairment losses recognised after the date of the revaluation. Valuations are performed frequently to ensure that the fair value of a revalued asset does not differ materially from its carrying amount.

Depreciation is charged so as to write-off the cost of assets, except freehold land and capital work-in-progress over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method, on the following basis:

	Years
Permanent buildings	40
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5
Motor vehicles	5
Library books	5
Computers	5
Porta-cabins	6-7
Others	5

The gains or losses on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the net book value of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date. Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amounts, it is written-down immediately to its recoverable amounts.

Repair and maintenance of property and equipment is charged to profit or loss when incurred.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### **Revaluation surplus**

Surplus on revaluation of freehold land is credited to the property revaluation reserve (net of deferred tax). Revaluation is carried out with sufficient regularity to ensure that the carrying amount of assets does not differ materially from the fair value. When revalued assets are sold, any related amount included in the surplus on revaluation is transferred directly to retained earnings.

#### Capital work-in-progress

Capital work-in-progress is stated at cost. When commissioned, capital work-in-progress is transferred to the appropriate property and equipment category and depreciated in accordance with the Group's policies.

#### Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's and the Parent Company's assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the assets recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of the Group's and the Parent Company's receivables is calculated as the present value of future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate. Receivables with a short duration are not discounted. The recoverable amount of other assets is the greater of their net selling price and value-in-use.

In assessing value-in-use, the estimated cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pretax discount rate that reflects the current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

#### Leases

The Group and the Parent Company assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease, at the inception of the contract. The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease arrangements in which it is the lessee, except for short-term leases (defined as leases with a lease term of 12 months or less) and leases of low-value assets. For these leases, consistent with accounting policy of previous year for all operating leases, the Group and the Parent Company recognises the lease payments as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease unless another systematic basis is more representative of the time pattern in which economic benefits from the leased assets are consumed.

#### **Inventories**

Inventories at the reporting date consist of books, stationery and consumable items, and are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is calculated using the weighted average method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price less all costs necessary to make the sale.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

### Deferred grant related to assets

Subsidies were granted by the Government of the Sultanate of Oman and the private sector towards the purchase and construction of property and equipment. The subsidy was credited to deferred grant related to assets and is recognised in profit or loss over the useful life of property and equipment which were financed by the subsidy.

#### **End-of-service benefits**

Contributions to a defined contribution retirement plan for Omani employees, in accordance with the Oman Social Insurance Scheme, are recognised as expense in profit or loss when incurred.

The Group's and the Parent Company's obligation in respect of non-Omani terminal benefits, provision is made for amounts payable under the Oman Labour Law, based on the employees' accumulated periods of service at the statement of financial position date. This provision is classified as a non-current liability.

Employee entitlements to annual leave and air passage are recognised when they accrue to the employees and an accrual is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and air passage as a result of services up to the reporting date. The accruals relating to annual leave and air passage is disclosed as a part of current liabilities.

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Group and the Parent Company has a present obligation as a result of a past event which it is probable will result in an outflow of economic benefits that can be reasonably estimated.

#### **Taxation**

Income tax is calculated as per the fiscal regulations of the Sultanate of Oman.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years.

Deferred tax is calculated on all temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for tax purposes. The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realisation or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. Deferred tax assets are reduced to the extent that is no longer probable that the related tax benefits will be realised.

#### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. However, borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised as part of the cost of the asset. A qualifying asset is an asset that necessarily takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale.

#### Other income

Other income is accounted for on the accrual basis, unless collectability is in doubt.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Revenue recognition

Revenue from services rendered is recognised in profit or loss over the period service is provided to the students as the students simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group's and the Parent Company's performance as and when the Group and the Parent Company performs. Revenue is recognised in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction in the accounting period in which the services are rendered and the right to receive the consideration is established. No revenue is recognised if there are significant uncertainties regarding the recovery of the consideration due.

#### **Interest income**

Interest income is accrued over the period, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the interest rate applicable.

#### **Foreign currencies**

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the functional currency of the Group and the Parent Company at the exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the end of reporting date are retranslated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss on monetary items is the difference between amortised cost in the functional currency at the beginning of the year, adjusted for effective interest and payments during the year, and the amortised cost in foreign currency translated at the exchange rate at the end of the year.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are retranslated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at the date that the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items in a foreign currency that are measured in terms of historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency differences arising on retranslation are recognised in profit or loss.

### Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the consolidated and separate statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash on hand, bank balances and fixed deposits with maturities of less than three months from the date of placement, net of outstanding bank overdraft, if any.

#### **Directors' remuneration**

Directors' remuneration is computed in accordance with the provisions of the Commercial Companies Law and the requirements of the Capital Market Authority and is charged to profit or loss.

#### **Equity**

Items representing a residual interest in the Group's and the Parent Company's net assets are presented as part of shareholders' equity. Such items include issued and paid-up share capital.

#### **Dividends**

Dividend is recognized as a liability in the year in which they are declared.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Fiduciary assets

Assets held in trust or in a fiduciary capacity are not treated as assets of the Group and the Parent Company and, accordingly, are not included in these consolidated and separate financial statements.

### Critical accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the consolidated and separate financial statements, in accordance with IFRS, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities at the reporting date and the resultant provisions and changes in fair value for the year. Such estimates are necessarily based on assumptions about several factors involving varying, and possibly significant, degrees of judgment and uncertainty and actual results may differ from management's estimates resulting in future changes in estimated assets and liabilities.

