

Good Hope PLC

Annual Report | 2015/16



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A CARSON CUMBERBATCH COMPANY

Financial Calendar

Financial Year End 31st March 2016

Announcement of Results

First Quarter ended 30th June 2015 14th August 2015

Second Quarter ended 30th September 2015 13th November 2015

Third Quarter ended 31st December 2015 12th February 2016

Dividend Declaration

First Interim Dividend 08th March 2016

107th Annual General Meeting 29th June 2016

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Chairman's Statement

Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am pleased to present the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements of Good Hope PLC for the year ended 31st March 2016, and welcome you to the One Hundred and Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Company.

Discontinued Operations in Malaysia.

An announcement was made in the Colombo Stock Exchange ("CSE") in 1st December 2015 on the inability of the Company to ensure that its public holding is maintained at the minimum level required as noted in section 13.1 of the Annual Report of the Board of Directors on the Affairs of the Company in page 15 to this Annual Report and as elaborated in my review for the previous year as well. The Company gave notice of an action plan that included, if feasible, the sale of the plantation in Malaysia and to distribute the proceeds thereof to the shareholders.

Subsequent to the above, the shareholders of the Company at an Extra Ordinary General meeting (EGM) approved the sale of the estate owned by the Company in Malaysia. A sale and purchase agreement (SPA) has been entered into for the sale of the plantation subject to receiving shareholder and relevant regulatory approvals. The transaction is expected to be completed within a period of 12 months.

As such, the operations in Malaysia has been re-classified in the financial statements presented herewith as "discontinued operations" in accordance with the requirements of the Sri Lanka Financial Reporting Standards (SLFRS). Profit earned from the plantations in Malaysia has hence

been identified as profit from discontinued operations and the net earnings from the investments of the Company have been identified as those from continuing operations in the Financial Statements.

The Malaysian plantation operations which have now being classified as discontinued operations, was subjected multiple challenges during the year as the CPO prices has been trading at lower end of the price cycle, whilst the overall production in Indonesia and in Malaysia were affected by drastic weather patterns. A more detailed assessment of the industry environment and the performance of the discontinued operations is explained in the "Review of Operations – Discontinued Operations" presented together with this annual report.

Further, the financial performance of the discontinued operations is also presented in the attached "Review of Operations – Discontinued Operations".

Combined financial performance

Your Company recorded a combined profit before tax of Rs. 73.86 mn for the year ended 31st March 2016, after taking into consideration other income of Rs. 28.91 mn mainly consisting of the amount received by the Company on account of late payment charges from local government, which is detailed in Note 7.5 to the Financial Statements as compared to Rs. 79.42 mn recorded in the year ended 31st March 2015. This was in connection to a compensation paid and accounted for in 2002/03 period, whereby the Company claimed for late payment charges which was received and accounted in the year now under review.

Chairman's Statement

The dividend income recorded during the period under review was low as no dividend income was received from the Company's long term unquoted investment, given the current performance of the global Oil Palm sector with continued low CPO prices as well as low crop production due to extreme weather patterns witnessed over the last 1-2 years. The combined net profit after tax for the period under review was Rs.61.45 mn as compared to Rs. 57.40 mn recorded in the previous financial year.

Pursuant to the approval obtained at the EGM for the sale of the estate owned in Malaysia the profit generated from plantation operations during the year has been re-classified as discontinued operations in accordance with the requirements of Sri Lanka Financial Reporting Standards (SLFRS), and presented in the financial statements accordingly. Income and expenses relevant to the investment operations (in Colombo) has been hence presented under continuing operations.

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my gratitude to all business associates, financiers, and the regulatory authorities in Sri Lanka and Malaysia for their continued support. I would be failing in my duties if I don't extend the appreciation of the Board of Directors of the Company to the shareholders for their continued support and confidence placed in the Directors. I also wish to thank our management and staff in Malaysia and Sri Lanka for all their hard work and dedication during an extremely volatile period. Last but not least, I would like to extend my appreciation to my fellow Board Members for their support and guidance throughout the year, and to the members of the Audit Committee, Remuneration Committee and Related Party Transactions Review Committee for their invaluable efforts.

(Sgd.)

H. Selvanathan
Chairman

27th May 2016

Review of Industry and Operational Performance

Review of Operations - Discontinued Operations

The operations of the company consists of two main segments as presented hitherto in the segmental analysis with the financial statements, i.e managing of its plantations in Malaysia (plantation operations) and investments made by the Company.

As explained in the Chairman's review, approval was received from the Shareholders of the Company for the sale of the plantation estate owned in Malaysia. A sale and purchase agreement (SPA) has been entered into for the sale of the plantation subject to receiving shareholder and relevant regulatory approvals. The transaction is expected to be completed within a period of 12 months.

Accordingly, the plantation operations has been re-classified as discontinued operations in accordance with the requirements of the Sri Lanka Financial Reporting Standards (SLFRS) and presented in the attached financial statements.

Accordingly, the following review of industry and operational performance is presented for plantation operations, which are classified as discontinued operations.

Review of Industry

We have seen a slowdown in the global economic outlook over the past three years, presenting multiple challenges to the Palm Oil industry. The Crude Palm Oil ("CPO") prices too have seen a similar trend with prices reaching a five year low over the last 1-2 year period, mostly trading at lower than average prices recorded

in the previous price cycles. CPO prices traded between RM 1,900-2,300 during most part of the financial year 2015/16.

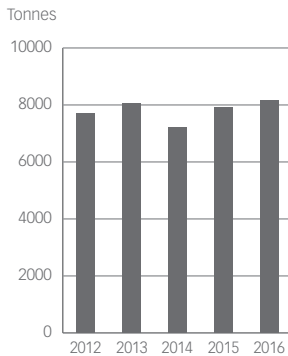
One of the main reasons for the prices to be lower than the expectations at the beginning of the financial year was the materialization of bumper Soybean crop driving Soybean Oil prices down. Sunflower Oil production too continued to be strong, supported by favourable weather conditions in producing countries. The decline in global crude oil prices too had an impact on the CPO prices, as the demand for Palm Oil based bio-diesel is affected by lower crude oil price regime.

Lower market prices for CPO had a significant impact on the "Revenue from the sale of FFB" for the period under review. The Company recorded a net sale average of MYR 451 per MT of FFB for the financial year 2015/16, compared to MYR 489 per MT of FFB recorded during the previous year, being a drop of 7.8%.

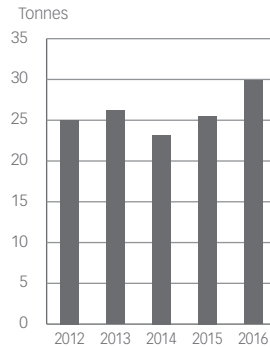
However, CPO prices have currently moved up trading at a range of RM 2,600-2,700 reflecting the anticipated drop in CPO production both in Malaysia and in Indonesia and given the expectation that supply will be lower than the demand for the coming year. Prices for most part of the year under review traded at a low range as CPO inventory in Malaysia increased, the effect of which was further compounded by bumper soybean oil and other competing oil crops. The declining CPO inventory levels and the low CPO production estimates have supported prices at current levels.

Review of Industry and Operational Performance

Crop Production



Yield per Ha.



In the medium term CPO prices are expected to be volatile with uncertainty in Global Crude Oil price movements along with other competing oil prices.

Overview of Financial and Operational Performance

The year under review also witnessed fluctuating weather patterns and resultant impact on crops due to biological factors, in most parts of Malaysia; except for East Malaysia. Accordingly, the crop performance of the plantations of your Company too was subject to these factors, the cropping pattern dropping substantially from the second half of the current financial year. This was largely due to the El-Nino phenomenon which was prevalent in South East Asia and the resulting dry weather conditions experienced.

However, due to the results from the corrective actions undertaken in the previous years on areas affected by pest and diseases, the overall crop production of the Company recorded an increase of

3% against the FFB production during the previous financial year partly offsetting the impact on revenue from the drop in sale prices for FFB. The crop production was significantly high during the first half of the financial year due to favourable conditions that prevailed during the period; however, crop production has since dropped from the second half onwards reflecting biological patterns.

As per accounting standards, the Company is required to translate income and expenditure items using the average rate of exchange. In the period under review, the MYR remained volatile resulting in a significant drop in average currency rate used for translation of the MYR revenue to LKR terms compared to the previous financial year, though the closing exchange rate drop from previous year to the current year was marginal. The combined revenue in Rupee terms for the period decreased by 17% consequent to the drop in the average exchange rate.

We have also been able to enhance the effectiveness of the field programs and fertilizer application activities through close supervision and adoption of best agronomy management practices, thereby continuously ensuring proper maintenance of general field condition and drainage management within the plantation.

As has been highlighted in previous years' annual reports, the Company continues its focus on improving the productivity levels of the workforce and harvesting efficiency. With the above initiatives in place the Company has managed the cost of production at RM.152.99 per MT of FFB which is similar to the cost recorded in previous year.

During the period under review the Company received Rs.28.65 mn on account of late payment charged from the local government of Malaysia based on a claim made by the Company in relation to compulsory acquisition of part of the Malaysian property in 2002/03 where the original claim has been received and accounted for in the previous financial years has detailed in Note 7.5 to the Financial Statements.

Resultantly, your Company recorded a profit after tax from discontinued operations of Rs.58.83mn during the year under review, as compared to Rs.54.65mn recorded in the previous year from these operations which are now re-classified as discontinued operations.

As at 31st March 2016, total planted hectarage was 313.44 ha, and 273.22 ha was classified as mature.

Payment of Super Gain Tax

As explained in Note 15 to the Financial Statements, as per the provisions of part III of the Finance Act, No. 10 of 2015 which was certified on 30th October 2015, the Company was liable to pay Super Gain Tax (SGT). Accordingly a total of Rs.17.21 mn was paid as SGT during the year under review.

Performance of Continuing Operations

This primarily consists of the investment made by the Company in Indonesia through Shalimar Developments Sdn. Bhd. and no dividend income was received during the year under review, given the relatively tough operating conditions and the resultant performance of the Indonesian investment during the year. Statistics pertaining to the Operating performance of the Indonesian Investment, PT Agro Indomas is provided in this annual report in section 9 under "information to Shareholders and Investors".

Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd.

Managers

27th May 2016

Risk Management

The Company's overall risk management objective is to ensure that it creates value to its shareholders, whilst minimizing any potential adverse impact. The established risk management framework is aligned to that of its parent company and Board approved policies and guidelines.

The integrated risk framework ensures prevention and early detection of risks as well as exploitation of opportunities contributing to a sustainable business model.

The risks are continuously reviewed and managed through the deployment of effective corrective actions. The following key risks are identified on a going concern basis for the Company.

However, as mentioned in the Chairman's Statement and also in the Circular released to the shareholders, the proposed sale of the Company's plantation property has been established taking into account the commercial value of the said land. The intended sale of the property via the executed Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) is subject to the Company meeting certain conditions such as obtaining required regulatory approvals in Malaysia and Sri Lanka.

Commodity Price Risk

The price of Crude Palm Oil (CPO) is determined based on international market forces. The sale of oil palm Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) is the prime source of cash inflow for the Company.

Our end product is FFB. FFB prices are derived from CPO prices. We supply our produce to palm oil mills within the region, based on pre-agreed terms.

Environmental Risk

Unfavourable global and local weather patterns, resulting in adverse weather conditions, natural and man-made disasters including fires and haze from fires, droughts, floods and crop disease could affect the quantity or quality of FFB we are able to harvest.

The Company adopts sound fertilizer applications to safeguard the operational yields that may be impacted due to adverse weather patterns. Furthermore, we have taken measures to ensure proper water management in flood prone areas so that long term benefits can be realized.

Potential crop production is affected by diseases such as Ganoderma, leaf eating insects and Bagworms ultimately impacting yields. The Company has set in place mechanisms to monitor pest attacks, and palms affected by Ganoderma are mounded in order to prolong its productive life. The Company has commenced replanting areas significantly impacted by Ganoderma after evaluating its future yield potential. Additionally, the Company manages its agronomy and plantation management practices according to industry best practices and Group's agronomy standards.

Labour Risk

A critical success factor for a labour intensive industry such as the oil palm plantation is the attraction and retention of skilled labour. It is quite challenging to attract locals for plantation work and the fact that the Malaysian government has imposed some restrictions in attracting labour from foreign regions has aggravated such vulnerabilities.

Another significant development is the noticeable shift in employment from

plantations to the manufacturing sector; creating a void in the labour market. We have managed to address any short fall that was encountered during the year.

Mandatory wage increases continue to burden the cost of production as it is not linked to commensurate productivity increases. This creates the need to manage costs through efficient processes and improved field conditions.

Operational Risk

The Malaysian plantations do not own CPO processing mills and thereby have a significant dependence on third party millers – which gives minimal influence as a price taker. Where possible; the Company negotiates better rates and terms whilst seeking alternative millers to reduce the bargaining power of existing mill owners.

Biological Asset Risk

The biological assets are stated at fair value and are assessed by an independent professional valuer using the discounted cash flows methodology. Some of the key assumptions which affect the valuation include the forecasted selling price of FFB, which is largely dependent on the projected international selling prices of CPO, and the applicable market discount rate which are beyond the control of the Company. While we take adequate measures to manage the controllable input of the valuation assumptions, volatility in the environmental and industry dynamics such as weather patterns, biological cycles, as well as changes in macro-economic and political factors including inflation rates and changes in the above mentioned factors also can result in fluctuations in the appraised fair value of our biological assets and may impact our financial results.

Financial Risks

Foreign Exchange Risk

The Company's exposure to foreign exchange risk is minimal as the Malaysian and Sri Lankan operations are primarily domestic and transactions are recorded in the respective functional currency, i.e., Malaysian Ringgit and Sri Lankan Rupee. However, a significant element of the risk is generated through the translation of results to Sri Lankan Rupee for the purpose of financial reporting as the principal operations are in Malaysia.

Credit Risk

The credit risk is primarily encountered through trade receivables, which arise from its operating activities and deposits with banking institutions. The Company trades only with recognized and credit worthy third parties and all customers are subject to a credit verification process. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an on-going basis with the result that the Company's exposure to bad debts is minimal.

Liquidity Risk

The Company manages such liquidity risk exposures through effective working capital management. The Company also has planning guidelines in place to ensure that the short term and medium term liquidity is managed at acceptable levels.

Investment Risk

Long term investments held by the Company are also in the Oil Palm Plantation industry and hence, the performance of the investee companies are subject to a similar risk profile noted herein which the Company is exposed to.

Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd.

Managers

27th May 2016

Profile of the Directors

Hariharan Selvanathan

Hariharan Selvanathan is the Chairman of Bukit Darah PLC and Deputy Chairman of Carson Cumberbatch PLC and Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd. He is the President Commissioner of the palm oil related companies in Indonesia. He holds Directorships in several subsidiary companies within the Carsons Group and is also a Director of Sri Krishna Corporation (Private) Limited and the Chairman of Express Newspapers (Ceylon) Ltd. He is also the Chairman of Carsons Management Services (Private) Limited and Agro Harapan Lestari (Private) Limited, the Group's Management Companies. He is a Past President of the National Chamber of Commerce and Past Vice Chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce (Sri Lanka).

He counts over 20 years of experience in commodity trading in International Markets.

He holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree.

Manoharan Selvanathan

Manoharan Selvanathan holds a Bachelor's Degree in Commerce, and is the Chairman of Sri Krishna Corporation (Private) Limited, Ceylon Finance & Securities (Private) Limited and Selinsing PLC, and is a Group Director of most Companies in the Carson Cumberbatch Group in Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore and is an active Member of its Executive Management Forums. He is also the Deputy Chairman of Ceybank Asset Management Ltd.

He has served as the Chairman of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce and the Indo Lanka Chamber of Commerce & Industry, and also as the President of the Rotary Club of Colombo North. At present he is the Honorary Consul of the Republic of Chile in Sri Lanka.

He was conferred the highest National Honours in Sri Lanka the 'DESAMANYA' title by H.E. the President of Sri Lanka, in recognition of the services rendered to the Nation in November 2005.

In January 2011, he was awarded with the prestigious 'PRAVASI BHARATIYA SAMMAN AWARD' by the President of India.

He also received the Presidential Honour of 'ORDER OF KNIGHT COMMANDER' in October 2013, awarded by the Government of Chile.

Israel Paulraj

Israel Paulraj is the Chairman of Ceylon Guardian Investment Trust PLC, Ceylon Investment PLC, Guardian Capital Partners PLC and Rubber Investment Trust Limited. He serves as a Director of Carson Cumberbatch PLC and of several of the subsidiary companies within the Carsons Group.

He served as Past Chairman of the Federation of Exporters Associations of Sri Lanka and the Coconut Products Traders Association. He was a Member of the Executive Committee of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce, National Chamber of Commerce of Sri Lanka and

Shippers Council. He served on the Board of Arbitrators of The Ceylon Chamber of Commerce. He has served as Hony. General Secretary of the Central Council of Social Services, Hony. Treasurer of the Christian Conference in Asia, President of the Church of Ceylon Youth Movement and Hony. Treasurer of the National Christian Council of Sri Lanka. He has also served as Chairman of the Incorporated Trustees of the Church of Ceylon.

He also served on the Presidential Task Force on Non-Traditional Export and Import Competitive Agriculture set up by President R.Premadasa. He served as Chairman of the Ecumenical Loan Fund of Sri Lanka and on its International Board in Geneva. He was a Member of the Commercial Law Reform Commission and has served on the Parliamentary Consultative Committee on Internal and International Trade.

He holds a Bachelor of Law Degree and an Executive Diploma in Business Administration.

Chandima Gunawardena

Chandima Gunawardena serves as a Non-Independent, Non-Executive Director of Carson Cumberbatch PLC and in most of the Carsons Group Companies in Sri Lanka and overseas. He is also a Director of Bukit Darah PLC. Since assuming Non-Executive status in the Group, he serves as an advisor to the Group's Strategic Planning and Management Forums in Sri Lanka and serves on Board Committees including the Audit Committees of the

Group in Sri Lanka and overseas covering all operating sectors of the Group.