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the reporting date, that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment in the year ended 31 August 2022, are included in the following notes:

#### **Key sources of estimation uncertainty**

Allowance for impaired fees and trade receivables

When measuring ECL, the Group and the Parent Company uses reasonable and supportable forward looking information, which is based on assumptions for the future movement of different economic drivers and how these drivers will affect each other.

Loss given default is an estimate of the loss arising on default. It is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due and those that the lender would expect to receive, taking into account cash flows from collateral and integral credit enhancements.

Probability of default constitutes a key input in measuring ECL. Probability of default is an estimate of the likelihood of default over a given time horizon, the calculation of which includes historical data, assumptions and expectations of future conditions.

#### Revaluation of freehold land

The Group measures the freehold land at revalued amount, with changes in value being recognised in other comprehensive income (OCI). The value of freehold land is determined using the market comparable method with reference to transactions involving properties of a similar nature, location and condition. The Group engages an independent valuation specialist who has valuation experience for similar properties, to assess the value of freehold land who valued the freehold land on 23 September 2020. The key assumptions used to determine the value of the land are:

### Significant unobservable valuation input:

Range

Price per square metre

RO 35 to RO 45

Significant increases/ (decreases) in estimated price per square metre in isolation would result in a significantly higher/ (lower) value on a linear basis.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### Critical accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

Useful lives of property and equipment

Depreciation is charged so as to write-off the cost of assets over their estimated useful lives. The calculation of useful lives is based on management's assessment of various factors such as the operating cycles, the maintenance programs, and normal wear and tear using its best estimates.

Allowance for slow-moving and obsolete inventories

Allowance for slow-moving and obsolete inventories is based on management's assessment of various factors such as the usability and normal wear and tear using its best estimates.

Estimation of fair value of financial instruments

The Group and the Parent Company measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

- Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.
- Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs. This category includes instruments valued using quoted market prices in the active market for similar instruments, quoted market prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active, or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.
- Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices of similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

#### **Contingencies**

By their nature, contingencies will only be resolved when one or more future events occur or fail to occur. The assessment of such contingencies inherently involves the exercise of significant judgement and estimates of the outcome of future events.

### Going concern

The management of the Group and the Parent Company review the consolidated and separate financial position on a periodical basis and assesses the requirement of any additional funding to meet the working capital requirements and estimated funds required to meet the liabilities as and when they fall due. In addition, the shareholders of the Parent Company ensure that they provide adequate financial support to fund the requirements of the Group to ensure the going concern status of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries.

#### **Taxation**

Uncertainties exist with respect to the interpretation of tax regulations and the amount and timing of future taxable income. Given the wide range of business relationships and nature of the existing contractual agreements, differences arising between the actual results and the assumptions made, or future changes to the assumptions, could necessitate future adjustments to taxable income and expenses already recorded. The Group and the Parent Company establishes provisions, based on reasonable estimates, for possible consequences of finalisation of tax assessments of the Group and the Parent Company. The amount of such provisions is based on various factors, such as experience of previous tax assessments and differing interpretations of tax regulations by the taxable entity and the responsible tax authority.

# 4 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Critical accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty (continued)

### Impairment reviews

IFRS requires management to undertake an annual test for impairment of indefinite lived assets and, for finite lived assets, to test for impairment if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Impairment testing is an area involving management judgment, requiring inter alia an assessment as to whether the carrying value of assets can be supported by the net present value of future cash flows derived from such assets using cash flow projections which have been discounted at an appropriate rate. In calculating the net present value of the future cash flows, certain assumptions are required to be made in respect of highly uncertain matters including management's expectations of:

- a) growth in earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortisation (EBITDA), calculated as adjusted operating profit before depreciation and amortisation;
- b) timing and quantum of future capital expenditure;
- c) long-term growth rates and
- d) selection of discount rates to reflect the risks involved.

Changing the assumptions selected by management, in particular the discount rate and growth rate assumptions used in the cash flow projections, could significantly affect the Group's and the Parent Company's impairment evaluation and hence results.