He has over four decades of experience in varied fields of business and commercial activities and has held senior positions in Corporate, Mercantile and State Institutions. He was appointed to the Carsons Group Directorate in 1990.

He has served in the Management Committee of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce for over 10 years and was a Founder Council Member of the Sri Lanka Institute of Directors (SLID) and continued to serve in the council for over 10 years.

He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, UK.

Chandana Tissera

Chandana Tissera is a Director of Carson Cumberbatch PLC and presently serves as the Chief Executive Officer for the Plantations, Oils and Fats Sector of the Carsons Group. He is also a Director of several other subsidiary companies of the Group. He has served as the Chief Executive Officer of the Investment Sector and as Director Finance of the Carsons Group.

He has previously served on the Board of Union Assurance PLC and counts over 31 years of experience in the fields of manufacturing, financial services, capital market operations, overseas plantations, project development and management services. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Management, UK.

Profile of the Directors

Tennyson Rodrigo

Tennyson Rodrigo is a Director of Indo-Malay PLC. He is the former Managing Director and Chief Executive of Capital Development and Investment Company PLC, Chairman of CDIC Sassoon Cumberbatch Stockbrokers (Pvt) Ltd, and the Past Chairman of the Audit Committee of Eagle Insurance PLC. He was the Expert Advisor to the Carson Cumberbatch PLC - Audit Committee, in respect of the Real Estate, Hotels and Airlines, Investment Holding and Financial Services and Management Services Sector Companies of the Group.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry and Mathematics from the University of Ceylon and a Bachelor of Science (Hons) Degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of New South Wales, Australia.

He is a Chartered Engineer and a Member of the Institute of Chemical Engineers, UK.

Kenneth Sellayah

Kenneth Sellayah is a Director of Shalimar (Malay) PLC and Prime Property Management Services (Pvt) Ltd. He is also a former Director of Shaw Wallace & Hedges Ltd, General Manager of Ceylon Trading Co. Ltd, Director of several of its subsidiaries and Managing Director of Scanships Ltd. He served as Chairman of the Coconut and General Products Exporters Association and the Exports Section of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce.

He is a former Director of CPC (Lanka) Ltd, CPC Agrifoods Ltd and a Member of several Committees of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce. He is a Member of the Institute of Exports, UK and the Chartered Management Institute, UK.

Subramaniam Mahendrarajah

(Alternate Director to Israel Paulraj)

Subramaniam Mahendrarajah is a Director of Selinsing PLC, Shalimar (Malay) PLC, Indo-Malay PLC, Guardian Capital Partners PLC, Equity One PLC and Leechman & Company (Private) Ltd. He is also the Group Finance Director of Sri Krishna Group of Companies. He has over 40 years experience in the fields of manufacturing, trading, financial services and management. He is also the Past President of the Rotary Club of Colombo Down Town and is the recipient of the prestigious 'Service above Self' award from Rotary International.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Directors in relation to the Financial Statements are detailed in the following paragraphs, while the responsibilities of the Auditors are set out in the Report of the Auditors.

According to the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 and the Sri Lanka Accounting & Auditing Standards Act No. 15 of 1995, Directors are required to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year, giving a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at the end of the financial year and of the financial performance for the said period.

In preparing these Financial Statements the Directors are required to ensure that:

- appropriate accounting policies have been selected and applied consistently while material departures, if any, have been disclosed and explained,
- all applicable accounting standards have been complied with,
- reasonable and prudent judgments and estimates have been made,
- listing rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) have been met, and
- Code of Best Practice on Corporate Governance issued jointly by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka (ICASL) and the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka (SEC) has been adopted.

The Directors are responsible for ensuring that the Company maintains sufficient accounting records to disclose with

reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Company in order to ensure that the Financial Statements of the Company meet with the requirements of the Sri Lanka Accounting & Auditing Standards Act No. 15 of 1995 and the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007. They are also responsible for taking reasonable measures to safeguard the assets of the Company and in this regard to give proper consideration to the establishment of an appropriate system of internal controls with a view to prevent, detect and rectify frauds and other irregularities.

These Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis after reviewing the financial position and the cash flows and the Directors are of the view that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future.

The Directors are also of the view that they have discharged their responsibilities as set out in this statement.

By Order of the Board,

(Sgd.)

K. D. De Silva (Mrs.)

Director

Carsons Management Services (Pvt) Ltd.
Secretaries

27th May 2016

Annual Report of the Board of Directors on the Affairs of the Company

The details set out herein provide the pertinent information required by the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007, Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange and recommended best accounting practices. The Annual Report was approved by the Directors on 27th May 2016.

1. General

The Directors have pleasure in presenting to the shareholders their Report together with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2016 of Good Hope PLC, a public limited liability company incorporated in Sri Lanka in 1910.

2. The Principal Activities of the Company

There were no significant changes in the nature of the principal activities of the Company during the financial year under review, where the principal activity of the Company continues to be cultivation of oil palm and managing and holding of an investment portfolio.

3. Review of Operations

The review of the Company's operations during the year, with comments on financial results is stated in the Chairman's Statement on pages

1 and 2 and Review of Industry and Operational Performance on pages 3 to 5. These reports form an integral part of the Annual Report of the Board of Directors on the Affairs of the Company.

4. Financial Results

The Shareholders of the Company at an Extra Ordinary General meeting (EGM) held on 26th May 2016 approved the sale of the palm oil plantation property owned by the Company in Malaysia. A sale and purchase agreement (SPA) was entered into for the sale of the plantation subject to receiving shareholder and relevant regulatory approvals.

As such, the operations in Malaysia has been re-classified in the financial statements presented herewith as "discontinued operations" in accordance with the requirements of the Sri Lanka Financial Reporting Standards (SLFRS). Hence, profit earned from the palm oil plantation in Malaysia has been identified as profit from discontinued operations and the net earnings from the investments of the Company have been identified as those from "continuing operations" in the Financial Statements.

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000
Profit after tax from continuing operations	2,612	2,744
Profit after tax from discontinued operations	58,834	54,651
Profit for the year	61,446	57,395
Profit brought forward from previous year	275,142	284,262
Super gain tax expense	(17,211)	-
Profit available for appropriation	319,377	341,657
Other Comprehensive Income	(488)	618
Appropriation		
Final dividend - 2013/14	-	(67,133)
First and final dividend - 2014/15	(25,561)	-
Interim dividend - 2015/16	(56,414)	-
Unappropriated profit carried forward	236,914	275,142

The Company recorded a net profit after tax from continuing operations and discontinued operations amounting to Rs. 2.61 mn and Rs. 58.84 mn respectively for the current year. An abridgement of the Company's performance is presented in the table on page 12 above.

5. Auditors' Report

The Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements is given on page 28 of this Annual Report.

6. Significant Accounting Policies

The Accounting Policies adopted in the preparation of the Financial Statements are given on pages 34 to 49 in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

7. Financial Statements

The Company has prepared its Financial Statements in compliance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLFRS and LKAS).

The Financial Statements of the Company comprising the Statement of Profit or Loss, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Changes in Equity and Cash Flow Statement together with the accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2016, are set out on pages 29 to 70.

8. Statement of Directors' Responsibilities

The Statement of Directors' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements is given on page 11 of this Annual Report.

9. Interests Register

9.1 Directors' Interests

The Company maintains an Interests Register in conformity with the provisions of the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007.

All Directors have made declarations as provided for in Section 192(2) of the Companies Act aforesaid.

The relevant details as required by the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 have been entered in the Interests Register during the year under review.

The Interests Register is available for inspection as required under the Companies Act.

9.2 Remuneration of Directors

The Directors' remuneration of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March 2016 is given in Note 24.2 to the Financial Statements on pages 69.

Aggregate remuneration paid to the Non-Executive Directors are disclosed under Note 24.2 on page 69.

Executive Directors are not compensated for their role on the Board.

9.3 Directors' Interests in Contracts and Shares

Directors' interests in contracts of the Company are disclosed in Note 24.3 on page 69 to the Financial Statements and have been declared at meetings of the Directors. The Directors have no direct or indirect interest in any other contracts or proposed contracts in relation to the business of the Company, while they had the following interests in ordinary shares of the Company.

Annual Report of the Board of Directors on the Affairs of the Company

	No. of shares	
	31st March 2016	1st April 2015
Mr. H. Selvanathan	-	-
Mr. M. Selvanathan	1	1
Mr. I. Paulraj	-	-
Mr. T. Rodrigo	-	-
Mr. A.K. Sellayah	-	-
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	-	-
Mr. P.C.P. Tissera	-	-
Mr. S. Mahendrarajah (Alternate to Mr. I. Paulraj)	86	86

10. Corporate Donations

There were no donations granted during the year.

11. Directors

The names of the Directors who served during the financial year are given under Corporate Information provided in the Inner Back Cover of this Annual Report.

11.1 Directors to Retire by Rotation

In terms of Articles 98 & 99 of the Articles of Association of the Company, Mr. P.C.P.Tissera retires by rotation and being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

11.2 Appointment of Directors who are over Seventy Years of Age

M/s. I. Paulraj, T. Rodrigo and A.K. Sellayah were re-appointed as Directors of the Company at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 26th May 2016, until the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the Company, or for a further period of one year commencing from 29th May 2016, whichever comes first.

Accordingly, M/s. I. Paulraj, T. Rodrigo and A.K. Sellayah are to be re-appointed as Directors of the Company for a further period of one year from the

conclusion of the Annual General Meeting and the age limit stipulated in Section 210 of the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 shall not be applicable to the said Directors.

12. Auditors

The Company's Auditors during the year under review were Messrs. Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants.

A sum of Rs.692,000 was paid to them by the Company as audit fees for the year ended 31st March 2016 (2015: Rs.668,000).

The retiring Auditors have expressed their willingness to continue in office. A resolution to re-appoint them as Auditors of the Company and authorizing the Directors to fix their remuneration will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

The Audit Committee reviewed the appointment of the Auditors, its effectiveness and its relationship with the Group, including the level of audit and non-audit fees paid to the Auditors.

12.1. Auditors' Relationship or any Interest with the Company

The Directors are satisfied that, based on written representations made by the Independent Auditors to the Board, the Auditors did not have any interest with the Company that would impair their independence.

13. Compliance with Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange

The Board has ensured that the Company has complied with the Rules pertaining to Corporate Governance and Related Party Transactions as per the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE).

13.1 Minimum Public Holding

As per the Colombo Stock Exchange (CSE) Listing Rule No. 7.13, a Listed Entity on the Main Board having a Public Holding below the specified requirement in terms of the CSE Rules, has to ensure that the Public Holding of such Entity is maintained at a minimum level of 15% of its total ordinary voting shares in the hands of a minimum number of 500 public shareholders on or before 31st December 2015. The Company does not at present satisfy the requirement relating to minimum public holding.

Accordingly, the Company has made an application to the Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka on 1st December 2015 requesting an extension to maintain the Minimum Public Holding of the Company below the required Levels till 31st December 2017 and informing the Action Plan of the Company. The Company has already made an announcement on 1st December 2015 to the shareholders detailing the Action Plan of the Company.

13.2. Board of Directors

The following Directors held office during the year under review and their brief profiles are given on pages 8 to 10 of this Annual Report.

Directors	Executive/ Non-Executive/ Independent
Mr. H. Selvanathan	Executive
Mr. M. Selvanathan	Executive
Mr. I. Paulraj	Non-Executive
Mr. T. Rodrigo	Non-Executive/ Independent*
Mr. A.K. Sellayah	Non-Executive/ Independent**
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	Non-Executive
Mr. P.C.P. Tissera	Executive
Mr. S. Mahendrarajah (Alternate Director to Mr. I. Paulraj)	

Each of the Non-Executive Directors of the Company has submitted a signed declaration on Independence/Non-Independence as per Rule 7.10.2.b. of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange. The said declarations were tabled at a Board Meeting held on 25th April 2016, in order to enable the Board of Directors to determine the Independence/Non-Independence of the Non-Executive Directors.

Accordingly, the Board has determined the following Non-Executive Directors as Independent Directors on the Board.

* The Board has determined that Mr. T. Rodrigo is an Independent Director in spite of being on the Board for more than nine years and being a Director of Indo-Malay PLC in which majority of the other Directors of the Board are also Directors, since he is not directly involved in the management of the Company.

** The Board has determined that Mr. A. K. Sellayah is an Independent Director in spite of being on the Board for more than nine years and being a Director of Shalimar (Malay) PLC in which majority of the other Directors of the Board are also Directors, since he is not directly involved in the management of the Company.

The Managers of the Company are Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd.

13.3 Directors' Meetings

Three Board Meetings were convened during the financial year and the attendance of the Directors were as follows:

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Directors	Meetings Attended (out of 3)
Mr. H. Selvanathan	3
Mr. M. Selvanathan	3
Mr. I. Paulraj	3
Mr. T. Rodrigo	2
Mr. A.K. Sellayah	2
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	3
Mr. P.C.P. Tissera	3
Mr. S. Mahendrarajah (Alternate Director to Mr. I. Paulraj)	-

13.4 Remuneration Committee

In terms of Rule 7.10.5. a of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange, the Remuneration Committee of Carson Cumberbatch PLC (CCPLC), the parent Company of Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd (GAHL), functions as the Remuneration Committee of the Company and comprises of the following members.

Remuneration Committee Members	Executive/ Non-Executive/ Independent
Mr. I. Paulraj (Chairman)	Non-Executive Director of CCPLC
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	Non-Executive Director of CCPLC
Mr. R. Theagarajah	Non-Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC
Mr. W. M. R. S. Dias*	Non- Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC
Mr. T. De Zoysa**	Non- Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC

* Appointed w.e.f. 18th May 2015

** Appointed w.e.f. 28th July 2015

Scope and objectives

The primary objective of the Remuneration Committee is to lead and establish a formal and transparent procedure for the development of a remuneration policy and the establishment of a remuneration structure.

A remuneration policy has been formulated based on market and industry factors and individual performance for all Group Companies.

Functions and Proceedings

The Remuneration Committee recommends to the Board, the remuneration to be paid to the Chief Executive Officer, Executive Directors, Non-Executive Directors. Based on the recommendation of the Remuneration Committee, the Board approves remuneration to the respective Directors.

The Chief Executive Officer, Director-in-charge and other members of senior management may be invited to attend meetings to discuss the performance of the Executive Directors and make proposals as necessary. Neither Executive nor Non-Executive Directors are involved in Remuneration Committee meetings when determinations are made in relation to the remuneration of the respective Directors.

The Committee is authorized by the Board to seek appropriate professional advice internally and externally as and when it considers this necessary.

The Remuneration Committee meets at least twice a year.

Aggregated remuneration paid to the Non-Executive Directors are disclosed under Note 24.2 on page 69.

Executive Directors are not compensated for their role on the Board.

13.5 Audit Committee

As per Rule 7.10.6 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange the Audit Committee of CCPLC, the parent Company of Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd (GAHL), functions as the Audit Committee of the Company and comprises of the following members:

Audit Committee Members	Executive/ Non-Executive/ Independent
Mr. V.P. Malalasekera (Chairman)	Non-Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	Non-Executive Director of CCPLC
Mr. F. Mohideen	Non-Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC

The Audit Committee report is given on pages 23 to 24 of this Annual Report.

13.6 Related Party Transactions Review Committee

As per Rule 9.2.3 of the Listing Rules of the Colombo Stock Exchange the Related Party Transactions Review Committee of CCPLC, the parent company of Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd (GAHL), functions as the Related Party Transactions Review Committee (RPTRC) of the Company w.e.f. 1st January 2016 and comprises of the

following members:

RPTRC Members	Executive/ Non-Executive/ Independent
Mr. V.P. Malalasekera (Chairman)	Non-Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC
Mr. F. Mohideen	Non-Executive/ Independent Director of CCPLC
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	Non-Executive Director of CCPLC
Mr. H. Selvanathan	Executive Director of CCPLC
Mr. M. Selvanathan	Executive Director of CCPLC
Mr. S.K. Shah	Executive Director of CCPLC

The Related Party Transactions Review Committee report is given on pages 25 and 26 of this Annual Report.

13.6.1 Non-Recurrent Related Party Transactions

There were no Non-Recurrent Related Party Transactions which in aggregate value exceeds 10% of the equity or 5% of the total assets whichever is lower of the Company as per audited Financial Statements of 31st March 2015, which required additional disclosures in the Annual Report 2015/16 under Colombo Stock Exchange listing Rule 9.3.2 and Code of Best Practices on Related Party Transactions under the Securities and Exchange Commission Directive issued under Section 13 (c) of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act.

Non-recurrent Related Party Transactions are disclosed under Note 24.1 on page 68 to the Financial Statements.

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13.6.2 Recurrent Related Party Transactions

All the Recurrent Related Party Transactions which in aggregate value exceeds 10% of the revenue of the Company as per audited financial Statements of 31st March 2015 are disclosed under Note 24.1 on page 68 to the Financial Statements, as required by Colombo Stock Exchange listing Rule 9.3.2 and Code of Best Practices on Related Party Transactions under the Securities and Exchange Commission Directive issued under Section 13(c) of the Securities and Exchange Commission Act

14. Dividend

The Company has paid an Interim dividend of Rs.8.21 per share resulting in a total outflow of Rs.56,413,430.47 during the year.

15. Solvency Test

Taking into account the said distribution, the Directors were satisfied that the Company met the Solvency Test requirement under Section 56 (2) of the Companies Act, No. 7 of 2007 immediately after the distribution. The Company's Auditors, Messrs. Ernst & Young have issued a Certificate of Solvency confirming the same.

16. Stated Capital

The Stated Capital of the Company as at 31st March 2016 was Rs. 68,713,070 comprising of 6,871,307 ordinary shares given in Note 13 on page 62. There was no change in the Stated Capital of the Company during the year.