# 5. Property and equipment

	Freehold land	Buildings	Furniture and fixtures	Motor vehicles	Library books	Computers	Porta- cabins	Others	Capital work-in- progress	Total
Group	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO
Cost / fair value										
1 September 2020	6,700,000	31,359,335	3,321,828	271,916	307,687	1,950,312	658,749	1,524,091	1,482,829	47,576,747
Additions	-	22,101	17,409	-	15,670	79,635	-	9,159	14,426	158,400
Disposal	-	-	(135,102)	-	-	(15,378)	(11,073)	(39,948)	-	(201,501)
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(239,302)	(239,302)
Transfers	-	90,260	-	-	-	-	-	-	(90,260)	-
1 September 2021	6,700,000	31,471,696	3,204,135	271,916	323,357	2,014,569	647,676	1,493,302	1,167,693	47,294,344
Additions	-	-	40,838	-	14,248	226,409	-	11,353	126,197	419,045
Disposals	-	-	(238,268)	-	-	(54,581)	-	(2,525)	-	(295,374)
Impairment							-		(221,864)	(221,864)
31 August 2022	6,700,000	31,471,696	3,006,705	271,916	337,605	2,186,397	647,676	1,502,130	1,072,026	47,196,151
Depreciation										<u> </u>
1 September 2020	-	6,875,400	3,078,273	218,916	261,723	1,725,884	311,714	1,415,611	-	13,887,521
Charge for the year	-	785,533	98,630	15,737	15,363	111,809	89,645	43,814	-	1,160,531
Disposals	-	-	(134,554)	-	-	(15,207)	(11,070)	(39,901)	-	(200,732)
1 September 2021		7,660,933	3,042,349	234,653	277,086	1,822,486	390,289	1,419,524		14,847,320
Charge for the year	-	786,661	63,477	15,738	17,265	94,189	72,401	34,618	-	1,084,349
Disposals	-	· -	(235,635)	, <u>-</u>	· -	(54,089)	, <u>-</u>	(2,398)	-	(292,122)
31 August 2022		8,447,594	2,870,191	250,391	294,351	1,862,586	462,690	1,451,744	-	15,639,547
Net book value										
31 August 2022	6,700,000	23,024,102	136,514	21,525	43,254	323,811	184,986	50,386	1,072,026	31,556,604
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31 August 2021	6,700,000	23,810,763	161,786	37,263	46,271	192,083	257,387	73,778	1,167,693	32,447,024

# 5. Property and equipment (continued)

	Furniture, fixtures and equipment	Motor vehicles	Computers	Capital work-in- progress	Total
<b>Parent Company</b>	RO	RO	RO	RO	RO
Cost					
At 1 September 2020	19,085	13,968	7,615	24,366	65,034
Additions	-	-	178	-	178
Impairment				(24,366)	(24,366)
At 1 September 2021	19,085	13,968	7,793	-	40,846
Additions	-	-	784	126,197	126,981
At 31 August 2022	19,085	13,968	8,577	126,197	167,827
Accumulated depreciation					
At 1 September 2020	17,928	13,968	6,372	-	38,268
Charge for the year	708	-	556	-	1,264
At 1 September 2021	18,636	13,968	6,928		39,532
Charge for the year	410	-	476	-	886
At 31 August 2022	19,046	13,968	7,404	-	40,418
Carrying amount					
At 31 August 2022	39		1,173	126,197	127,409
At 31 August 2021	449		865	<del></del>	1,314

Freehold land was revalued at its open market value of RO 6.7 million by an independent professional valuer as of 23 September 2020. The surplus/ (deficit) arising on revaluation, if any, has been taken, net of tax to property revaluation reserve which is included as a separate component of consolidated and separate shareholders' equity. Deferred tax arising on the revaluation is charged to other comprehensive income in the year of revaluation. The revaluation reserve is not available for distribution.

The title of the freehold land is in the name of the Parent Company, who holds it on behalf, and for the beneficial interest, of Sohar University LLC, a subsidiary.

If freehold land was measured using the cost model, the carrying amounts would be as follows:

	20	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent	
	Group	Company	Group	Company	
	RO	RO	RO	RO	
Cost	462,796		462,796		

Work-in-progress represents cost incurred on the construction of sports complex and commercial centre inside the University in the years 2013 to 2015. During the year, Management has impaired capital-work-in progress to the extent of RO 221,864 for the Group (2021: RO 239,302 for the Group and RO 24,366 for the Parent Company). Capital work-in-progress of the Parent Company relates to construction of Tasees Institute Training Workshop and car parking and boundary wall which is expected to be completed in the year 2023.

# 6. Right-of-use asset and lease liabilities

a) Right-of-use asset	2022		2021	
	Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
At 1 September Amortisation charge	152,805 (13,269)		166,074 (13,269)	-
At 31 August	139,536	-	152,805	-

The right-of-use asset is related to lease of two plots of land in the University from the Diwan of Royal Court-Sohar Municipality by one of the subsidiaries for a period of 20 years each with an option to extend the lease term.

#### b) Lease liabilities

,	2022		2021	
	Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
At 1 September	154,459	-	163,794	-
Interest on lease liabilities	8,585		9,134	
Paid during the year	(18,542)	-	(18,469)	-
At 31 August	144,502	-	154,459	-
Comprise of:				
Current portion	10,380	-	9,889	-
Non-current portion	134,122	-	144,570	-
At 31 August	144,502	-	154,459	-

### 7. Investment in subsidiaries

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the Parent Company and its subsidiaries listed in the following table. All of the subsidiaries are incorporated in the Sultanate of Oman.

			2022		20	021	
Subsidiary companies	Country of Incorporation	Principal activity	Percentage held* %	Carrying value RO	Percentage held %	Carrying value RO	
Sohar University LLC	Sultanate of Oman	Education	99.99	5,999,400	99.99	5,999,400	
Modern Catering Co. LLC	Sultanate of Oman	Cleaning and maintenance	99.90	249,750	99.90	249,750	
Tasees Company for Training and Services LLC	Sultanate of Oman	Vocational Training	99.93	149,900	99.93	149,900	
				6,399,050		6,399,050	

<sup>\*</sup>The remaining shareholding is held by other subsidiaries, and, hence there is no non-controlling interest at the reporting date. During the year, Sohar University LLC declared dividend of RO 2,020,000 (2021: RO 2,870,000) and Modern Catering Company LLC declared interim dividend of RO 90,000 (2021: RO 63,000) which has been recognized in profit or loss by the Parent Company.

At reporting date, the management has tested the investment in subsidiaries for impairment and has concluded that there are no impairment losses as at 31 August 2022.

#### 7. **Investment in subsidiaries (continued)**

	During the year, Sohar University	sity LLC formed a	a wholly own	ed company. Detai	ls are as follows: 202	
	Sub subsidiary company	Country of incorporation	Principal activity		Percentage held %	Cost RO
	Intaj Sohar for advanced manufacturing SPC	Sultanate of Oman		ecturing and ering consultancy	100	500,000
8.	Inventories					
		_	202		202	
			Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
	Spare parts and maintenand Books/Periodical stock	ce items	5,503 27,613	-	3,465 15,217	-
		_	33,116	-	18,682	-
9.	Fee and other receival	oles				
		_	20	)22	20	)21
			Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
	Fees receivable (gross) Trade receivables	d	1,400,358 49,902	107,649	1,834,233	107,649 -
	Less: provision for expecte credit losses	su	(706,542)	(107,649)	(732,139)	(107,649)
	Fee receivables (net)		743,718	-	1,102,094	-
	Prepayments		70,255	2,805	74,298	2,109
	Due from employees Other receivables		216 39,098	-	256 2,646	-
		_	853,287	2,805	1,179,294	2,109
	Advances to contractors an Less: allowance for impair	• •	513,594 (503,800)	- -	962,004 (503,800)	-
		_	9,794		458,204	-
		_	863,081	2,805	1,637,498	2,109
	The movement in the provis	ion for expected	d credit losse		bles is as follow	
			2022	Parent	202	Parent
			Group	Company	Group	Company
			RO	RO	RO	RO
	At 1 September Written off during the year		732,139 (25,597)	107,649	732,139	107,649

706,542

At 31 August

107,649

732,139

107,649

#### 10. Cash and bank balances

_	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Cash on hand	11,300	500	10,800	500
Current account balances with banks	859,525	16,306	1,085,965	4,020
Call deposits with banks	4,882,322	-	5,350,128	-
Cash margin	10,000	-	8,967	-
Cash and cash equivalents	5,763,147	16,806	6,455,860	4,520

The current account balances with banks are non-interest bearing.

Call deposits are placed with a national bank in the Sultanate of Oman, which earn an interest rate of 0.75% (2021: 0.5%) per annum, paid monthly in arrears.

Cash margin is placed against bank guarantees issued in the normal course of business, for a total period of 90 calendar days.

### 11. Share capital

Authorized share capital 100,000,000 ordinary shares of RO 0.100 each	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
<b>Issued and fully paid-up share capital</b> 70,000,000 ordinary shares of RO 0.100 each	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000

At the reporting date, the following shareholders held 10% or more of the Parent Company's shares:

	2022		2021	
	RO	%	RO	%
Global Financial Investments Holding SAOG	2,637,666	37.68	2,637,666	37.68

# 12. Legal reserve

The legal reserve, which is not available for distribution is calculated in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Commercial Companies Law of the Sultanate of Oman. The annual appropriations are 10% of the net profit for the year until such time as the reserve equal to at least one-third of the issued and fully paid-up share capital. The reserve in the consolidated financial statements represents the sum of legal reserve transferred by the Parent Company and its subsidiaries.

## 13. Deferred grant related to assets

G	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
Government grants	RO	RO	RO	RO
At 1 September	14,956,657	-	15,428,989	-
Released to profit or loss during the year	(472,332)	-	(472,332)	-
At 31 August	14,484,325	-	14,956,657	-
Total at 31 August	14,484,325		14,956,657	
Less: current portion	(472,332)	-	(472,332)	-
Non-current portion	14,011,993	-	14,484,325	-

According to the Board of Higher Education's decision No. 3/2003 dated 3 March 2003, the subsidiary was granted a Government subsidy of RO 1,407,500 towards financing part of the buildings and other installation costs which are required for the subsidiary. At the reporting date, the un-amortised amount of the grant is RO 197,578.

According to the Ministry of Higher Education letter No. 807/2007 dated 6 November 2007, the subsidiary has been granted a conditional Government grant related to assets amounting to RO 1,592,500. At the reporting date the un-amortised amount of the grant is RO 875,580.

According to the Royal Decree issued by His Majesty and the Board of Higher Education letter No. 55/2/3/2007 dated 24 January 2007, the subsidiary was granted a conditional Government grant of RO 17,000,000 towards the infrastructure, buildings, laboratories and main educational halls. At the reporting date, the un-amortised amount of the grant is RO 13,411,167.

#### 14. Finance costs

	2022		20:	21
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Interest on bank borrowings Interest on lease liabilities	8,585	-	16,444 9,134	-
At 31 August	8,585	-	25,578	

### 14.1 Finance income

	2022		2021	
	Parent		_	Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Interest on call deposits (Note 10)	26,763		23,395	

### 15. Taxation

In accordance with the Ministerial Decision No. 11/2008, the Group had obtained an income tax exemption certificate for five years for the University's activities, which was effective from September 2003. In the year 2008, the Group applied for an extension of exemption for additional five years starting from September 2008, which was granted by the Tax Authority. For the financial year 2014 onwards, the Group has become taxable since the expiry of the second exemption period in the year 2013.

The Group provides for income tax in accordance with the Income Tax Laws of the Sultanate of Oman at the rate of 15% of the taxable profits (2021: 15%).