17. Shareholders' Funds

Total reserves of the Company as at 31st March 2016 was Rs. 6,888.87mn (2015: Rs.5,752.55 mn) comprising of retained earnings of Rs. 236.91 mn

(2015: Rs.275.14 mn) and other reserves of Rs.6,651.95 mn (2015: Rs.5,477.41 mn). Total reserves combined with stated capital as at 31st March 2016 was Rs.6,957.58 mn (2015: Rs.5,821.27 mn).

The movements are shown in the Statement of Changes in Equity given on page 32.

18. Capital Expenditure and Investments

The total expenditure on purchases of property, plant & equipment and development cost of biological assets during the year amounted to Rs. 14.44 mn (2015: Rs.4.72 mn).

The movements in property, plant & equipment and biological assets during the year are set out in Notes 9 and 10 on pages 57 to 60 respectively.

19. Sale of Property

Further to the market disclosure dated 01st December 2015 in which the Company gave notice of an action plan that included, if feasible, the sale of the plantation in Malaysia. A non-related company incorporated in Malaysia expressed interest in purchasing the Overseas Plantation assets of the company (consisting of the Property Plant and Equipment and the Biological Assets) and submitted an offer of Rs. 6,429.50 mn (RM 175 mn). The Board of Directors after careful evaluation and consideration have executed a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) with the buyer to sell the Plantation for Rs. 6,429.50 mn (RM 175 mn) which is subject to conditions such as;

- a) receipt of shareholder approval
- b) relevant approval from the regularity bodies in Malaysia, and

- c) approval from the Central Bank of Sri Lanka within stipulated time lines.

Shareholder approval for the sale of the plantation property of the company (above (a)) was obtained at the Extra Ordinary General Meeting held on 26th May 2016.

Non-current assets of the Company and disposal groups were classified as held for sale as the management intention to recover the carrying amount principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. The company's plantation property in Malaysia (disposal group) is available for immediate sale in its present condition. After the careful evaluation, the Board of Directors consider that the sale of the above property is highly probable and the management is committed to the sale, which is expected to be qualified for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification as "held for sale".

As more fully disclosed under note 7 in pages 52 to 55 to the financial statements, net book value of Property, Plant & Equipment and Biological Assets amounting to Rs.1,324.80 mn and Rs. 246.44 mn, respectively have been reclassified and reported as "asset held for sale". Further, the related liabilities of the plantation property of the Company are also reclassified as "liabilities associated with asset held for sale" under current liabilities.

Since the execution of the SPA is conditional upon fulfilment of (b) and (c) as noted above, the assets continue to be carried in the Company's books using the valuation basis/method consistent with that of the previous years.

20. Value of the Properties

The Company consequent to the market disclosure dated 1st December 2015, as explained in 9.1 (ii) to the Financial Statements, obtained the following valuations of the property by engaging independent professional valuers to ascertain the realizable value of the property.

- (a) Savills (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. of RM 157 mn (Rs.5,768.18 mn).
- (b) Jones Lang Wootton (Proprietor: Singham Sulaiman Sdn Bhd) of RM 170 mn (Rs.6,245.80 mn).
- (c) W. M. Malik & Kamaruzaman of RM 95.63 mn (Rs.3,513.26 mn).

As explained in note 7 to the financial statements, the Company has executed a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) with a non-related company incorporated in Malaysia to sell the overseas plantation assets of the Company (consisting of the Property Plant and Equipment and the Biological Assets) for Rs. 6,429.50 mn (RM 175 mn). Accordingly, the above values will be incorporated into financial statements upon actual realization of the sale of the property.

The Company continues to recognise the fair value based on existing use basis (oil palm plantation) for the Financial Statements consistent with that of the previous year as disclosed in the Accounting Policy 2.3. 1.4 (b). Accordingly the freehold land was revalued in March 2016 based on existing use (oil palm plantation) basis, by an independent professional valuer W. M. Malik, a member of the Institution of Surveyors, Malaysia, a partner with W. M. Malik & Kamaruzaman. Revaluation gain over the carrying value of the freehold land has been credited to the capital accretion reserve and included under other reserves.

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The value of freehold land reflected in the Financial Statements as at 31st March 2016 is Rs.1,307.84 mn compared to Rs.1,242.36 mn in 2015. The details of freehold land valuation are given in Note 9.1(ii) on page 58 to the Financial Statements.

21. Value of Biological Assets

Biological assets of the Company are stated at fair value less cost to sell. The Company obtains the services of an independent professional valuer at each reporting date to establish the fair value of Biological assets which are performed in accordance with international valuation standards and considering industry specific and relevant methodologies. The valuation basis/techniques and the assumptions used therein have been deliberated and agreed by the Management and are disclosed under Note 10 to the Financial Statements.

Accordingly the fair value of biological assets as at 31st March 2016 was Rs. 246.44 mn (2015: Rs. 237.59 mn) as disclosed under Note 10 on pages 59 to 60 to the Financial Statements. Further net carrying value of biological assets has been reclassified as assets held for sale as disclosed in note 7 on pages 52 to 55 to the financial statements.

22. Value of the Investment Portfolio

Quoted Investments - The Company's quoted investments are valued with references to published market prices of Colombo Stock Exchange.

Unquoted Investments - The Company obtained the services of PricewaterhouseCoopers Capital Sdn. Bhd, Malaysia (PWC) to value the indicative fair value of the Company's equity interest in the unquoted

investment in SDSB. The methodology followed, key assumptions used and sensitivity analysis are disclosed in Note 11 to the Financial Statements. The valuation techniques, inputs and assumptions used in the valuation have been deliberated and agreed by the management and are consistent with the previous years.

The fair value of the Company's investment portfolio as at 31st March 2016 was Rs. 5,491.01 mn (2015: Rs. 4,384.89 mn). The fair value and the basis of valuation are disclosed under Note 11 on page 60 to page 62 of the Financial Statements.

23. Statutory Payments

The Directors to the best of their knowledge and belief are satisfied that all statutory payments have been paid up to date or have been provided for in the Financial Statements.

The Company paid Rs. 17.21 mn as Super Gain Tax (SGT) during the year under review and the details are disclosed under Note 15 in page 63 to the Financial Statements.

24. Going Concern

The Financial Statements of the Company have been prepared on a going concern basis after evaluation of the current status of the proposed disposal of the overseas plantations assets (refer Note 25 to the Financial Statements). Having taken into account the above and the financial position, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company's investments segment operation will continue for the foreseeable future.

25. Events after the Reporting Date

Events after the reporting date are disclosed in the Financial Statements in Note 22 on page 67 to the Financial Statements.

26. Share Information

The details relating to earnings, net assets, market value per share and information on share trading is given on pages 82 to 85 of this Annual Report.

27. Annual Report

The Board of Directors on 27th May 2016 approved the Company's Financial Statements together with the Reviews which form part of the Annual Report. The appropriate number of copies of the report would be submitted to the Colombo Stock Exchange, Sri Lanka Accounting and Auditing Standards Monitoring Board and the Registrar General of Companies within the given time frames.

28. Annual General Meeting

The One Hundred and Seventh Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held on the 29th June 2016 at 9.00 a.m at the 8th floor, No. 65 C, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 7, Sri Lanka.

The Notice of the Annual General Meeting is on page 88 of this Annual Report.

29. Twenty Major Shareholders

As at 31st March	2016		2015	
	No. of shares	%	No. of shares	%
Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd	6,494,599	94.52	6,492,492	94.49
Miss B.R.L.B. Davi (Decd)	146,966	2.14	146,966	2.14
Maj.Gen N.S.S.J. Bahadur Rana	41,990	0.61	41,990	0.61
Mr. A.O. Wanner (Decd)	20,995	0.31	20,995	0.31
Mrs. M. Van Rooyen	20,995	0.31	20,995	0.31
Mr. W.R.F. Spearman	20,995	0.31	20,995	0.31
Mr. K.C. Vignarajah	12,000	0.17	11,891	0.17
Mrs. S. Vignarajah	11,704	0.17	11,700	0.17
Miss. N.M. Jarvis	10,497	0.15	10,497	0.15
Mr. F.W. Obeyesekere (Decd)	8,397	0.12	8,397	0.12
Mr. C.C.S. Stephenson (Decd)	8,397	0.12	8,397	0.12
Mrs. R.M.M. Dean	7,275	0.11	7,275	0.11
Mr. A.M.A. Vanderspar	6,858	0.10	6,858	0.10
Mrs. C.M. Papageorge	6,717	0.10	6,717	0.10
Mrs. M.R. Layton (Decd)	5,176	0.08	5,176	0.08
Admnx. of E. Ramiah (Decd)	5,176	0.08	5,176	0.08
Mr. N. Izat (Decd)	4,197	0.06	4,197	0.06
Mr. O.K. Shahul Hameed	3,888	0.06	3,888	0.06
Mr. S.A. Obeyesekere	2,098	0.03	2,098	0.03
Mrs. G.S. Amerasinghe	2,098	0.03	2,098	0.03

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30. Internal Control and Risk Management

The Board is responsible for the establishment of the Company's internal controls and its effectiveness. Internal control is established so as to safeguard the assets, prevent and detect frauds and irregularities and to make available, accurate and timely information. However, any system can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance that errors and irregularities are prevented or detected within a reasonable time frame. The Board is of the view that the system of internal controls in place is sound and adequate to provide reasonable assurance. The Group's internal audit division plays an important role in assessing the effectiveness and the implementation of the internal control system. Further, the Audit Committee receives reports on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Company's internal control. The Board is also conscious of the risks and have identified and listed out the risks profile as given on pages 6 and 7 of this Annual Report. Action plans to monitor and manage these risks are incorporated into the business plans and reviewed on a continuous basis.

31. Pending Litigation

There are no litigations currently pending against the Company.

32. Human Resources

The Company has no employees other than the plantation workers in its Malaysian operations, since the business and operation of the Company are managed by Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd. The Company has had no material issues pertaining to employees and industrial relations during the year ended 31st March 2016.

Signed for and on behalf of the Board,

(Sgd.)

H. Selvanathan
Chairman

(Sgd.)

P.C.P. Tissera
Director

(Sgd.)

K.D. De Silva (Mrs.)
Director

Carsons Management Services (Pvt) Ltd.
Secretaries

27th May 2016

Audit Committee Report

Audit Committee

In accordance with the Colombo Stock Exchange Listing Rules, the Audit Committee of Carson Cumberbatch PLC (CCPLC), the Parent Company of Goodhope Asia Holdings Limited (GAHL), functions as the Audit Committee of the Company.

The Audit Committee consists of the following Members:

Audit Committee Members	Executive/ Non-Executive/ Independent
Mr.V.P. Malalasekera	Non-Executive/ Independent (CCPLC)
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	Non-Executive (CCPLC)
Mr. F. Mohideen	Non-Executive/ Independent (CCPLC)

Mr.V.P. Malalasekera is a Non-Executive, Independent Director of CCPLC and a former Director of Ceylon Tobacco Company PLC.

Mr.D.C.R. Gunawardena is a Non-Executive Director of CCPLC and in most of its Group Companies. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, U.K.

Mr.F. Mohideen, a Non-Executive, Independent Director of CCPLC, was a former Deputy Secretary to the Treasury and a former Director of Bank of Ceylon and Securities and Exchange Commission of Sri Lanka.

The audit aspects of Good Hope PLC are conducted within the Agenda of CCPLC - Audit Committee.

Meetings of the Audit Committee

CCPLC-Audit Committee held Four (4) Meetings during the financial year to discuss matters relating to the Company.

The attendance of the Members of the Committee was as follows:

	Meetings Attended (out of 4)
Mr. V.P. Malalasekera	4
Mr. D.C.R. Gunawardena	4
Mr. F. Mohideen	4

The Audit Committee Meetings were attended by the Chief Financial Officer-Plantations and Oils & Fats Sector, Internal Auditors, as well as the Senior Management staff members.

The Committee met the External Auditors, Messrs.Ernst & Young twice during the year to discuss the audit scope and to deliberate the draft Financial Report and Accounts. The Audit Committee also discussed the draft Financial Report and Accounts with the External Auditors, without the management being present.

Purpose of the Audit Committee

To assist the Board of Directors in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities for the financial reporting process, the system of internal control over financial reporting, the audit process and the Company's process for monitoring compliance with laws and regulations, Company policies and procedures and the code of conduct.

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To ensure that the internal audit activity is well managed, so that it adds value to the organization by being objective in providing relevant assurance, contributing to the effectiveness and efficiency of governance, risk management and control processes.

Financial Statements

The interim financial statements of Good Hope PLC have been reviewed by the Audit Committee Members at Audit Committee Meetings. The draft Financial Statements of Good Hope PLC for the year ended 31st March 2016 were also reviewed at a meeting of the Audit Committee Members, together with the External Auditors, Messrs. Ernst & Young, prior to release of same to the Regulatory Authorities and to the shareholders. The Audit Committee Members were provided with confirmations and declarations as required, by the Managers, Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd. that the said Financial Statements were prepared in accordance with the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLFRS/LKAS) and the information required by the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 therein and presented a true and fair view of the Company's state of affairs as at that date and the Company's activities during the year under review.

Internal Audit

In accordance with the recommendation of the Audit Committee, the financial audits are carried out annually, whilst the field audits at estate level are planned and implemented every alternate year, which are carried out by the Plantation Sector Internal Audit Team. As directed by the

Audit Committee, the Plantation Sector Internal Audit carried out a sales pricing related review during the current year.

External Audit

The Members of the Audit Committee have determined that Messrs. Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants were independent on the basis that they did not carry out any special assignment on the operations of the Company. The Committee has reviewed the external audit plan, as well as the management letter and followed up on issues raised.

The Members of the Audit Committee have concurred to recommend to the Board of Directors the re-appointment of Messrs. Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants, as Auditors for the financial year ending 31st March 2017, subject to the approval of the shareholders of Good Hope PLC at the Annual General Meeting.

(Sgd.)

V.P. Malalasekera

Chairman – Audit Committee

Carson Cumberbatch PLC

27th May 2016

Related Party Transactions Review Committee Report

The Related Party Transactions Review Committee (RPTRC) of Carson Cumberbatch PLC was constituted on 1st January 2016.

In accordance with the Colombo Stock Exchange Listing Rules, the RPTRC of Carson Cumberbatch PLC (CCPLC), the Parent Company of Goodhope Asia Holdings Limited (GAHL), functions as the RPTRC of the Company.

Composition of the Committee

The Members of the RPTRC are as follows :

1. Mr. V. P. Malalasekera (Chairman)
- Non-Executive/Independent Director of CCPLC
2. Mr. F. Mohideen - Non-Executive/Independent Director of CCPLC
3. Mr. D. C. R. Gunawardena - Non-Executive Director of CCPLC
4. Mr. H. Selvanathan - Executive Director of CCPLC
5. Mr. M. Selvanathan - Executive Director of CCPLC
6. Mr. S. K. Shah - Executive Director of CCPLC

Purpose of the Committee

The objective of the RPTRC is to review all Related Party Transactions (RPTs) of the Listed Companies of the Carsons Group, other than those exempted by the 'Related Party Transactions Compliance Code',

prior to the transaction being entered into or, if the transaction is expressed to be conditional on such review, prior to the completion of the transaction.

Policies and Procedures

- The RPTRC reviews all the Related Party Transactions of the Listed Companies of the Carsons Group and where the Committee decides that the approval of the Board of Directors of the respective Companies is necessary to approve a Related Party Transaction, such Board approval is obtained prior to entering into the relevant Related Party Transaction.
- When reviewing a transaction, the RPTRC would decide whether the proposed transaction is carried out on an arm's length basis irrespective of whether recurrent or non-recurrent in nature.
- Reviewing and approval would be either by meeting of members (subject to quorum being present) or by circulation.
- In determining whether to obtain the approval of the Board of Directors for a Related Party Transaction, the RPTRC will take into account, among other factors it deems appropriate, whether the proposed RPTs pose a conflict of interest to the Directors.

The self-declarations from the Directors and Key Management Personnel (KMP)

Related Party Transactions Review Committee Report

are obtained for the purpose of identifying parties related to them. Further, the guidelines which senior management must follow in routing Related Party Transactions to the relevant forum, including transaction threshold values and pricing where applicable, have been documented even in the case of once approved recurrent transactions which are of operational nature, which as per the RPT Code need not be repeatedly approved if within the broad thresholds.

The RPTRC in discharging its function has introduced processes and periodic reporting by the relevant entities with a view to ensuring that:

- there is compliance with the Code;
- shareholder interests are protected; and
- fairness and transparency are maintained.

The Committee has a criteria for designating Carsons Group Key Management Personnel (KMP). Further, processes have been introduced to obtain annual disclosures from all KMPs so designated.

The Committee held its First Meeting on 9th March 2016 with all Members in attendance. The Related Party Transactions of the Company as at that date were reviewed by the Members of the RPTRC and the comments and observations of the Committee have been communicated to the Board of Directors of the Company.

(Sgd.)

V.P. Malalasekera

Chairman

Related Party Transactions Review Committee

Carson Cumberbatch PLC

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Independent Auditors' Report



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TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF GOOD HOPE PLC Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements of Good Hope PLC ("the Company"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2016, and the statement of profit or loss, statement of other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. (set out on pages 29 to 70)

Board's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board of Directors ("Board") is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as Board determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion

on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by Board, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at March 31, 2016, and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by section 163 (2) of the Companies Act No. 07 of 2007, we state the following:

- a) The basis of opinion, scope and limitations of the audit are as stated above.
- b) In our opinion:
 - we have obtained all the information and explanations that were required for the audit and, as far as appears from our examination, proper accounting records have been kept by the Company and,
 - the financial statements of the Company, comply with the requirements of section 151 of the Companies Act.