	2022		2021		
		Parent		Parent	
	Group	Company	Group	Company	
	RO	RO	RO	RO	
Statement of financial position					
Deferred tax liability	1,261,875		1,177,904		
Income tax payable					
At 1 September	925,193	_	660,489	_	
Charge for the year	409,153	_	582,149	_	
Less: income tax paid	(676,442)	-	(317,445)	-	
Income tax payable	657,904	<u> </u>	925,193	-	
	202	22	2021		
		Parent		Parent	
	Group	Company	Group	Company	
Statement of profit or loss	RO	RO	RO	RO	
Current year	409,153	-	582,149	-	
Deferred tax	83,971	-	36,821	-	
	493,124		618,970		

The following is a reconciliation of income taxes calculated on accounting results at the applicable tax rate with the income tax expense for the year:

	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Net profit before tax for the year	2,295,545	1,609,498	3,076,935	2,234,525
Tax at the rate of 15%	344,332	241,425	461,540	335,179
Tax effect on exempt income	-	(241,425)	-	(335,179)
Tax effect of items disallowed	64,821		120,609	
	409,153		582,149	

### 15. Taxation (continued)

#### Status of assessments

Parent Company

The assessments of the Parent Company have been completed by the Tax Authority up to the tax year 2018. The management of the Parent Company believes that any additional taxes that may arise on completion of the tax assessments for the open tax years will not be significant to the Parent Company's results and financial position as at 31 August 2022.

#### **Subsidiaries**

The income tax assessments of the subsidiary- Sohar University LLC have been completed by the Tax Authority up to the tax year 2018.

During 2020, the University received a tax assessment order wherein the Tax Authority claimed an amount of RO 2.64 million primarily towards tax on the Government grant received by the University during the years 2010 to 2015 as a support by the Government to build the infrastructure within the University.

The University submitted post-dated cheques to Tax Authority for claim amount and filed an objection with the Tax Grievances Committee (the Committee) against the decision of the Tax Authority.

On 5 October 2022, the Committee issued the resolution in favor of the University and accepted the appeal not to tax the Government grant on the basis that depreciation on building financed through grant shall not be allowed as a tax deduction.

Management awaits revised assessment order from the Tax Authority and receipt of post-dated cheques handed over to the Tax Authority for the claim amount.

The income tax assessments of the subsidiary-Modern Catering Company LLC have been completed by the Tax Authority up to the tax year 2018.

The management believes that any additional taxes that may arise on completion of the tax assessments for the open tax years of the subsidiaries will not be significant to the consolidated results and consolidated financial position as at 31 August 2022.

# 15. Taxation (continued)

Recognised deferred tax liabilities are attributable to the following items:

	Recognised in			
		Profit or	Other	
	At 1	loss	comprehensive	At 31
Group	September		income	August
	RO	RO	RO	RO
2022				
Revaluation surplus on freehold				
land	(935,581)	-	-	(935,581)
Provision for expected credit losses				
on fees receivable and advances	169,243	(3,840)	-	165,403
Right-of-use asset	248	497	-	745
Property and equipment	(411,814)	(80,628)	-	(492,442)
Net deferred tax liability	(1,177,904)	(83,971)	-	(1,261,875)
2021				
Revaluation surplus on freehold				
land	(935,581)	_	_	(935,581)
Provision for expected credit losses	(>00,001)			(>55,551)
on fees receivable and advances	169,243	_	-	169,243
Right-of-use asset	(342)	590	-	248
Property and equipment	(374,403)	(37,411)	-	(411,814)
Net deferred tax liability	(1,141,083)	(36,821)		(1,177,904)

# 16. End-of-service benefits

	2022		2021	
	Parent			Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
At 1 September	1,118,985	27,203	1,372,104	22,588
Charge for the year (Note 21)	205,797	4,244	168,235	4,615
Paid during the year	(185,879)	(735)	(421,354)	-
At 31 August	1,138,903	30,712	1,118,985	27,203

# 17. Trade and other payables

	2022		202	2021	
		Parent		Parent	
	Group	Company	Group	Company	
	RO	RO	RO	RO	
Trade payables	214,719	13,971	172,375	-	
Accrued expenses	629,261	14,698	684,903	23,369	
Advance tuition fees	373,471	-	990,413	-	
Provision for leave salary and air					
passage	78,720	13,203	125,811	21,189	
Students' deposits (note 17.1)	118,800	-	105,448	-	
Research grant (note 17.2)	256,273	-	144,676	-	
Retentions payable	9,637	2,702	974,887	-	
Directors' remuneration	150,000	150,000	300,000	300,000	
Other payables	99,118	-	108,912	9,395	
	1,929,999	194,574	3,607,425	353,953	
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### 17.1 Students' deposits

	2022	2022		2021	
	Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO	
Total deposits Less: current portion	239,144 (118,800)	<u>-</u>	311,483 (105,448)	-	
At 31 August	120,344		206,035	<u>-</u>	

That portion of the students' deposits which are payable within 12 months of the consolidated statement of financial position date is disclosed as current portion of students' deposits.