Ernst and Young
Chartered Accountants

27th May 2016

Colombo

Statement of Profit or Loss

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>		2016	2015
	Note	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Continuing operations			
Revenue	3	2,523	2,562
Other Income		263	253
Profit before tax from continuing operations		2,786	2,815
Income tax expense	4	(174)	(71)
Profit for the year from continuing operations		2,612	2,744
Discontinued operations			
Profit after tax for the year from discontinued operations	7	58,834	54,651
Profit for the year		61,446	57,395
Earnings Per Share from Continuing and Discontinued Operations (Rs.)			
	5	8.94	8.35
Earnings Per Share from Continuing Operations (Rs.)	5	0.38	0.40
Earnings Per Share from Discontinued Operations (Rs.)	5	8.56	7.95
Dividend Per Share * (Rs.)	5.1	8.21	3.72

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Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

* Includes only interim dividend paid for the current year whereas, in the comparative period, includes final dividend proposed (as no interim dividend was paid in the previous financial year).

Statement of Comprehensive Income

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>		2016	2015
	Note	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Profit for the Year		61,446	57,395
Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss)			
Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods			
Exchange differences on translation of financial of foreign operations	14	35,360	(170,673)
Gain/(Loss) on change in fair value of Available-for-sale financial assets	11.1	1,106,118	657,637
Net other comprehensive income /(loss) to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods		1,141,478	486,964
Other comprehensive income /(loss) not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods			
Surplus on revaluation of freehold land	9	33,064	-
Actuarial gain/(loss) on defined benefit plan	17	(642)	813
Income tax effect	16	154	(195)
Net other comprehensive income not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods		32,576	618
Other Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the year, Net of Tax		1,174,054	487,582
Total Comprehensive Income/(Loss) for the year, Net of Tax		1,235,500	544,977

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Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

Statement of Financial Position

As at		31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
	Note		
Assets			
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	9	-	1,260,661
Biological assets	10	-	237,586
Other Non-current financial assets	11	5,491,012	4,384,894
Total Non-Current Assets		5,491,012	5,883,141
Current Assets			
Inventories		655	606
Trade and other receivables	12	24,814	17,996
Advance and prepayments		1,168	1,602
Taxation recoverable		-	920
Cash and cash equivalents		249,161	27,883
		275,798	49,007
Assets of disposal group held for sale	7	1,571,245	-
Total Current Assets		1,847,043	49,007
Total Assets		7,338,055	5,932,148
Equity and Liabilities			
Equity			
Stated capital	13	68,713	68,713
Retained earnings		236,914	275,142
Other reserves	14	6,651,954	5,477,412
Total Shareholders' Funds		6,957,581	5,821,267
Non-Current Liabilities			
Deferred tax liability	16	-	57,492
Retirement benefit obligations	17	-	1,883
Total Non-Current Liabilities		-	59,375
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	18	315,379	48,856
Provision and accrued expenses		3,109	2,650
Income Tax Payable		362	-
		318,850	51,506
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	7	61,624	-
Total Current Liabilities		380,474	51,506
Total Equity & Liabilities		7,338,055	5,932,148
Net Assets Per Ordinary Share (Rs.)		1,012.56	847.18

I certify that these Financial Statements are in compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007.

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C.S. Karunasena
Chief Financial Officer

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these Financial Statements. The Accounting Policies and Notes from pages 34 to 70 form an integral part of these Financial Statements. Signed for and on behalf of the Managers, Signed for and on behalf of the Board,

(sgd)

M.R. Jiffrey
Director

Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd.

(sgd)

H. Selvanathan
Chairman

(sgd)

P.C.P. Tissera
Director

27th May 2016
Colombo

Statement of Changes in Equity

	Note	Stated Capital Rs. '000	Capital Accretion Reserve Rs. '000	Currency Translation Reserve Rs. '000	Available-For- Sale Reserve Rs. '000	Retained Profits Rs. '000	Total Equity Rs. '000
Balance as at 1st April 2014		68,713	1,431,511	79	3,558,858	284,262	5,343,423
Profit for the year from continuing operations		-	-	-	-	2,744	2,744
Profit for the year from discontinued operations		-	-	-	-	54,651	54,651
Other comprehensive income/(loss)		-	-	(170,673)	657,637	618	487,582
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		-	-	(170,673)	657,637	58,013	544,977
Final dividend - 2013/14	5.1	-	-	-	-	(67,133)	(67,133)
Balance as at 31st March 2015		68,713	1,431,511	(170,594)	4,216,495	275,142	5,821,267
Balance as at 1st April 2015		68,713	1,431,511	(170,594)	4,216,495	275,142	5,821,267
Super Gain Tax Expense	15	-	-	-	-	(17,211)	(17,211)
Adjusted Balance as at 1st April 2015		68,713	1,431,511	(170,594)	4,216,495	257,931	5,804,056
Profit for the year from continuing operations		-	-	-	-	2,612	2,612
Profit for the year from discontinued operations		-	-	-	-	58,834	58,834
Other comprehensive income/(loss)		-	33,064	35,360	1,106,118	(488)	1,174,054
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		-	33,064	35,360	1,106,118	60,958	1,235,500
First and final dividend - 2014/15	5.1	-	-	-	-	(25,561)	(25,561)
Interim dividend -2015/16	5.1	-	-	-	-	(56,414)	(56,414)
Balance as at 31st March 2016		68,713	1,464,575	(135,234)	5,322,613	236,914	6,957,581

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Nature of the reserves are described in Note 14 to the Financial Statements.

Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

Cash Flow Statement

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>		2016	2015
	Note	Rs.'000	Rs.'000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Profit before tax from Continuing Operations		2,786	2,815
Profit before tax from Discontinuing Operations		71,076	76,605
		73,862	79,420
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation on property, plant and equipment	9	1,712	2,633
Provision for retirement benefit obligation	17	194	266
Interest income	3	(430)	(358)
Net gain / (loss) from change in fair value of biological assets		11,889	(2,245)
Write off of disposal of property, plant and equipment		-	659
Interest expense	24.1	48	-
Exchange differences in currency translation of Malaysian operations		(3,749)	(3,605)
Land compensation received	7.5	(28,647)	-
Operating Profit Before Working Capital Changes		54,879	76,770
(Increase) / Decrease in inventories		(49)	946
(Increase) / Decrease in trade & other receivables		(6,385)	(14,313)
Increase / (Decrease) in trade payables and accruals		6,203	(2,700)
Cash Generated from Operating Activities		54,648	60,703
Tax paid		(8,389)	(12,534)
Super gain tax paid	15	(17,211)	-
Retirement benefits obligations paid	17	(1,160)	(186)
Net Cash Inflows from Operating Activities		27,888	47,983
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	9	-	(4,592)
Development costs of biological assets	10	(14,444)	(126)
Interest income		430	358
Land compensation received	7.5	28,647	-
Land sale advance	7	257,180	-
Net cash inflows/(out flows) from Investing Activities		271,813	(4,360)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities			
Dividend paid		(78,375)	(61,041)
Interest paid	24.1	(48)	-
Net cash used in Financing Activities		(78,423)	(61,041)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		221,278	(17,418)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the Beginning of the Year		27,883	45,301
Cash and Cash Equivalents at the End of the Year (Note A)		249,161	27,883
Note A			
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
Cash and bank balances (Note B)		246,435	26,191
Short-term deposits		2,726	1,692
		249,161	27,883

The Accounting Policies and Notes from pages 34 to 70 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

Note B

Cash and bank balances include cash and bank balances of both continuing and discontinued operations. The above cash and bank balance mainly consist of advance received in respect of conditional sales and purchases agreement signed with a non-related company incorporated in Malaysia to sell the plantation as disclosed in note 7 to the financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. CORPORATE INFORMATION

1.1 General

Good Hope PLC ("Company") is a public quoted company with limited liability, incorporated and domiciled in Sri Lanka. The registered office of the Company is located at No. 61, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 01 and the principal place of business is situated at Ladang Banting, Selangor, Malaysia.

1.2 Principal Activities and Nature of Operations

During the year, the principal activities of the Company were cultivation of oil palm and selling of its Fresh Fruits Bunches and the managing and holding of an investment portfolio.

1.3 Parent Entity and Ultimate Parent Entity

The Company's parent entity is Good Hope Asia Holdings Limited incorporated in Singapore. In the opinion of the directors, the Company's ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party is Bukit Darah PLC which is incorporated in Sri Lanka.

1.4 Date of Authorization for Issue

The Financial Statements of Good Hope PLC for the year ended 31 March 2016 was authorized for issue in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors on 27th May 2016.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1 General Accounting Policies

2.1.1 Statement of Compliance

The Financial Statements of Good Hope PLC comprises the Statement of Financial Position and the statement of profit or loss, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity and Statement of Cash Flows, together with the Accounting Policies and Notes to the Financial Statements.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards laid down by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, and also in compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007.

2.1.2 Basis of Preparation

The Financial Statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards (SLFRS and LKAS) as issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka.

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for the following material items in the statement of Financial Position,

- Biological assets are measured at fair value less cost to sell

- Available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair value
- Land is measured at cost at the time of the acquisition and subsequently land is revalued

The Shareholders of the Company at an Extra Ordinary General meeting (EGM) held on 26th May 2016 approved the sale of the palm oil plantation property owned by the Company in Malaysia. A sale and purchase agreement (SPA) was entered into for the sale of the plantation subject to receiving shareholder and relevant regulatory approvals.

As such, the operations in Malaysia has been re-classified in the financial statements presented herewith as “discontinued operations” in accordance with the requirements of the Sri Lanka Financial Reporting Standards (SLFRS). Hence, profit earned from the palm oil plantation in Malaysia has been identified as profit from discontinued operations and the net earnings from the investments of the Company have been identified as those from “continuing operations” in the Financial Statements.

2.1.3 Comparative Information

The accounting policies have been consistently applied by the Company and, are consistent with those used in the previous year. Previous year’s figures and phrases

have been rearranged whenever necessary to conform to current presentation.

2.2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

2.2.1 Conversion of Foreign Currencies

(a) Presentation Currency

The Financial Statements are presented in Sri Lanka Rupees.

(b) Investment Operations in Sri Lanka

The functional currency of the investment operations in Sri Lanka is Sri Lanka Rupees. Transactions in foreign currencies are initially translated into functional currency using the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies as at the reporting date are translated at the functional currency rate of exchange ruling at that date. The exchange differences arising on translation are taken to Statement of profit or loss.

(c) Operations in Malaysia

The functional currency of the foreign operations in Malaysia is the Malaysian Ringgit. As at the reporting date, the assets and liabilities of the Malaysian Operations are translated into the presentation currency (Sri Lanka Rupees) at the rate of exchange ruling at the reporting date and the items in the statement of profit or loss are translated at the average exchange rate for the

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period. The exchange differences arising on the translation are recognized in other comprehensive income.

2.2.2 Taxation

(a) Current Taxes

The Company's liability to taxation is computed in accordance with the provisions of the Inland Revenue Act, No. 10 of 2006 and the subsequent amendments thereto. Full consideration is given to the tax laws prevailing in the countries of incorporation and operation.

Liability to taxation of the Company is made after claiming relief available in terms of the Double Taxation Agreement entered into between the Governments of Malaysia and Sri Lanka.

(b) Deferred Taxation

Deferred tax is provided on temporary differences at the reporting date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for all temporary differences, except:

- Where the deferred tax liability arises from an asset or liability in a transaction that affects neither the accounting profit nor the taxable profit.

Deferred tax assets are recognized for all deductible differences, carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses, to the extent that

it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and the carry forward of unused tax credits and unused tax losses can be utilized, except:

- Where the deferred tax assets relating to deductible temporary differences arises from the initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction that affects neither the accounting profit nor the taxable profit.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow the deferred tax assets to be utilized. Unrecognized deferred tax assets are re-assessed at each reporting date and are recognized to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will allow the deferred tax assets to be recovered.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the year when the assets are realized or the liabilities are settled, based on tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted at the reporting date.

Current tax and deferred tax relating to items recognized directly in statement of other comprehensive income are also recognized in statement of other comprehensive

income and not in the statement of profit or loss.

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

2.2.3 Events occurring after the Reporting Period

The materiality of the events occurring after the reporting date is considered and appropriate adjustments or disclosures are made in the Financial Statements in accordance with LKAS 10: Events After the Reporting Period.

2.3 Assets and Bases of Their Valuation

Assets classified as current assets in the Statement of Financial Position are cash and those which are expected to be realised in cash during the normal operating cycle of the Company's business or within one year from the reporting date.

Assets other than current assets are those which the Company intends to hold beyond a period of one year from the reporting date.

2.3.1 Property, Plant & Equipment

(1) Valuation

Property, Plant & Equipment are stated at cost or valuation less accumulated depreciation, provided on the basis stated in (3) below.

(2) Cost

Cost of Property, Plant & Equipment is the cost of acquisition or construction together with any expenses incurred in bringing the assets to its working condition for its intended use.

Expenditure incurred for the purpose of acquiring, extending or improving assets of a permanent nature by means of which to carry on the business or to increase the earning capacity of the business has been treated as capital expenditure.

(3) Depreciation

The provision for depreciation is calculated by using a straight line method on the cost or valuation of all Property, Plant & Equipment other than freehold land, in order to write off such amounts over the estimated useful lives.

The principal annual rates used are:

	No. of years
Freehold buildings	20
Plant & machinery	10
Furniture, fittings & office equipment	8-10
Motor vehicles	4

No depreciation is provided on freehold land.

Depreciation of an asset begins when it is available for use whereas depreciation of an asset is ceased at the earlier of the date that the

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asset is classified as held for sale and the date that the asset is derecognized.

The appropriateness of useful lives of the assets and the residual value is assessed annually.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

(4) Plantations

(a) Permanent Land Development Costs

Land development costs incurred in respect of developing the land for cultivation which are permanent in nature, are capitalized as "land cost".

(b) Revaluation of Land

Revaluation of the freehold land in Malaysia is carried out on an existing use (Oil palm plantation) basis annually in order to ensure that the book value reflects the market value. Any surplus or deficit arising therefrom is adjusted through the Capital Accretion Reserve once in every three years, unless there is a significant change in the valuation in which case it is recognized immediately.

2.3.2 Biological Assets

Biological assets represent immature and mature palm oil plantations and are stated at fair value less

costs to sell. Oil palm trees have an average life up to 26 years, with the first 30 to 36 months as immature and the remaining years as mature. As market determined prices or values are not readily available for plantations in its present condition, the Company uses the present value of expected future cash flows (excluding any future cash flows for financing the assets, taxation, or re-establishing plantations after harvest) from the asset, discounted at a current market determined pretax rate in determining fair values.

Gains or losses arising on initial recognition of plantations at fair values less costs to sell and from the change in fair values of plantations at each reporting date are included in the Statement of Profit or Loss for the period in which they arise.

2.3.3 Financial instruments — Initial recognition and subsequent measurement

Financial assets within the scope of LKAS 39 are broadly categorised as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments, available-for-sale financial assets, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate. The Company determines the classification of its financial assets at initial recognition.

All financial assets are recognised initially at fair value plus (in the case of assets not at fair value through

profit or loss) directly attributable transaction costs.

Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within a time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset.

The Company's financial assets include cash and short-term deposits, trade and other receivables, quoted and unquoted financial instruments.

Subsequent measurement

The subsequent measurement of financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

(a) Trade and Other receivables

Trade and other receivables are non derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments. They do not consist assets that are quoted in an active market. Trade and other receivables are initially recognized at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction cost. After initial measurement, such financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method (EIR), less impairment. The losses arising from impairment are recognised in the profit or loss as a part of administration costs.

(b) Available-for-sale financial investments

Available-for-sale financial investments include equity securities. Equity investments classified as available-for-sale are those, which are neither classified as held for trading nor designated at fair value through profit or loss.

After initial measurement, available for-sale financial investments are subsequently measured at fair value with unrealised gains or losses recognised as comprehensive income in the available-for-sale reserve until the investment is derecognised, at which time the cumulative gain or loss is recognised in other operating income, or determined to be impaired, at which time the cumulative loss is reclassified to the Statement of Profit or Loss in finance costs and removed from the available-for-sale reserve.

Fair value of investments in unquoted ordinary shares are determined based on Income Approach that estimates fair value by discounting projected cash flows in a discrete projection period to present value.

The Company evaluates its available for-sale financial assets to determine whether the ability and intention to sell them in the near term is still appropriate. Reclassification to loans and receivables is permitted when the financial assets meet the

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definition of loans and receivables and the Company has the intent and ability to hold these assets for the foreseeable future or until maturity.

Derecognition

A financial asset is derecognised when:

- The rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired
- The Company has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; and either (a) the Company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or (b) the Company has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

When the Company has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, and has neither transferred nor retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset nor transferred control of it, the asset is recognised to the extent of the Company's continuing involvement in it.

Impairment of financial assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset is impaired. A financial asset is deemed to be impaired if, and only if, there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (an incurred 'loss event') and that loss event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset that can be reliably estimated.

Financial assets carried at amortised cost

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

If there is objective evidence that an impairment loss has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the assets carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows (excluding future expected credit losses that have not yet been incurred). The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account and the amount of the loss is recognised in the statement of profit or loss. If, in a subsequent year, the amount of the estimated impairment loss increases or decreases because of an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is increased or reduced by adjusting the allowance account.

(c) Cash & Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are cash in hand, demand deposits and short-term highly liquid investments, readily convertible to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.

For the purpose of Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash in hand and deposits in banks net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Investments in money market instruments with short maturities i.e. three months or less from the date of acquisition are also treated as cash equivalents.

Financial liabilities Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities within the scope of LKAS 39 are classified as financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, loans and borrowings, or as derivatives designated as hedging instruments in an effective hedge, as appropriate. The Company determines the classification of its financial liabilities at initial recognition.

All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of loans and borrowings, carried at amortised cost. This includes directly attributable transaction costs.