### 17.2 Research grant

The Group had received research grant jointly from The Research Council of Oman (TRC), National Training Fund and certain other entities for carrying out educational research work. The movement in the research grant is as follows:

	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
At 1 September	144,676	-	188,452	-
Received during the year	175,098	-	74,773	-
Utilised during the year	(63,501)		(118,549)	
At 31 August	256,273		144,676	

# 18. Net assets per share

Net assets per share is calculated by dividing the net assets at the end of the year attributable to shareholders of the Parent Company, by the number of shares outstanding as follows:

	20	2022		2021	
	Group	Parent Company	Group	Parent Company	
Net assets (RO)	18,617,632	11,303,332	18,565,211	11,443,834	
Number of ordinary shares	70,000,000	70,000,000	70,000,000	70,000,000	
Net assets per share (RO)	0.266	0.161	0.265	0.163	

# 19. Tuition and training fees

_	2022	2022		21
	-	Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Students' fees	12,248,054	-	14,094,372	-
Admission fees	23,800	-	37,800	-
Training fee	179,902	-	-	-
Miscellaneous fees	1,759	<u>-</u>	1,867	
	12,453,515		14,134,039	

Students' tuition and training fees are earned from the services provided in the Sultanate of Oman and recognised over the period of the education services provided to the students.

### 20. Other income

	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Students' accommodation fee	322,779	-	-	_
Gain on disposal of property and	,			
Equipment	-	-	1,731	-
Income from language classes	102,753	-	72,032	-
Rental income	63,985	-	17,544	-
Write-back of payables	38,393	10,207	14,302	-
Income from summer school	13,305	-	-	-
Graduation fee income	25,440	-	-	-
Income from short courses	19,352	-	1,937	-
Miscellaneous income	22,360	125	7,500	700
	608,367	10,332	115,046	700

# 21. Salaries and other related staff costs

	2022		2021	
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Salaries and allowances	6,611,316	211,060	6,698,523	224,581
Employees' bonus	313,541	9,783	416,930	14,063
Leave pay	560,050	-	557,043	9,397
Social security	469,456	9,289	443,969	12,561
End-of-service benefits (note 16)	205,797	4,244	168,235	4,615
Air passage	69,250	429	59,978	2,176
Other costs	223,326	5,240	219,229	4,496
	8,452,736	240,045	8,563,907	271,889

# 22. Administrative and other operating expenses

Transmission of the other open	2022		2021	
-		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RÔ	RO
Repairs and maintenance	339,884	-	299,452	-
Utilities	427,367	-	265,087	-
Rent	1,800	1,800	19,252	1,800
Teaching materials	27,156	-	41,581	-
Cleaning expenses	62,730	-	51,181	-
Advertising and marketing	73,327	3,189	57,739	3,906
Communication	124,676	729	127,285	477
Entertainment	23,774	713	13,622	249
Travel allowances	31,611	955	11,774	2,175
Printing and stationery	27,966	764	12,270	703
Graduation expenses	64,985	-	13,717	-
Academic expenses	20,074	-	24,669	-
Insurance	12,693	3,618	13,902	3,433
In-house conferences	25,911	-	7,299	-
Summer school expenses	6,688	-	-	-
MSM membership	11,100	11,100	10,700	10,700
Legal, consultancy and				
professional fees	116,191	11,794	74,921	17,394
Vehicle expenses and conveyance	26,437	9	15,076	-
Board sitting fees	60,700	60,700	48,300	48,300
Directors' remuneration	150,000	150,000	300,000	300,000
Board of governance sitting fees	27,170	-	34,120	-
Continuous education center expenses	80,964	-	69,793	-
Bank charges	65,343	75	102,709	42
Loss on disposal of property and				
equipment	103	-	-	-
Corporate Social Responsibility	20,000	20,000	10,000	10,000
Taxes (VAT and withholding taxes)	122,676	-	17,141	-
Miscellaneous expenses	44,378	4,457	23,700	2,477
	1,995,704	269,903	1,665,290	401,656

# 23. Earnings per share

_ , <del>_</del>	2022		20:	2021	
	Parent			Parent	
	Group	Company	Group	Company	
	RO	RO	RO	RO	
Net profit for the year (RO)	1,802,421	1,609,498	2,457,965	2,234,525	
Weighted average number of shares on issue	70,000,000	70,000,000	70,000,000	70,000,000	
Earnings per share (RO)	0.026	0.023	0.035	0.032	

The earnings per share is calculated by dividing the net profit for the year after tax attributable to the shareholders of the Parent Company by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year. Diluted EPS is same as basic EPS as the Group and the Parent Company has not issued any convertible instruments.

### 24. Related party transactions and balances

Related parties represent associated companies, major shareholders, directors and key management personnel of the Group, and companies of which they are principal owners. Pricing policies and terms of these transactions are approved by the Group's management.

At 31 August, balances with related parties were as follows:

·	Parent Company	
	2022	2021
	RO	RO
Due from subsidiaries:		
Tasees Company for Training and Services LLC- related to		
operations	137,623	9,570
Sohar University LLC- related to operations	2,989,616	2,570,620
Sohar University LLC- related to dividend	2,020,000	2,870,000
	5,147,239	5,450,190
Due to subsidiaries:		
Modern Catering Company LLC- related to operations	254,691	95,193
Modern Catering Company LLC- related to dividend	(90,000)	(63,000)
	164,691	32,193

Outstanding balances at the year-end arise in the normal course of business. For the year ended 31 August 2022 and 2021, the Group has not recorded any impairment allowance on amounts owed by subsidiaries.