The Company's financial liabilities include trade and other payables.

Subsequent measurement

Trade and other payables are measured at amortised cost.

Derecognition

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

2.3.4 Non-current assets held for sale and discontinued operations

Non-current assets and disposal groups are classified as held for sale if their carrying amount will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. This condition is regarded as met only when the asset (or disposal group) is available

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for immediate sale in its present condition subject only to terms that are usual and customary for sales of such asset (or disposal group) and its sale is highly probable. Management must be committed to the sale, which should be expected to qualify for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification.

Non-current assets (and disposal groups) classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell.

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are not depreciated or amortized once classified as held for sale.

Biological assets will continue to be measured at fair value less cost to sell.

Assets and liabilities classified as held for sale are presented separately as current items in the statement of financial position.

A disposal group qualifies as discontinued operation if it is a component of an entity that either has been disposed of, or is classified as held for sale, and:

- Represents a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations and
- Is part of a single co-ordinated plan to dispose of a separate

major line of business or geographical area of operations

Discontinued operations are excluded from the results of continuing operations and are presented as a single amount as profit or loss after tax from discontinued operations in the statement of profit or loss.

2.3.5 Inventories

Inventories except for fresh fruit bunches are stated at cost or net realizable value whichever is lower, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. Fresh fruit bunches are stated at since realised values.

The value of consumables is determined on a weighted average cost basis.

2.3.6 Impairment of Non-Financial Assets

The Company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a non-financial asset or a group of non-financial assets is impaired. If any such indication exists, or when annual impairment testing for an asset is required, the Company makes an estimate of the group of non-financial asset's recoverable amount.

An asset's recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's or cash generating unit's fair value less costs to sell or its value in use and is determined for an individual asset, unless the asset does not generate

cash inflows that are largely independent of those from other assets or group of non-financial assets. Where the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, the asset is considered impaired and is written down to its recoverable amount.

2.4 Liabilities and Provisions

Liabilities classified as current liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position are those obligations payable on demand or within one year from the reporting date. Items classified as non-current liabilities are those obligations which become payable beyond a period of one year from the reporting date.

All known liabilities have been accounted for in preparing these Financial Statements. Provisions and liabilities are recognised when the Company has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation.

2.4.1 Retirement Benefit Obligations

(a) Defined Benefit Plans - Retirement Gratuity

Gratuity is a defined benefit plan. The Company is liable to pay gratuity in terms of relevant statute.

The Company's operations in Malaysia are liable to pay Retirement Gratuity where employees have served in the Company's operations in Malaysia for more than five years and fulfilling the conditions in the Malaysian Agricultural Producers Association and National Union Plantation Worker's agreements.

The Company measures the present value of the promised retirement benefits of gratuity which is a defined benefit plan with the advice of an actuary every year using "Projected Unit Credit Method". An actuarial valuation of the gratuity liability of the Company as at 31 March 2016 was undertaken by Actuarial and Management Consultants (Pvt) Ltd, a firm of professional actuaries. The result of such valuation was incorporated in these Financial Statements.

The define benefit costs comprise the following:

- Service cost
- Interest cost on the define benefit liability
- Re-measurement of define benefit liability

Service costs which include current service costs, past service costs and gains or losses on non-routine settlements are recognised as expense in profit or loss. Past service costs are recognised when plan amendment or curtailment occurs.

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Interest on the defined benefit liability is the change during the period in the defined benefit liability that arises from the passage of time which is determined by applying the discount rate based on the yield on long term government bonds to the defined benefit liability. The interest on the defined benefit liability is recognised as expense or income in profit or loss.

Re-measurements comprising actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in other comprehensive income in the period in which they arise. Re-measurements are recognised in retained earnings within equity and are not reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods.

Further, this liability is not externally funded.

(b) Defined Contribution Plans - EPF

All employees who are eligible for Defined Provident Fund contributions in Malaysia are covered by relevant contribution funds in line with the relevant statutes.

Employer's contribution to Defined Provident Fund covering the employees is recognised as an expense in the Statement of Profit or Loss in the period in which it is incurred.

2.4.2 Capital Commitments and Contingencies

All material capital commitments and contingent liabilities which exist as at the reporting date are disclosed in the respective notes to the Financial Statements.

2.5 Statement of Profit or Loss

2.5.1 Revenue

Revenue represents proceeds from sale of fresh fruit bunches from Malaysian operations and investment income from Sri Lankan operations.

2.5.2 Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the revenue and associated costs incurred or to be incurred can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable net of trade discounts and sales taxes. The following specific criteria are used for the purpose of recognition of revenue:

Sale of fresh fruit bunches - upon delivery and acceptance by customers.

Dividend income - when the shareholders' right to receive dividend is established.

Interest income - accrued on a time proportionate basis.

Other income - on an accrual basis.

2.5.3 Expenditure Recognition

The expenses are recognized on an accrual basis. All expenditure incurred in the ordinary course of business and in maintaining the Property, Plant & Equipment in a state of efficiency has been charged to income in arriving at the profit for the year.

For the purpose of presentation of the Statement of Profit or Loss, the Directors are of the opinion that “function of expenses” method presents fairly the elements of the Company’s performance, and hence such presentation method is adopted.

2.6 Segment Reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Company that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses that relate to transactions with any of the Company’s other components. All operating segments’ operating results are reviewed regularly by the senior management to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available.

Segment results that are reported to the senior management and board of directors include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

Segment capital expenditure is the total cost incurred during the period to acquire property, plant and equipment and on development cost of biological assets.

2.7 Related Party Disclosures

Disclosures are made in respect of related party transactions in accordance with LKAS 24.

2.8 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The preparation of Financial Statements in conformity with Sri Lanka Accounting Standards requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgments about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

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Estimates/Judgments made by management in the application of Sri Lanka Accounting Standards that have a significant effect on the Financial Statements are mentioned below.

	Policy	Note
Property, plant & equipment valuation and depreciation	2.3.1	9
Deferred tax	2.2.2(b)	16
Impairment of assets	2.3.3 / 2.3.6	9
Employee benefit liabilities	2.4.1	17
Financial instruments	2.3.3	11/12/18
Biological assets valuation	2.3.2	10

2.9. Current Versus Non-Current Classification

The Company presents assets and liabilities in statement of financial position based on current/non-current classification. An asset as current when it is:

- Expected to be realised or intended to sold or consumed in normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be realised within twelve months after the reporting period Or

- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is current when:

- it is expected to be settled in normal operating cycle
- It is held primarily for the purpose of trading
- It is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period Or
- There is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period

The Company classifies all other liabilities as non-current.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are classified as non-current assets and liabilities.

2.10. Fair Value Measurement

The Company measures financial instruments such as investment in equity instruments, and non-financial assets such as biological assets, land, at fair value at each reporting date. Fair value related disclosures for financial instruments and non-financial assets that are measured at fair value or where fair values are disclosed are summarised in the following notes:

	Note
Disclosures for valuation methods, significant estimates and assumptions	8/9/10/11
Quantitative disclosures of fair value measurement hierarchy	8/11.3
Investment in unquoted equity shares	8/11
Property, plant and equipment under revaluation model	9
Financial instruments	11.2

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the Company.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a nonfinancial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use.

The Company uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1 — Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 — Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3 — Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the Financial Statements on a recurring

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basis, the Company determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period.

External valuers are involved for valuation of significant assets, such as Biological Assets, Freehold Land and unquoted Investments. Involvement of external valuers is decided upon annually by the Management after discussion with and approval by the Company's Audit Committee. Selection criteria include market knowledge, reputation, independence and whether professional standards are maintained. The Management decides, after discussions with the Company's external valuers, which valuation techniques and inputs to use for each case.

At each reporting date, the Management analyses the movements in the values of assets and liabilities which are required to be remeasured or reassessed as per the Company's accounting policies. For this analysis, the Management verifies the major inputs applied in the latest valuation by agreeing the information in the valuation computation to contracts and other relevant documents.

The Management, in conjunction with the Company's external valuers, also compares the change in the fair value of each asset and liability with relevant external sources to determine whether the change is reasonable.

The Management presents the valuation results to the Audit Committee and the Company's independent auditors. This includes a discussion of the major assumptions used in the valuations.

For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the Company has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy as explained above.

2.11 Standards Issued But Not Yet Effective

The standards and amendments and interpretations that are issued but not yet effective up to the date of issuance of the Company's Financial Statements are disclosed below. The Company intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective.

(a) SLFRS 9 -Financial Instruments: Classification and Measurement

SLFRS 09 establish principles for the financial reporting of financial assets and financial liabilities that

will present relevant and useful information to users for assessment of amount, timing and uncertainty of entity's future cash flows.

This standard is effective for annual periods beginning on or after 01 January 2018.

(b) SLFRS 15 -Revenue from Contracts with Customers

SLFRS 15 establishes a comprehensive framework for determining whether, how much and when revenue is recognised. It replaces existing revenue recognition guidance, including LKAS 18 Revenue, LKAS 11 Construction Contracts and IFRIC 13 Customer Loyalty Programmes. This standard is effective for the annual periods beginning on or after 01 January 2018.

(c) Amendments to LKAS 16-Property,Plant and Equipment and LKAS 41-Agriculture

The amendments change the accounting requirements for biological assets that meet the definition of bearer plants. Under the amendments, biological assets that meet the definition of bearer plants will no longer be within the scope of LKAS 41. Instead, LKAS 16 will apply. After initial recognition, bearer plants will be measured under LKAS 16 at accumulated cost (before maturity) and using either the cost model or revaluation model (after maturity). The amendments also require that produce that grows on bearer plants will remain in the scope of LKAS 41 measured at fair value less costs to sell. This amendment is retrospectively effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2016, with early adoption permitted.

Pending the detailed review on the above standards and interpretations, the extent of the impact has not been determined by the Management.

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<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
3. REVENUE		
Investment income:		
Dividend income	2,093	2,204
Interest income	430	358
	2,523	2,562

4. TAXATION

4.1 Major components of income tax expense

The major components of income tax expense for the financial year ended 31st March 2016 and 2015 are:

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Statement of profit or loss		
Current Income Tax		
Current year income tax expense	174	71
Income tax expense recognized in the statement of profit or loss	174	71
Other Comprehensive Income		
Deferred tax on actuarial gains and losses (Note 16)	154	195
Income tax charged directly to other comprehensive income	154	195

4.2 Relationship between tax expense and accounting profit

The reconciliation between tax expense and the product of accounting profit multiplied by the applicable corporate tax rate for the year ended 31 March 2016 and 31 March 2015 are as follows:

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Profit before tax	2,786	2,815
Tax at the domestic rates	785	799
Adjustments:		
Notional tax credit	(17)	(40)
Income not subject to tax	(594)	(688)
Income tax expense recognised in profit or loss	174	71

4.3 Taxation of Profits

- (a) In terms of Section 9 & 10 of the Inland Revenue Act No. 10 of 2006, and amendments thereto, dividend and interest income received from Malaysia is exempt from income tax.
- (b) Profits of the Company, other than such referred to in Note 4.3 (a) above are liable to tax at a rate of 28% (2015 - 28%).

4.4 Dividend Tax

Dividend distribution would consist of a distribution of operational profits and a redistribution of dividend income. Redistribution of dividend income received from already taxed source would not be liable to dividend tax.

5. EARNINGS PER SHARE

(a) Earnings Per Share from Continuing Operations

The calculation of earning per ordinary share from continuing operations of Rs. 0.38/- (2015 - Rs. 0.40/-) is based on the profit after taxation over the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

Given below is the computation of Earning Per Share :

For the year ended 31 March	2016	2015
Numerator		
Profit for the year (Rs.)	61,446,317	57,395,145
Profit for the year from discontinued operations (Rs.)	(58,834,000)	(54,651,000)
Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders (Rs.)	2,612,317	2,744,145
Denominator		
Number of ordinary shares (Note 14)	6,871,307	6,871,307
Earnings Per Share (Rs.)	0.38	0.40

(b) Earnings Per Share from Discontinued Operations

The calculation of earning per ordinary share from discontinued operations of Rs. 8.56/- (2015 - Rs. 7.95/-) is based on the profit after taxation over the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

For the year ended 31 March	2016	2015
Numerator		
Profit for the year from discontinued operations (Rs.)	58,834,000	54,651,000
Earnings Per Share (Rs.)	8.56	7.95

(c) Earnings Per Share from Continuing and Discontinued Operations

The calculation of Earnings Per Share from Continuing and Discontinuing Operations of Rs. 8.94/- (2015 - Rs. 8.35/-) is based on the profit after taxation over the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

For the year ended 31 March	2016	2015
Numerator		
Profit for the year from continuing and discontinued operations (Rs.)	61,446,317	57,395,145
Earnings Per Share (Rs.)	8.94	8.35

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<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
5.1 Dividend paid or proposed		
<u>Dividend paid during the year:</u>		
Dividends on ordinary shares:		
Interim Dividend for 2016: Rs.8.21 per share (2015 :Rs. Nil per Share)	56,413	-
Final Dividend for 2015: Rs.3.72 per share (2014: Rs.9.77 per share)	25,561	67,133
<u>Dividend proposed for approval at AGM</u>		
<u>(Not recognised as a liability as at 31 March)</u>		
2016: Rs. Nil per share (2015: 3.72 per share)	-	25,561

	2016	2015
Dividend per share (Rs.)*	8.21	3.72

*Dividend per share is calculated by considering interim dividend paid for the year under review, whereas in the comparative period considering final dividend proposed (as no interim dividend was paid in the previous financial year).

6. FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSLATION

The Accounting Policy on foreign currency translation is shown under 2.2.1 of summary of significant accounting policies. The principal exchange rates used for conversion of foreign currency balances are as follows:

<i>As at</i>	31st March	31st March
	2016	2015
	Rs.	Rs.
Malaysian Ringgit	36.74	35.80
US Dollar	144.69	133.32

7. NON-CURRENT ASSETS HELD FOR SALE AND DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

- a) Further to the market disclosure dated 01st December 2015 in which the Company gave notice of an action plan that included, if feasible, the sale of the plantation in Malaysia. A non-related company incorporated in Malaysia expressed interest in purchasing the Overseas Plantation assets of the company (consisting of the Property Plant and Equipment and the Biological Assets) and submitted an offer of Rs. 6,429.50 mn (RM 175 mn). The Board of Directors after careful evaluation and consideration have executed a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) with the buyer to sell the Plantation for Rs. 6,429.50 mn (RM 175 mn) which is subject to conditions such as;
- i) receipt of shareholder approval
 - ii) relevant approval from the regularity bodies in Malaysia, and
 - iii) approval from the Central Bank Of Sri Lanka within stipulated time lines.

As at 31st March 2016 an advance of Rs. 258.18 Mn (RM 7Mn) was received and further an advance of Rs. 514.36 Mn (RM 14Mn) was received in April 2016 from the buyer.

Shareholder approval for the sale of the plantation property of the company (above i) was obtained at the Extra Ordinary General Meeting held on 26th May 2016.

Non-current assets of the Company and disposal groups were classified as held for sale as the management intends to recover the carrying amount principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. The company's plantation property in Malaysia (disposal group) is available for immediate sale in its present condition. After careful evaluation, the Board of Directors consider that the sale of the above property is highly probable and the management is committed to the sale, which is expected to be qualified for recognition as a completed sale within one year from the date of classification as "held for sale".

Accordingly, net book value of Property, Plant & Equipment and Biological Assets amounting to Rs. 1,324.80 mn and Rs. 246.44 mn, respectively have been reclassified and reported as "asset held for sale". Further, the related liabilities of the plantation property of the Company are also reclassified as "liabilities associated with asset held for sale" under current liabilities.

No impairment loss has been recognised on reclassification of the asset as at 31 March 2016 as the asset fair value less costs to sell is higher than the carrying value of above property, plant and equipment.

Further, these assets held for sale are presented within the total assets of oil palm plantation segment in Note 19 to the financial statements.

The details of calculation of profit from discontinued operations and the information relating to assets and liabilities of the disposal group that were classified as held for sale as at 31 March 2016 are stated below;

7.1. Profit for the year from discontinued operations

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Revenue	127,262	153,375
Other income and gains (Note 7.5)	28,648	-
	155,910	153,375
Direct operating costs	(42,921)	(47,499)
Gain arising from change in fair value of Biological Assets (Note 10)	(11,889)	2,245
Administrative expenses	(29,976)	(31,516)
Finance Expense	(48)	-
Profit before tax from discontinued operations	71,076	76,605
Income tax expense	(12,242)	(21,954)
Profit for the year from discontinued operations	58,834	54,651
Earnings Per Share from Discontinued Operations (Rs.)	8.56	7.95

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7.2 Taxation of Profits - discontinued operations

- (a) The provision for taxation on profits from plantation activities is based on the Company's liability to income tax in Malaysia. Profits from plantation activities are liable to tax in Malaysia at a rate of 24% (2015 - 25%).
- (b) During the year ended 31 March 2015, as provided for under Section 46 of the Inland Revenue Act No. 10 of 2006 and amendments thereto, these profits are liable to tax in Sri Lanka at 12% (2015 - 12%).
- (c) In terms of the double tax treaty agreement entered into between Sri Lanka and Malaysia, the Company is entitled to claim credit for tax paid in Malaysia, when calculating the Company's tax liability in Sri Lanka on profits from plantation in Malaysia.
- (d) Profits of the Company, other than such referred to in Note 7.2 (b) are liable to tax at a rate of 28% (2015 - 28%).