## 24. Related parties (continued)

During the year transactions with the related parties are as follows:

	2022		202	21
	Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
Dividend income		2,110,000		2,933,000
Expenses paid by subsidiaries on behalf of the Parent Company	-	923,502		437,238
Expenses paid by the Parent Company on behalf of subsidiaries		(140,330)		(93,060)

# Compensation of key management personnel

Key management personnel are those persons having direct authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Group.

	2022		2021	
_	Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
Short-term employees' benefits	409,440	102,963	474,766	101,225
Staff retirement benefits	26,303	3,695	30,887	3,500
Sitting fees - Board of Directors and other committees	60,700	60,700	48,300	48,300
Sitting fees - Board of Governance	27,170	_	34,120	-
Directors' remuneration	150,000	150,000	300,000	300,000

### 25. Fiduciary activities

The Group entered into two agreements with the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion (MOCIIP) to establish two research centers in the University; namely Research Centre for Transformational Industries "RCFTI" and The Pioneer Factory for Moulds and Production Tools "PFFMPT", to support and develop the manufacturing sector in Oman. MOCIIP provided the funds to establish and run these projects and supervises the operation of these projects.

Group	2022 RO	2021 RO
Funds under management	297,129	713,849

## 26. Contingencies and commitments

2022		2021	
Group RO	Parent Company RO	Group RO	Parent Company RO
107,257		111,972	
425,000	-	418,724	-
	Group RO 107,257	Group Company RO RO  107,257 -	Parent   Group   Group   RO   RO   RO

The Group is a party to certain litigations and claims filed by certain employees. The management believes that no additional material liability would arise to the Group upon settlement of these cases.

The Group is also involved as a claimant and defendant in a legal dispute against a Contractor with reference to the construction work at Sohar University. A Contractor had filed a legal case against the University in the year 2016, claiming RO 4.21 million against the remaining unpaid balance for the main work, additional work, late payment losses and cost of materials and RO 5.6 million as compensation for the hardship faced by the Contractor.

Management had filed counter claim against the Contractor by not accepting any of the above claims and claiming RO 5.54 million for delays, losses due to poor implementation and non-conformity with the project requirements, delay fine based on the contract, material costs and extra expenses incurred by the University because of the Contractor's failure to meet the contract conditions, etc.

On 4 February 2021, the Arbitrator in their decision, rejected the Contractor's claim against the University and also rejected the counter claim of the University against the Contractor.

The Contractor appealed against the decision of the Arbitrator in the Appeals Court on 27 May 2021, which was rejected by the Appeal Court on 1 July 2021.

On 9 August 2021, the Contractor appealed against the decision in the Supreme Court, which was rejected by the Supreme Committee on 10 May 2022 and compelled the Contractor to pay the charges. Accordingly, the Group set off the advances of RO 448,410 from the Contractor against the retention payable of RO 959,485 and recognized RO 511,075 as income in profit or loss.

# 27. Financial risk management

### Overview

Financial instruments consist of financial assets and liabilities. The principal financial assets and liabilities carried on the consolidated and separate statement of financial position includes cash and bank balances, fee and other receivables, bank borrowings, due from and to subsidiaries, students' deposits and trade and other payables. The particular recognition methods adopted are disclosed in the individual policy statements associated with each item.

### 27. Financial risk management (continued)

#### **Overview (continued)**

Financial assets are assessed for indicators of impairment at each reporting date. Financial assets are impaired where there is objective evidence that as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the financial asset, the estimated future cash flows have been impacted.

The classification of financial assets depends on the purpose for which the financial assets were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

The Group and the Parent Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: credit risk, market risk and liquidity risk. The Group's and the Parent Company's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Group's and the Parent Company's financial performance.

#### Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Group if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations and arises principally from the Group and the Parent Company's fees receivable from students and balances with banks.

### Exposure to credit risk

The carrying amount of each financial asset in the consolidated and separate statement of financial position represents the maximum exposure to credit risk.

The Group's and the Parent Company's bank accounts are placed with reputed financial institutions.

The Group's and the Parent Company's exposure to credit risk is influenced mainly by the individual characteristics of each student/sponsor. The Group and the Parent Company has established credit policies and procedures that are considered appropriate and commensurate with the nature and size of receivables. Management regularly reviews these balances whose recoverability is in doubt.

The Group and the Parent Company establishes a provision for expected credit losses that represents its estimate of potential losses in respect of trade and other receivables.

The exposure to credit risk at the reporting date was on account of:

2022		202	21
	Parent		Parent
Group	Company	Group	Company
RO	RO	RO	RO
743,718	-	1,102,094	-
-	5,147,239	-	5,450,190
216	-	256	-
39,098	-	2,646	-
5,751,847	16,306	6,445,060	4,020
6,534,879	5,163,545	7,550,056	5,454,210
	Group RO 743,718 - 216 39,098 5,751,847	Parent Group Company RO RO  743,718 5,147,239 216 - 39,098 - 5,751,847 16,306	Parent           Group         Company         Group           RO         RO         RO           743,718         -         1,102,094           -         5,147,239         -           216         -         256           39,098         -         2,646           5,751,847         16,306         6,445,060

### 27. Financial risk management (continued)

#### Credit risk (continued)

#### **Exposure to credit risk (continued)**

The exposure to credit risk for fees receivable from major customers as at 31 August was as follows:

	2022		202	21
		Parent		Parent
	Group	Company	Group	Company
	RO	RO	RO	RO
Ministry of Higher Education	602,241	-	987,498	-
Others	141,477	-	114,596	-
	743,718		1,102,094	