7.3 The net cash flows from discontinued operations

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Net Cash Inflows from Operating Activities	25,706	45,598
Net Cash Inflows / (Outflows) from Investing Activities	271,383	(4,718)
Net Cash Outflows from Financing Activities	(48)	-
Net Cash Inflows	297,041	40,880

7.4. The major classes of assets and liabilities of Oil Palm Plantation Segment classified as held for sale as at 31 March are, as follows:

<i>As at</i>	31st March	31st March
	2016	2015
	Rs.	Rs.
Assets		
Property, plant and equipment (Note 9)	1,324,802	-
Biological Assets (Note 10)	246,443	-
Assets of disposal group held for sale	1,571,245	-
Liabilities		
Deferred tax liability (Note 16)	(60,084)	-
Retirement benefit obligations (Note 17)	(1,540)	-
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	(61,624)	-
Net assets directly associated with disposal group	1,509,621	-

The capital accretion reserve and the related foreign currency translation reserve of the discontinued operation will be transferred to retained earnings and statement of profit or loss respectively at the time of de-recognition of assets and liabilities of the disposal group.

7.5 Other income and gains

Other income includes Rs 28.65 mn received by the Company during the year under review, on account of late payment charges based on a claim made by the Company as more fully explained below.

As has been disclosed and reported in the Annual Report of previous years, Good Hope PLC ("Company") filed a claim in the Shah Alam High Court against the State Governor of Selangor ("Defendant") to recover the outstanding Late Payment Charges amounting to RM1,309,080.46 (approx. Rs. 53 mn) with respect to an acquisition of 24.5 acres of the Company's land during the financial year 2002/03, The High Court Judge allowed the claim of the Company for late payment charges of RM1,309,080.46 with interest thereon at 4 % per annum and costs of RM8,000 (approx Rs. 0.3 mn).

The Defendant filed an appeal against the decision of the High Court and on hearing of the appeal proper, the Court of Appeal on 15th April 2014, dismissed the appeal filed by the Defendant with costs of RM 10,000 and affirmed the Order of the High Court.

The Defendant aggrieved by the decision of the Court of Appeal, thereafter on 15th May 2014 filed an application for leave to appeal in the Federal Court of Malaysia, against the decision of the Court of Appeal. On 27th May 2015, the Federal Court entered settlement Order for the Defendant to pay a sum of RM 800,000 (Rs.29.39 mn) to the Company on or before 26 June 2015 as full and final settlement of the Order of the High Court. Accordingly, the Defendants made the said payment of RM 800,000/- to the Company on 18 June 2015. This matter is now concluded.

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FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

The following table provides the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Company's assets which are stated at fair value.

Fair value measurement hierarchy for assets as at 31 March 2016 and 2015:

	Date of valuation	Fair value measurement using					
		Total Rs. '000	Quoted prices in active markets		Significant observable inputs		Significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) Rs. '000
			(Level 1) Rs. '000	(Level 2) Rs. '000	(Level 2) Rs. '000	(Level 3) Rs. '000	
Assets measured at fair value:							
As at 31 March 2016							
Non Financial Assets							
Land (Note 9)	March 2016	1,307,848	-	-	-	-	1,307,848
Biological Assets (Note 10)	March 2016	246,443	-	-	-	-	246,443
Non Financial Assets as at 31 March 2016		1,554,291	-	-	-	-	1,554,291
AFS financial assets							
Quoted equity shares							
Shalimar (Malay) PLC (Note.11.1.b)	31 March 2016	489,434	489,434	-	-	-	-
Unquoted equity shares							
Shalimar Developments Sdn.Bhd (Note.11.1.a)	December 2015	5,001,578	-	-	-	-	5,001,578
AFS financial assets as at 31 March 2016		5,491,012	489,434	-	-	-	5,001,578
As at 31 March 2015							
Non-Financial Assets							
Land (Note 9)	March 2013	1,242,357	-	-	-	-	1,242,357
Biological Assets (Note 10)	March 2015	237,586	-	-	-	-	237,586
Non-Financial Assets as at 31 March 2015		1,479,943	-	-	-	-	1,479,943
AFS financial assets							
Quoted equity shares							
Shalimar (Malay) PLC (Note.11.1.b)	31 March 2015	462,543	462,543	-	-	-	-
Unquoted equity shares							
Shalimar Developments Sdn.Bhd (Note 11.1.a)	March 2015	3,922,351	-	-	-	-	3,922,351
AFS financial assets as at 31 March 2015		4,384,894	462,543	-	-	-	3,922,351

Key assumptions, methods of valuations and significant unobservable inputs for assets categorised under Level 3 of the fair value measurement hierarchy are disclosed under Notes 9, 10 and 11 to the Financial Statements.

9. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT
9.1 Movement of Property, Plant & Equipment

	Freehold Land Rs. '000	Freehold Buildings Rs. '000	Plant & Machinery Rs. '000	Furniture, Fittings & Equipment Rs. '000	Motor Vehicles Rs. '000	Total Rs. '000
Cost/Valuation						
As at 1st April 2015	1,242,357	22,194	1,565	3,791	11,712	1,281,619
Surplus on revaluation on freehold land	33,064	-	-	-	-	33,064
Translation adjustment for the year	32,427	579	41	98	306	33,451
Reclassified as assets held for sale (Note 7)	(1,307,848)	(22,773)	(1,606)	(3,889)	(12,018)	(1,348,134)
As at 31st March 2016	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation						
As at 1st April 2015	-	7,013	1,361	3,566	9,018	20,958
Charge for the year	-	973	43	33	663	1,712
Translation adjustment for the year	-	250	39	95	278	662
Reclassified as assets held for sale (Note 7)	-	(8,236)	(1,443)	(3,694)	(9,959)	(23,332)
As at 31st March 2016	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Book Value						
As at 31st March 2016	1,242,357	15,181	204	225	2,694	1,260,661
As at 31st March 2015	-	-	-	-	-	-

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9. PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (Contd.)

9.1. Movement of Property, Plant & Equipment

- (i) Total Net Book Value of Property Plant & Equipment as at 31st March 2016 amounting to Rs.1,324.80 mn has been reclassified and reported as held for sale as explained in Note 7.
- (ii) The company consequent to the market disclosure dated 1st December 2015, obtained the following valuations of the property by engaging independent professional valuers to ascertain the realisable value from the sale of the property.
 - (a) Savills (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. of RM 157 mn (Rs.5,768.18 mn).
 - (b) Jones Lang Wootton (Proprietor: Singham Sulaiman Sdn Bhd) of RM 170 mn (Rs.6,245.80 mn).
 - (c) W. M. Malik & Kamaruzaman of RM 95.63 mn (Rs. 3,513.26 mn).

As explained in note 7, the Company has executed a conditional Sale and Purchase Agreement (SPA) with a non-related company incorporated in Malaysia to sell the overseas plantation assets of the Company (consisting of the Property Plant and Equipment and the Biological Assets) for Rs. 6,429.50 mn (RM 175 mn). Accordingly, the above values will be incorporated into financial statements upon actual realization of the sale of the property.

The Company continues to recognize the fair value based on existing use basis (oil palm plantation) for the Financial Statements consistent with that of the previous year as disclosed in the Accounting Policy 2.3. 1.4 (b). Accordingly the freehold land was revalued in March 2016 based on existing use (oil palm plantation) basis, by an independent professional valuer W. M. Malik, a member of the Institution of Surveyors, Malaysia, a partner with W. M. Malik & Kamaruzaman. Revaluation gain over the carrying value of the freehold land has been credited to the capital accretion reserve and included under other reserves.

Valuation Technique

Existing use (Oil palm plantation) basis

Significant unobservable valuation inputs

Indicative market value of comparable land

Significant increases (decreases) in indicative market value per hectare of comparable land would result in a significantly higher (lower) fair value measurement.

- (iii) The carrying value of the freehold land, if the asset was carried at historical cost would be Rs. 58 Mn (2015- Rs. 58Mn)
- (iv) Property, plant & equipment includes fully depreciated assets having a gross carrying amount of Rs.15.80 Mn (2015 - Rs 12.05Mn)
- (v) All property, plant & equipment are located in Malaysia.
- (vi) During the financial year, the Company has not purchased any property, plant and equipment (2015: Rs.4.59Mn).

10. BIOLOGICAL ASSETS

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
Carrying value at the beginning of the year	237,586	262,900
Plantation development costs	14,444	126
Gain/(Loss) arising from changes in fair value	(11,889)	2,245
	240,141	265,271
Currency translation differences	6,302	(27,685)
Reclassified as assets held for sale (Note 7)	(246,443)	-
Carrying value at the end of the year	-	237,586

Biological assets represent mature and immature palms in the Company's Malaysian plantation. As market determined prices or values are not readily available for plantations in its present condition, the company uses present value of expected future cash flows from the asset of the plantation, discounted at current market determined pre-tax rate in establishing the fair value.

Gains or losses arising on initial recognition of plantations at fair value less costs to sell and from the changes in fair values less costs to sell of plantations at each reporting date are included in the profit or loss for the respective period. The deferred tax impact on recognition of biological assets has been charged to the statement of profit or loss.

Total carrying value of biological assets as at 31st March 2016 has been reclassified and reported as assets held for sale as explained in note 7.

Analysis of biological assets are as follows:

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
Plantation Values		
Mature plantation	216,363	237,586
Immature plantation	30,080	-
	246,443	237,586
	Ha	Ha
Plantation Area		
Mature plantation	273.22	313.44
Immature plantation	40.22	-
	313.44	313.44

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- 10.1** The Company obtains the services of an independent professional valuer to establish the fair value of the biological assets. Accordingly, the biological assets of the Company have been valued in March 2016 and 2015 by KJPP Rengganis, Hamid & Partners of Indonesia. These valuations of the biological assets was performed in accordance with international valuations standards, using the following key assumptions:
- Projected economic production life of palm oil plants is 22 years (2015: 22 years) after maturity.
 - Malaysian discount rate per annum of 8.71% in 2016 (2015: 8.58%).
 - This valuation is based on market FFB Price. FFB price for the first year is estimated at RM 479 per MT. FFB price is projected to increase for second year at RM 494 per MT. The third year is estimated at RM 511 per MT. The fourth & fifth years are estimated at RM 527 per MT. The remaining years are also estimated at RM 545 per MT.
 - Yield per hectare of 5 MT to 32 MT (2015: 12 MT to 29 MT)
Yield per hectare is based on year of planting, maturity profile and the terrain of the plantation.

10.2 Sensitivity of the key assumptions used

	FFB Price		Discount Rate		Yield	
	1% Increase	1% Decrease	0.1% Increase	0.1% Decrease	1% Increase	1% Decrease
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Effect on the carrying value of biological assets - 2016	8,817	(8,854)	(4,923)	4,996	7,825	(7,862)

11 FINANCIAL ASSETS AND FINANCIAL LIABILITIES

11.1 Non-Current Financial Assets

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
Available-for-sale investments		
Unquoted equity shares (11.1.a)	5,001,578	3,922,351
Quoted equity shares (11.1.b)	489,434	462,543
Total available-for-sale investments	5,491,012	4,384,894
Total financial assets: Non-Current	5,491,012	4,384,894

11.1.a Available-for-Sale Investment - Unquoted Equity Shares

The Company holds a 13.33% equity investment (2015: 13.33%) in Shalimar Development Sdn. Bhd (SDSB), an investment holding company incorporated in Malaysia. The sole equity investment of SDSB is in PT Agro Indomas (PTAI), an oil palm plantation company based in Indonesia, in which it has a controlling interest. The Company has designated its investment in SDSB as an available-for-sale investment and is measured at fair value, the basis of which is detailed in 11.2 below.

11.1.b Available-for-Sale Investment - Quoted Equity Shares

The Company holds a non-controlling interests of 3.10% (2015: 3.10%) in Sharlimar (Malay) PLC. The fair value of the said investment is determined by reference to published price quotations in the Colombo Stock Exchange.

11.2 Fair Values

Set out below is a comparison by class of the carrying amounts and fair values of the Company's financial Instruments that are carried in the financial statements.

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
	Carrying amount		Fair value	
Financial Assets				
Available for sale Financial Investments	5,491,012	4,384,894	5,491,012	4,384,894

The Company obtained the services of PricewaterhouseCoopers Capital Sdn. Bhd, Malaysia (PWC) to carry out an independent indicative fair market valuation of the equity interest in the unquoted investment in SDSB as at valuation date of 31st December 2015. The primary approach adopted was the Income Approach using discounted cash flows method. Accordingly, the unquoted investment in SDSB of the Company has been valued based on the following key assumptions/bases:

- (a) Estimated economic life of PTAI's oil palm plantations is 26 years (including the Immature period).
- (b) Considered one planting cycle (i.e. no replanting at the end of the economic life) and the residual value of land.
- (c) CPO ex-mill prices are projected at USD 450/MT in 2015/16 and stabilize at USD 650/MT.
- (d) Yield per hectare based on year of planting, maturity profile and terrain.
- (e) Weighted average cost of capital (WACC) range of 12% to 13%. p.a.
- (f) Indonesian Corporate Taxation rate of 25%. p.a.
- (g) Inflation assumed at approximately 5% to 6% p.a.

The Management assessed that the fair value of cash and short-term deposits, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short-term maturities of these instruments.

11.3 Sensitivity of the key assumptions used

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement categorised within Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy (Note 8) together with a quantitative sensitivity analysis as at 31 March 2016 are as shown below:

The below values are based on 13.33% equity stake in SDSB and base case is at WACC of 13% p.a.

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	WACC		CPO ex – mill price		Yield	
	1% Increase	1% Decrease	5% Increase	5% Decrease	5% Increase	5% Decrease
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000

Effect of Fair Value of unquoted equity shares in SDSB designated as Asset Available for Sale	(104,632)	114,300	301,957	(301,225)	199,193	(198,461)
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12. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

<i>As at</i>		31st March 2016	31st March 2015
		Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Trade debtors		7,579	17,996
Amount due from related party	Relationship		
Indo-Malay PLC	Fellow Subsidiary	15,932	-
Sellinsing PLC	Fellow Subsidiary	1,303	-
		24,814	17,996

As at 31 March, the ageing analysis of trade receivables is as follows:

	Total	Neither past due nor impaired	Past due but not impaired			
			<30 days	30 -60 days	61 - 90 days	> 90 days
			Rs.'000	Rs.'000	Rs.'000	Rs.'000
At 31 March 2015	7,579	7,579	-	-	-	-
At 31 March 2016	17,996	17,996	-	-	-	-

13. STATED CAPITAL

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016	31st March 2015
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Issued and Fully Paid - Ordinary		
6,871,307 Ordinary Shares	68,713	68,713
	68,713	68,713

14. OTHER RESERVES

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
Currency translation reserve	(135,234)	(170,594)
Available-for-sale reserve	5,322,613	4,216,495
Capital accretion reserve	1,464,575	1,431,511
End of the year	6,651,954	5,477,412

Currency translation reserve

Currency translation reserves represents exchange differences arising from the translation of the Financial Statements of foreign operations whose functional currencies are different from that of the Company's presentation currency.

Available for - sale reserve

Available-for-sale reserve represents the excess between the fair value and cost of available-for-sale financial assets.

Capital accretion reserve

Capital accretion reserve includes surplus arising from revaluation of property, plant and equipment.

The movements of the above reserves are given in the Statement of other comprehensive income.

15. SUPER GAIN TAX

As per the provisions of Part III of the Finance Act, No. 10 of 2015 which was certified on 30th October 2015, the Company was liable for Super Gain tax of Rs.17.21 Million which was fully settled during the year.

According to the Act, the super gain tax shall be deemed to be an expenditure in the financial statements relating to the year of assessment which commenced on 1st April 2013. The Act supersedes the requirements of the Sri Lanka Accounting Standards, hence the expense of Super gain tax is accounted in accordance with the requirements of the said Act as recommended by the Statement of Alternative Treatment (SoAT) on "Accounting for Super Gain Tax" issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, dated 24th November 2015.

Accordingly, the resulting Super Gain Tax was recorded as an adjustment to the Opening Retained Earnings reported in the Statement of Changes in Equity as of 01st April 2015. As per the Accounting Provisions of SoAT, the said adjustment did not result in a restatement to the Statement of Financial Position as of 01st April 2015.

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16. DEFERRED INCOME TAX

	Statement of Financial Position	
	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
Deferred Tax Liability		
Deferred tax on property, plant & equipment	1,039	804
Deferred tax on biological assets	65,855	66,537
	66,894	67,341
Deferred Tax Assets		
Defined benefit plans - Through Statement of Profit or Loss	(216)	(647)
Defined Benefit Plans - Through Other Comprehensive Income	(154)	195
Provision for ex-gratia	-	(11)
	(370)	(463)
Effect of exchange rate movement	(6,440)	(9,386)
	60,084	57,492
Deferred tax expense Reclassified as Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale (Note 7)	(60,084)	-
Net deferred tax liability	-	57,492

The net deferred tax liability as at 31st March 2016 has been reclassified and reported as Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale as explained in note 7.

17. RETIREMENT BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

<i>As at</i>	31st March 2016 Rs. '000	31st March 2015 Rs. '000
Retirement Benefits Obligation-Gratuity		
Beginning of the year	1,883	2,930
Charge for the year	194	266
Actuarial (gain)/loss - Recognized in Other Comprehensive Income	642	(813)
Payments made during the year	(1,160)	(186)
Exchange Loss	(19)	(314)
Reclassified as Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale (Note 7)	(1,540)	-
End of the year	-	1,883

Retirement Benefits Obligation liability as at 31st March 2016 has been reclassified and reported as Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale as explained in note 7.

Messrs. Actuarial & Management Consultants (Pvt) Ltd. Independent Actuaries, carried out an actuarial valuation of the defined benefit plan gratuity on March 31, 2016. Appropriate and compatible assumptions were used in determining the cost of retirement benefits. The principal assumptions used are as follows:

	2016	2015
Discount Rate	4%	4%
Salary Increase Rate	3%	3%
Withdrawal Rate	10%	10%

17.1 Charge for the year

	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000
Interest Cost	72	162
Current Service Cost	122	104
	194	266

17.2 Sensitivity of the principal assumptions used

	Expected Future Salaries		Discount Rate	
	1% increase	1% decrease	1% increase	1% decrease
	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000	Rs. '000
Change in Present value of Defined Benefit Obligation	39	(45)	(43)	41

17.3 The average future working life of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period is 8 years.

18. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

As at	31st March 2016 Rs.'000	31st March 2015 Rs.'000
Trade and other creditors	8,428	3,850
Unclaimed dividend	48,606	45,006
GST Payable	1,165	-
Land sale advance (Note 7 (a))	257,180	-
	315,379	48,856

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19. SEGMENTAL REPORTING

For management purpose, the company is organised into the following two business segments.

As explained in note 7, the Oil Palm Plantation Segment has been reclassified and reported under discontinued operations and accordingly the related assets and liabilities have been reclassified as “asset held for sale” and “liabilities associated with asset held for sale”, respectively.

(A) Industry

	Oil Palm Plantation		Investment		Company	
	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000
Revenue						
External revenue	127,262	153,375	2,523	2,562	129,785	155,937
	127,262	153,375	2,523	2,562	129,785	155,937
Result						
Segment result	71,076	76,605	2,786	2,815	73,862	79,420
Taxation	(12,242)	(21,954)	(174)	(71)	(12,416)	(22,025)
Profit for the year	58,834	54,651	2,612	2,744	61,446	57,395
Other Information						
Segment assets	1,836,658	1,535,910	5,501,397	4,396,238	7,338,055	5,932,148
Segment liabilities	330,590	64,575	49,884	46,306	380,474	110,881
Capital expenditure*	14,444	4,718	-	-	14,444	4,718
Depreciation	1,712	2,633	-	-	1,712	2,633
Retirement benefits charge	194	266	-	-	194	266

* Includes expenditure incurred on Property, plant & equipment and Biological assets.

(B) Geographical

	Malaysia		Sri Lanka		Company	
	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000
Revenue	127,262	153,375	2,523	2,561	129,785	155,936
Non-current assets	-	1,498,247	5,491,012	4,384,894	5,491,012	5,883,141

20. CONTRACTS FOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

There were no material contracts for capital expenditure as at the reporting date.

21. ASSETS PLEDGED

There were no assets pledged as at the reporting date.

22. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Company together with Shalimar Malay PLC, Indo-Malay PLC and Selinsing PLC with the approval of the shareholders, intend to provide the plantation property as security in the form of mortgage towards the financing facilities of Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd, the Company's parent amounting to not more than an aggregate limit of USD 55 Mn (Rs.7,958 Mn) in order to facilitate the Group's expansion programme of the plantation asset base. The plantation would only be provided as security only in the event the sale of the plantation property is not secured and the regulatory approvals are not obtained as explained in Note 7 to the Financial Statements.

Further, the Company together with the Shalimar Malay PLC, Indo-Malay PLC and Selinsing PLC have undertaken to provide a corporate guarantee for an amount not more than an aggregate limit of up to USD 55 Mn (Rs.7,958 Mn).

Goodhope Asia Holdings Ltd will pay commission of 1.2% per annum of the value of the Financing Facility for the provision of the above security and the corporate guarantee. This commission will be distributed to the respective Malaysian plantation companies on a proportionate basis based on the market value of each company.

A special resolution in respect of the above was approved by the shareholders at the Extra Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) held on 26th May 2016.

There were no any other circumstances which required adjustment to or disclosures in these Financial Statements.

23. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no material contingent liabilities as at the reporting date.

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24. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES
24.1 Transactions with related companies

Name of the Company	Relationship	Nature of Transaction	Terms	2016		2015	
				Transaction Value Rs.'000	Aggregate value of related party transactions as a % of net revenue	Amount Outstanding as at 31.03.2016 Rs.'000	Transaction Value Rs.'000
Recurrent Transactions							
Carsons Management Services (Pvt) Ltd	Group Company	Secretarial Fee	Note (a)	(553)	-	-	(501)
AHL Business Solutions (Pvt) Ltd	Fellow Subsidiary	IT Support Fee	Note (c)	(1,628)	(892)	(3,966)	-
Goodhope Investments (Pvt) Ltd	Fellow Subsidiary	Data Processing Fee	Note (b)	(796)	(616)	-	-
Agro Harapan Lestari Sdn. Bhd. (AHL SB)	Fellow Subsidiary (Managers)	Management fee, Performance Incentive and Sales commission	Note (d)	(16,547)	(4,266)	(19,290)	-
Total				(19,524)	13%		
Non-Recurrent Transactions							
Indo-Malay PLC	Fellow Subsidiary	Temporary Cash Advances given	Note (e)	39,108	15,932	-	-
		Interest income		58	-	-	-
Selinsing PLC	Fellow Subsidiary	Temporary Cash Advances given	Note (e)	85,491	1,303	-	-
		Interest expense		(30)	-	-	-
		Interest income		77	-	-	-
Shalimar (Malay) PLC	Fellow Subsidiary	Temporary Cash Advances given	Note (e)	48,635	-	-	-
		Interest income		137	-	-	-
		Interest expense		(18)	-	-	-

Note (a) - Carson Management Service (Pvt) Ltd. was appointed to provide secretarial services to the company.

Note (b) - Good Hope Investments (Pvt) Ltd. was appointed to provide data processing services to the company.

Note (c) - AHL Business Solutions (Pvt) Ltd. was appointed to provide IT support services to the company.

Note (d) - AHL SB was appointed as Managers to operate the Company's oil palm plantation business activities in Malaysia.

All the above recurrent related party transactions have been conducted on agreed commercial terms with the respective parties on an arm's length basis.

Note (e) - Interest expenses / income on the "temporary cash advances" given/received are at the prevailing market rates in Malaysia. These advances are repayable upon demand.

24.2 Compensation to key management personnel

	2016 Rs. '000	2015 Rs. '000
Emoluments/Fees	1,200	1,200

Key management personnel of the Company to whom the above fee relates, are non-executive members of the Board of Directors. Details of the non-executive directors are given in section 13.2 on page 15 under the Annual Report of the Board of Directors on the affairs of the Company. Executive Directors are not compensated for their role on the Board.

24.3 No material transactions have taken place during the year with the parties/entities in which key management personnel or their close family members have control, joint control or significant influence, which require disclosure in these Financial Statements other than those disclosed under 24.1 and 24.2 above.

25. GOING CONCERN

The financial statements of Company have been prepared on a going concern basis after evaluation of the current status of the proposed disposal of the overseas plantations assets (refer note 7 to the Financial Statements). Having taken into account of the above and financial position, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company's operation will continue for the foreseeable future.

26. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The company has trade and other receivables, and cash and short term deposits that arrive directly from its operations. The Company also holds available-for-sale investments. The Company's principal financial liabilities comprise trade and other payables.

The Company is exposed to market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk.

(a) Commodity price risk

The Company's primary source of cash inflows are from the sale of Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB). As the FFB prices (Net Sales Average-NSA) are determined by the international market prices for Crude Palm Oil (CPO) the Company may be adversely affected by unfavourable price fluctuations. Company's end product is FFB and hence no price hedging is done.

As at 31st March 2016, had the NSA (price of FFB) been 5% higher/lower with all other variables are constant, profit before tax would have increased/decreased by Rs.6.36 Mn (2015: Rs. 7.67 Mn).

(b) Investment risk

The Company's listed and unlisted equity securities are susceptible to market price risk arising from uncertainties.

The quoted equity investment value could be impacted due to changes in the prices. These are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

Unquoted equity investment is stated at fair value and is assessed by an independent party using the income approach using the discounted projected cash flows. Some of the key assumptions used are selling price of CPO production level of the investing company and discount rate which are beyond the control of the company.

At the reporting date, the unlisted equity securities are fair value at Rs.5,002 mn (2015: Rs. 3,922 mn). Sensitivity analysis of these investments have been provided in Note 11.3.

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(c) Foreign exchange risk

The Company's exposure to foreign exchange risk is minimal as the Malaysian and Sri Lankan operations are primarily domestic and transactions are recorded in the respective functional currency, i.e, Malaysian Ringgit and Sri Lankan Rupee.

However, a significant element of risk is generated through the translation of results into the Sri lankan rupee as majority of the assets are from the Malaysian operations.

Foreign Currency Sensitivity

The following table demonstrate the sensitivity to a reasonably possible changes in the Sri Lankan Rupees and Malaysian Ringgit exchange rates, with all other variables held constant. The impact on the Company's equity is due to changes in the fair value of Available for sale Financial Investment and net investment in Malaysian branch.

	Change in MYR Rate	
	2% increase Rs. '000	2% decrease Rs. '000
Effect on Equity of the Company	101,274	(101,274)

(d) Credit Risk

The Company is exposed to credit risk primarily from its trade receivables, which arise from its operating activities and its deposits with Banking Institutions. The Company's objective is to seek continual revenue growth while minimizing losses incurred due to increased credit risk exposure.

The Company trades only with recognized and credit worthy third parties and all customers are subject to a credit verification process. In addition, receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis with the result that the Company's exposure to bad debts is minimal. The age analysis of trade debtors are disclosed under note 12 to the Financial Statements.

(e) Liquidity Risk

The Company manages liquidity risk exposures through effective working capital management. The Company also has planning guidelines in place to ensure that the short term and medium term liquidity is managed at acceptable levels.

(f) Biological Assets Risk

The biological assets are stated at fair value and are assessed by an independent professional valuer using the discounted cash flows methodology. Some of the key assumptions which affect the valuation include the forecasted selling price of FFB, which is largely dependent on the projected international selling prices of CPO, and the applicable market discount rate which are beyond the control of the Company. While we take adequate measures to manage the controllable input of the valuation assumptions, volatility in the environmental and industry dynamics such as whether patterns, biological cycles, as well as changes in macro-economic and political factors including inflation rates and changes in the above mentioned factors also can result in fluctuations in the appraised fair value of our biological assets and may impact our financial results.

The Sensitivity analysis is disclosed under note 10 to the Financial Statements.

Five Year Summary

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	RS'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000
Continuing operations					
Operating Results					
Revenue	2,523	2,562	108,654	57,476	40,303
Profit Before Taxation	2,786	2,815	108,723	57,476	42,268
Taxation	(174)	(71)	(625)	(1,271)	(10)
Profit for the year from continuing operations	2,612	2,744	108,098	56,205	42,258
Discontinued operations					
Profit after tax for the year from discontinued operations	58,834	54,651	56,605	90,403	172,467
Profit for the Year	61,446	57,395	164,703	146,608	214,725

<i>As at 31st March</i>	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	RS'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000

Statement of Financial Position

Assets

Non-Current Assets

Property, plant and equipment	-	1,260,661	1,408,649	1,443,102	1,112,750
Biological assets	-	237,586	262,900	259,651	253,029
Non-current financial assets	5,491,012	4,384,894	3,727,257	3,930,495	3,777,667
	5,491,012	5,883,141	5,398,806	5,633,248	5,143,446
Current Assets	275,798	49,007	62,080	92,751	269,271
Assets of disposal group held for sale	1,571,245	-	-	-	-
Total Assets	7,338,055	5,932,148	5,460,886	5,725,999	5,412,717

Equity and Liabilities

Stated capital	68,713	68,713	68,713	68,713	68,713
Reserves	6,888,868	5,752,554	5,274,710	5,554,980	5,250,685
	6,957,581	5,821,267	5,343,423	5,623,693	5,319,398

Non-Current Liabilities

Deferred tax liability	-	57,492	66,418	65,332	63,855
Retirement benefit obligations	-	1,883	2,930	3,380	3,476
	-	59,375	69,348	68,712	67,331
Current Liabilities	318,850	51,506	48,115	33,594	25,988

Liabilities directly associated

with assets held for sale	61,624	-	-	-	-
Total Equity & Liabilities	7,338,055	5,932,148	5,460,886	5,725,999	5,412,717

Figures in previous years have been rearranged where ever necessary to conform to the discontinued operations disclosed under note 7 to the Financial Statements.

Five Year Summary

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	RS'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000	Rs'000
Cash Flow Statements					
Continuing operations					
Net cash flows from operating activities	2,182	2,385	105,394	49,700	41,162
Net cash (outflows)/inflows from investing activities	430	358	2,854	6,505	1,096
Net cash used in financing activities	(78,375)	(61,041)	(191,881)	(303,258)	(375,903)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash & cash equivalents from continuing operations	(75,763)	(58,298)	(83,633)	(247,053)	(333,645)
Net cash flows from discontinued operations	297,041	40,880	56,773	70,992	439,318
Net (decrease)/increase in cash & cash equivalents	221,278	(17,418)	(26,860)	(176,061)	105,673

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Ratios and Statistics					
Return on ordinary shareholders' funds (%)	0.88	0.99	3.08	2.61	4.04
Current ratio (times)	0.86	0.95	1.29	2.76	10.36
Quick asset ratio (times)	0.86	0.94	1.26	2.75	10.30
Gross profit margin (%) (a)	67.15	69.54	79.20	73.83	76.35
Net profit margin (%) (a)	48.43	36.81	64.97	61.74	95.58
Combined Earnings per share (EPS) (Rs.) (b)	8.94	8.35	23.97	21.34	31.25
EPS from Continuing Operations	0.38	0.40	15.73	8.18	6.15
EPS from Discontinued Operations	8.56	7.95	8.24	13.16	25.10
Dividend per ordinary share (Rs.) (c)	8.21	3.72	24.51	38.73	63.70
Dividend payout (%)	91.81	44.55	102.00	181.49	203.84
Net assets per ordinary share (Rs.) (d)	1,012.56	847.18	777.64	818.43	774.15
Market value per share (Rs.)	1,217.10	1,652.30	1,508.20	1,100.00	1,186.00
P/E ratio (times)	136.11	197.81	62.92	51.56	37.95
Market capitalization (Rs.'000)	8,363,068	11,353,461	10,363,305	7,558,438	8,149,370

Figures in previous years have been rearranged where ever necessary to conform to the discontinued operations disclosed under note 7 to the Financial Statements.

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
Plantation Operations (Discontinued Operations)					
Mature area (Ha)	273.22	313.44	313.44	310.06	310.06
Immature area (Ha)	40.22	-	-	3.38	3.38
Net sales average (MYR)	450.70	489.00	495.21	532.80	645.95
Crop (MT)	8,167	7,929	7,209	8,064	7,692
Yield per Ha. (MT) (e)	28.22	25.52	23.20	26.24	25.03
Cost of Production per MT of FFB (MYR)	152.99	153.00	180.18	183.81	187.47

- (a) Gross profit margin and Net profit margin consist of dividend income received from its investment.
- (b) The earnings per ordinary share is calculated by dividing the profit for the year over the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.
- (c) Based on proposed dividend and interim dividend paid.
- (d) Net assets per ordinary share is calculated by dividing shareholders' funds by the number of ordinary shares.
- (e) The yield is computed by taking into account the average mature hectares during the year.
- (f) Figures in previous years have been rearranged where ever necessary to conform to the discontinued operations disclosed under note 7 to the Financial Statements.

Statement of Value Added

	2016 Rs. '000	%	2015 Rs. '000	%
Revenue	129,785		155,936	
Gain arising from change in fair value of Biological assets	(11,889)		2,245	
Other income & gains	28,910		252	
	146,806		158,433	
Bought in materials and services	(109,802)		(50,525)	
	37,004		107,908	
Distributed as follows:				
To Employees				
as remuneration	23,518	63.55	25,043	23.21
To Government				
as taxation	12,591	34.03	21,553	19.97
To Providers of capital				
as ordinary dividends	81,975	221.52	67,133	62.21
Retained in the Business				
as depreciation	1,712	4.63	2,633	2.44
as deferred tax	(329)	-0.89	666	0.62
as retained profits	(82,463)	-222.84	(9,120)	-8.45
	37,004	100	107,908	100

The Statement of Value Added shows the quantum of wealth generated by the activities of the Company and its application.

US\$ Financials

Preparation of US Dollar Financials

The Financial Statements of the Company are stated in Sri Lankan Rupees. The translation of the Sri Lankan Rupee amounts into US Dollars is included solely for the convenience of Shareholders, Investors, Bankers and other users of Financial Statements.

US Dollar financials do not form part of the Audited Financial Statements of the Company.

Statement of Profit or Loss

<i>Year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
	US\$	US\$
Continuing operations		
Revenue	17,813	19,654
Other Income	1,812	1,893
	19,625	21,547
Administrative Expenses	-	-
Profit before tax from continuing operations	19,625	21,547
Income tax expense	(1,203)	(549)
Profit for the year from continuing operations	18,422	20,997
Discontinued operations		
Profit after tax for the year from discontinued operations	437,686	419,287
Profit for the year	456,108	440,285

Figures in brackets indicate deductions.

Statement of Financial Position

As at	31st March 2016 US\$	31st March 2015 US\$
Assets		
Non-Current Assets		
Property, plant and equipment	-	9,455,901
Biological assets	-	1,782,076
Non-current financial assets	37,951,495	32,889,990
Total Non-Current Assets	37,951,495	44,127,967
Current Assets		
Inventories	4,525	4,542
Trade and other receivables	172,498	134,980
Advance and prepayments	7,366	12,024
Taxation recoverable	-	6,901
Cash and cash equivalents	1,721,820	209,146
	1,906,210	367,593
Assets of disposal group held for sale	10,859,767	-
Total Assets	50,717,472	44,495,560
Equity and Liabilities		
Equity		
Stated capital	878,000	878,000
Retained earnings	2,804,403	3,052,261
Other reserves	44,405,400	39,733,623
Total Shareholders' Funds	48,087,803	43,663,884
Non-Current Liabilities		
Deferred tax liability	-	431,237
Retirement benefit obligations	-	14,118
Total Non-Current Liabilities	-	445,355
Current Liabilities		
Trade and other payables	2,179,628	366,448
Provision and accrued expenses	21,622	19,873
Income Tax Payable	2,500	-
	2,203,750	386,321
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	425,919	-
Total Equity & Liabilities	50,717,472	44,495,560

Notes to the Financial Statements

1. BASIS OF CONVERSION

The translation of Sri Lankan Rupee amounts into US Dollar amounts is solely for the convenience of the shareholders, investors, bankers and other users of Financial Statements.