The ageing of fees receivable and related impairment loss at the reporting date was:

	2022		2021	
Group	Gross RO	Loss provision RO	Gross RO	Loss provision RO
Past due for summer academic semester Past due from 2nd academic semester Past due from 1st academic semester Past due more than 365 days	527,115 202,505 14,981 705,659 1,450,260	16,986 10,927 1,271 677,358	770,431 287,386 31,722 744,694 1,834,233	24,194 13,217 1,634 693,094 732,139
Parent Company Past due more than 365 days	107,649	107,649	107,649	107,649

Unimpaired fee and trade receivable are expected, on the basis of past experience, to be fully recoverable. It is not the practice of the Group and the Parent Company to obtain collateral over fee receivable.

## Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group and the Parent Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Group's and the Parent Company's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's and the Parent Company's reputation.

Typically, the Group and the Parent Company ensures that they have sufficient cash on demand to meet expected operational expenses, including the servicing of financial obligations. This excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters. In addition, the Group and the Parent Company has access to credit facilities.

# 27. Financial risk management (continued)

# **Liquidity risk (continued)**

The following are the maturities of the financial liabilities, excluding interest expenses:

2022 Group	Carrying amount RO	Contractual cash flows RO	Within a year RO	More than a year RO
Trade payables	214,719	214,719	214,719	-
Other payables*	966,736	966,736	966,736	-
Lease liabilities	144,502	217,951	18,372	199,579
Students' deposits	239,144	239,144	118,800	120,344
	1,565,101	1,638,550	1,318,627	319,923
Parent Company				
Trade payables	13,971	13,971	13,971	-
Other payables	180,603	180,603	180,603	-
Due to subsidiaries	164,691	164,691	164,691	-
	359,265	359,265	359,265	-
2021 Group				
Trade payables	172,375	172,375	172,375	-
Other payables*	2,194,513	2,194,513	2,194,513	-
Lease liabilities	154,459	236,493	18,372	218,121
Students' deposits	311,483	311,483	105,448	206,035
	2,832,830	2,914,864	2,490,708	424,156
Parent Company				
Other payables*	353,953	353,953	353,953	_
Due to subsidiaries	32,193	32,193	32,193	-
	386,146	386,146	386,146	-
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<sup>\*</sup> Excludes advance tuition fee, students deposit and research grant.

### 27. Financial risk management (continued)

#### Market risk

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

#### Foreign currency risk

The Group's and Parent Company's functional and presentation currency is Rial Omani and the Group's and Parent Company's performance is substantially independent of changes in foreign currency rates. There are no significant financial instruments denominated in foreign currencies and consequently foreign currency risk is not significant at reporting date.

#### **Interest-rate risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in interest rates.

As the Group and the Parent Company does not have any interest-bearing borrowings, management considers sensitivity analysis is not necessary due to the Group's and the Parent Company's limited exposure to interest rate risk.

# 28. Capital management

The Group's objectives when managing capital is to safeguard the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and benefit other stakeholders. The management's policy is to maintain a strong capital base so as to maintain creditor and market confidence and to sustain future development of the business. The capital requirements are determined by the Oman Commercial Companies Law of the Sultanate of Oman.

Management is confident of maintaining the current level of profitability by enhancing top line growth and prudent cost management.

## 29. Business and geographical segments

Management has determined the Group's operating segments based on the reports reviewed by the Chief Executive Officer that are used to make strategic decisions.

The Chief Executive Officer identifies operating segments based on a business perspective. The reportable operating segments derive their revenue primarily from providing educational services. Tuition fee represent the most significant component of revenue for the Group and the Parent Company for the current and previous year and no other segments are significant. The Group generates full revenue from the services provided in the Sultanate of Oman.

### 30. Reconciliation of liabilities arising from the financing activities

The table below details the changes in the Group's liabilities arising from financing activities. Liabilities arising from financing activities are those for which cash flows were, or future cash flows will be, classified in the Group's consolidated statement of cash flows from financing activities.

	At 1 September RO	Cash inflows RO	Cash outflows RO	Non-cash changes RO	At 31 August RO
2022	154,459	_	(18,542)	8,585	144,502
Lease liabilities			(10,342)		
	154,459	-	(18,542)	8,585	144,502
2021					
Bank borrowings	3,428,341	_	(3,428,341)	-	-
Lease liabilities	163,794	-	(18,469)	9,134	154,459
	3,592,135	_	(3,446,810)	9,134	154,459

# 31. Proposed distribution of dividend

The Board of Directors in their meeting held on 26 October 2022 has proposed a cash dividend of RO 1,400,000-20% (2021: RO 1,750,000-25%) for the year ended 31 August 2022, which is subject to the shareholders' approval in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

#### 32. Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The carrying amounts of the Group's and the Parent Company's financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair values at the reporting date.

### 33. Comparative information

Certain comparative figures of the previous year have been either regrouped or reclassified, wherever necessary, in order to conform to the presentation adopted in the current year's consolidated and separate financial statements. Such regrouping or reclassification did not affect previously reported net profit or shareholders' equity.

### 34. Subsequent events

There are no events occurring subsequent to 31 August 2022 and before the date of the report that are expected to have a significant impact on the consolidated financial statements of the Group and separate financial statements of the Parent Company.