The translation of the Financial Statements into US Dollar was affected based on the following exchange rates.

	2016 Rs.	2015 Rs.
Statement of Profit or Loss	139.05	131.20
Monetary assets and liabilities	144.69	133.32
Non-current assets and liabilities	144.69	133.32

2. RETAINED EARNINGS

	2016 US\$	2015 US\$
Balance as at 01st April 2015	3,052,261	3,122,732
Super Gain Tax expense	(120,015)	-
Adjusted balance as at 01st April 2015	2,932,246	3,122,732
Profit for the year from continuing operations	18,422	20,997
Profit for the year from discontinued operations	437,686	419,287
Other comprehensive income	(3,354)	4,639
Ordinary dividend	(580,597)	(515,394)
Balance as at 31st March 2016	2,804,403	3,052,261

SEGMENTAL REPORTING

For Management purpose, the Company is organised into business units based on their products and services. The two reportable segments have been identified as indicated below;

As explained in note 7 to the financial statements, the Oil Palm Plantation Segment has been reclassified and reported under discontinued operations and accordingly the related assets and liabilities have been reclassified as "asset held for sale" and "liabilities associated with asset held for sale", respectively.

(A) INDUSTRY

	Oil Palm Plantation		Investments		Company	
	2016 US\$	2015 US\$	2016 US\$	2015 US\$	2016 US\$	2015 US\$
Revenue						
External revenue	924,020	1,171,689	17,813	19,654	941,833	1,191,343
	924,020	1,171,689	17,813	19,654	941,833	1,191,343
Result						
Segment result	527,188	586,974	19,625	21,547	546,813	608,521
Taxation	(89,502)	(167,687)	(1,203)	(549)	(90,705)	(168,236)
	437,686	419,287	18,422	20,998	456,108	440,285
Other information						
Segment assets	12,694,199	11,520,476	38,023,273	32,975,084	50,717,472	44,495,560
Segment liabilities	2,284,888	484,345	344,781	347,331	2,629,669	831,676
Capital expenditure	99,830	35,389	-	-	99,830	35,389
Depreciation	12,358	20,049	-	-	12,358	20,049
Retirement benefits charge	1,395	2,030	-	-	1,395	2,030

(B) GEOGRAPHICAL

	Malaysia		Sri Lanka		Company	
	2016 US\$	2015 US\$	2016 US\$	2015 US\$	2016 US\$	2015 US\$
Revenue	924,020	1,171,689	17,813	19,654	941,833	1,191,343
Non-current assets	-	11,237,977	37,951,495	32,889,990	37,951,495	44,127,967

Five Year Summary

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
Operating Results					
Revenue	17,813	19,654	858,278	436,915	357,417
Profit before tax from continuing operations	18,422	20,997	853,999	427,214	373,146
Taxation	(1,203)	(549)	(4,796)	(9,700)	(85)
Profit for the Year from continuing operations	17,220	20,448	849,204	417,514	373,060
Discontinued operations					
Profit for the year from discontinued operations	438,889	419,837	439,320	703,408	1,473,704
Profit for the year	456,108	440,285	1,288,524	1,120,922	1,846,764
As at 31st March					
	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
Statement of Financial Position					
Assets					
Non-Current Assets					
Property, plant and equipment	-	9,455,901	10,775,251	11,372,859	8,546,477
Biological assets	-	1,782,076	2,011,018	2,046,271	1,943,391
Non-current financial assets	37,951,495	32,889,990	28,511,107	30,975,609	29,014,327
	37,951,495	44,127,967	41,297,376	44,394,739	39,504,195
Assets of disposal group					
held for sale	10,859,767	-	-	-	-
Current Assets	1,906,210	367,593	474,877	731,051	2,068,134
Total Assets	50,717,472	44,495,560	41,772,253	45,125,790	41,572,329
Equity and Liabilities					
Stated capital	878,000	878,000	878,000	878,000	878,000
Reserves	47,209,803	42,785,884	39,995,747	43,441,550	39,977,593
	48,087,803	43,663,884	40,873,747	44,319,550	40,855,593
Non-Current Liabilities					
Deferred tax liability	-	431,237	508,056	514,868	490,434
Retirement benefit obligations	-	14,118	22,409	26,640	26,697
	-	445,355	530,465	541,508	517,131
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale					
	425,919	-	-	-	-
Current Liabilities	2,203,750	386,321	368,041	264,732	199,605
Total Equity & Liabilities	50,717,472	44,495,560	41,772,253	45,125,790	41,572,329

Figures in previous years have been rearranged where ever necessary to conform to the discontinued operations disclosed under note 7 to the Financial Statements.

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$

Cash Flow Statements

Continuing operations

Net cash (outflows)/inflows from operating activities	15,081	17,889	806,196	391,678	316,144
Net cash (outflows)/inflows from investing activities	2,972	2,685	21,831	51,265	8,418
Net cash used in financing activities	(541,675)	(457,853)	(1,467,766)	(2,389,928)	(2,887,120)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash & cash equivalents from Continuing operations	(523,623)	(437,279)	(639,738)	(1,946,986)	(2,562,558)
Net cash flows from discontinued operations	2,052,948	306,631	417,567	609,212	3,178,400
Net (decrease)/increase in cash & cash equivalents	1,529,325	(130,648)	(222,171)	(1,337,774)	615,842

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
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Ratios and Statistics

Return on ordinary shareholders' funds (%)	0.95	1.01	3.15	2.53	4.52
Current ratio (times)	0.86	0.95	1.29	2.76	10.36
Quick asset ratio (times)	0.86	0.95	1.26	2.75	10.36
Gross profit margin (%) (a)	67.15	69.61	79.45	73.70	76.36
Net profit margin (%) (a)	48.43	36.96	65.38	61.50	91.67
Combined Earnings per share (EPS) (US\$) (b)	0.07	0.06	0.19	0.16	0.27
EPS from Continuing Operations	0.01	0.00	0.12	0.06	0.05
EPS from Discontinued Operations	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.10	0.22
Dividend per ordinary share (US\$) (c)	0.06	0.03	0.19	0.30	0.57
Dividend pay out (%)	85.49	50	100.00	187.50	211.11
Net assets per ordinary share (US\$) (d)	7.00	6.35	5.95	6.45	5.95
Market value per share (US\$)	8.41	12.39	11.54	8.67	9.11
P/E ratio (times)	126.70	193.42	61.52	53.14	33.90
Market capitalization (US\$'000)	57,788	85,159	79,273	59,567	62,591

- (a) Gross profit margin and Net profit margin consist of dividend income received from its investment.
- (b) The earnings per ordinary share is calculated by dividing the profit for the year over the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.
- (c) Based on proposed dividend and interim dividend paid.
- (d) Net assets per ordinary share is calculated by dividing shareholders' funds by the number of ordinary shares.
- (e) Figures in previous years have been rearranged where ever necessary to conform to the discontinued operations disclosed under note 7 to the Financial Statements.

Information to Shareholders and Investors

1. Stock Exchange Listing

Good Hope PLC is a Public Quoted Company, the ordinary shares of which are listed on the main board of the Colombo Stock Exchange of Sri Lanka.

2. Share Valuation

Market value of the Company shares as at 31st March 2016 was Rs.1,217.10 per share (2015: Rs. 1,652.30 per share).

3. Shareholders

<i>As at 31st March</i>	2016	2015
No. of Ordinary Shareholders	399	364

The number of ordinary shares held by non – residents as at 31st March 2016 was 6,781,776 which amount to 98.69% of the total number of ordinary shares.

Resident/Non-Residents shareholders as at 31st March 2016

Distribution of Shares	Residents			Non-Residents			Total		
	No. of Members	No. of Shares	%	No. of Members	No. of Shares	%	No. of Members	No. of Shares	%
1 - 1,000	365	14,118	0.21	5	2,070	0.02	370	16,188	0.23
1,001 - 10,000	11	30,714	0.45	9	43,664	0.64	20	74,378	1.08
10,001 - 100,000	3	44,699	0.65	4	94,477	1.37	7	139,176	2.03
100,001 - 1,000,000	-	-	-	1	146,966	2.14	1	146,966	2.14
Above 1,000,000	-	-	-	1	6,494,599	94.52	1	6,494,599	94.52
Grand Total	379	89,531	1.31	20	6,781,776	98.69	399	6,871,307	100

Categorization of Shareholders as at 31st March 2016

	No. of Shareholders	No. of Shares	%
Individuals	365	372,293	5.42
Institutions	34	6,499,014	94.58

Public Shareholding

Percentage of ordinary shares held by the public as at 31st March 2016 was 5.48% and the number of public shareholders was 386.

4. Market Performance - Ordinary Shares

<i>For the year ended 31st March</i>	2016	2015
Highest - (Rs.)	1,998.90	2,350.00
Lowest - (Rs.)	1,102.00	1,449.90
Volume Traded (Shares)	5,251	2,630
No. of Trades	375	255
Value of Shares Traded (Rs. '000)	8,205	4,238

5. Market Capitalization

Market capitalization of the Company, which is the number of ordinary shares in issue multiplied by the market value of a share, was Rs.8,363.07 mn as at 31st March 2016 (2015: Rs. 11,353.46 mn).

6. Record of Scrip Issues

The under mentioned scrip issues have been made by the Company.

Year ended 31st March	Issue	Basis	No. of Ordinary Shares	Cumulative Ordinary Share Capital Rs.
1994	-	-	441,828	4,418,280
1995	Bonus	1:01	441,828	8,836,560
1998	Bonus	1:02	441,828	13,254,840
1999	Bonus	1:01	1,325,484	26,509,680
2002 April	Bonus	1:05	530,193	31,811,610
2003 May	Bonus	1:05	636,232	38,173,930
2004 March	Bonus	4:05	3,053,914	68,713,070
Total Shares in Issue			6,871,307	

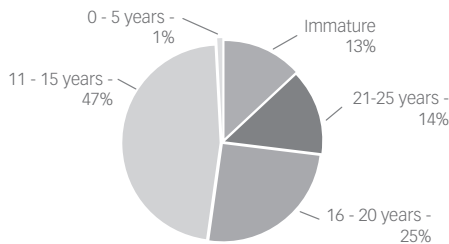
7. Malaysian Property

- 7.1** The gross area of the oil palm plantation is 317.83 Ha (Including infrastructure).
7.2 The plantation is situated in the State of Selangor, District of Kuala Langat in Malaysia.
7.3 The carrying value of the property, plant & equipment as at the reporting date was Rs.1,324.80 mn (2015: Rs. 1,260.66 mn) on an existing use basis.

8. Mature and Immature Plantation Age Analysis

	Mature					Immature	Total
Year	0-5	6 - 10	11 - 15	16 - 20	21 - 25		
Hectares	3.31	-	147.13	79.25	43.53	40.22	313.44

Plantation Age Analysis of the Company

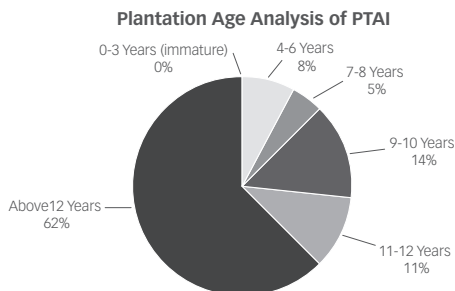


Information to Shareholders and Investors

9. Indonesian Property

PT Agro Indomas (PTAI), the Company's investment made through Shalimar Developments Sdn. Bhd. (Investment vehicle in Malaysia) is located in Kalimantan province, Indonesia. The total land area of PT Agro Indomas is approximately 26,861 Ha.

	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Crop Production (MT)	454,564	458,711	454,110	540,691	480,869	498,012
CPO (MT)	117,087	118,247	100,462	125,875	117,514	124,421
PK(MT)	27,172	27,977	23,118	29,150	26,384	28,723
CPO Ex Mill Price (US\$)	464	677	704	706	840	790
FFB Yeild (MT per Hectare)	22.77	22.90	22.91	27.28	25.18	26.84
CPO / Ha (MT)	4.94	5.90	4.89	5.59	5.84	6.11
Milling Capacity (MT per Hour)	225	225	225	180	180	180
Value of biological assets and property, plant & equipment. (US\$ Mn)	193.6	193.70	195.08	190.36	179.72	162.54



As noted in the Chairman's Statement, the Global Commodities market witnessed a downturn along with a sharp decline in Crude Oil prices. The Crude Palm Oil ("CPO") prices too have seen a similar trend with prices reaching 5 year lows over the last 1-2 year period, mostly trading at lower than average prices recorded in the previous price cycles. Extreme weather conditions were experienced in Indonesia during the year with the onset of El-Nino phenomenon which impacted the crop production in the current year and is also anticipated to impact the crop production in the coming year.

10. Profile of Independent Professional Valuers/Firms

10.1 Malaysian Property Valuation

The Company has obtained independent valuations from three reputed independent professional valuation firms. The profiles of the independent professional valuation firms are given below:

a) Savills (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd

Savills is a global real estate services provider listed on the London Stock Exchange with an international network of more than 700 offices and associates throughout the Americas, the UK, continental Europe, Asia Pacific, Africa and the Middle East, offering a broad range of specialist advisory, management and transactional services all over the world. (Website: www.savills.com.my)

b) Jones Lang Wootton

Established in 1974, Jones Lang Wootton has offices in Kuala Lumpur and Johor Bahru with a team of over 41 dedicated professionals, specialists and experienced staff, providing services covering: Valuation, Project Co-ordination, Property valuation advisory and consultancy, strategic consulting and market research, agency, property and asset management as well as project coordination to property owners, investors and occupiers. (website: www.jlwmalaysia.com)

c) W.M. Malik & Kamaruzaman

The firm of W M Malik & Kamaruzaman, Chartered Surveyors-Valuers ("WMMK") is a property consultancy and valuation firm providing professional services in asset valuation, estate agency, property management, market and feasibility studies, property consultancy and project management. WMMK was first established in December 1968 under the name of W M Malik & Associates, and is among the first valuation firms to be established in Malaysia. (Website: <http://wmmkj.com/home.htm>).

10.2 Biological Asset Valuation

d) KJPP Rengganis, Hamid & Partners

KJPP Rengganis, Hamid & Partners – Property, Business Valuation & Advisory Services is an international property valuation firm established in Oct 1984. The firm is Strategically Associated with CB Richard Ellis which is listed in New York Stock Exchange. The Partners have licenses in property and business valuation and there are public and registered valuers of the Indonesia Society of Appraisers (MAPPI) who are employed with the firm. (Website <http://rhp-valuation.com>)

10.3 Un-quoted Investment Valuation

e) PricewaterhouseCoopers Capital Sdn Bhd ("PwC Capital")

PricewaterhouseCoopers Capital Sdn Bhd ("PwC Capital") is part of the PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) network of firms. PwC has a presence in 157 countries with more than 208,000 employees. PwC provides industry-focused assurance, tax, consulting and deals services for public and private clients in four areas of Corporate accountability, Risk management, Structuring and M&A and Performance and process improvement. (Website : <http://www.pwc.com/my/en.html>)

Glossary of Financial Terms

Capital Reserves

Reserves identified for specific purposes and considered not available for distribution.

Cash Equivalents

Liquid investments with original maturities of six months or less.

Contingent Liabilities

Conditions or situations at the Balance Sheet date, the financial effects of which are to be determined by future events which may or may not occur.

Current Ratio

Current assets divided by current liabilities.

Quick Ratio

Current assets less inventories divided by current liabilities.

Gross Profit Margin

Gross profit divided by revenue.

Net Profit Margin

Net profit divided by revenue.

Dividend Per Share

Dividend paid interim and proposed, divided by the number of shares in issue which ranked for those dividends.

Dividend Payout

Total interim and proposed dividends divided by profit after tax.

Earnings Per Ordinary Share

Profits attributable to ordinary shareholders before extraordinary items and after preference dividend divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue, ranking for dividend.

Equity

Shareholders' funds.

Events Occurring after Reporting Date

Significant events that occur between the Reporting date and the date on which Financial Statements are authorized for issue.

Market Capitalization

The market value of a company at a given date obtained by multiplying the share price by the number of shares in issue.

Net Assets Per Share

Total assets less total liabilities divided by the number of ordinary shares in issue.

Net Current Assets

Current assets less current liabilities. Measures the capital required to finance day-to-day operations.

Price Earnings Ratio (P/E)

Market price of a share divided by earnings per share.

Rate of Ordinary Dividend

The Rupee amount of the dividend per share as a percentage of the nominal value of the shares.

Reserves

The total of capital and revenue reserves.

Related Parties

Parties who could control or significantly influence the financial and operating policies/decisions of the business.

Return on Shareholders' Funds

Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders divided by shareholders' funds (total of ordinary share capital and reserves).

Revenue Reserves

Reserves considered as being available for distribution.

Segment

Constituent business units grouped in terms of nature and similarity of operations.

Value Addition

The quantum of wealth generated by the activities of the Company.

Others

CPO - Crude Palm Oil

PK - Palm Kernel

FFB - Fresh Fruit Bunches

Ha - Hectare

MYR - Malaysian Ringgit

MPC - Malaysian Plantation Companies

AFS - Available-For-Sale

MT - Metric Tonnes

Notice of Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of GOOD HOPE PLC will be held on Thursday, the 29th day of June 2016, at 9.00 a.m at the 8th Floor, No. 65C, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 07, for the following purposes:

1. To receive and adopt the Annual Report of the Board of Directors and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2016, together with the Report of the Auditors thereon.
2. To re-elect Mr. P.C. P. Tissera who retires by rotation in terms of Articles 98 & 99 of the Articles of Association of the Company.
3. To re-appoint Mr. I. Paulraj as a Director of the Company who is over seventy years of age and to consider and if deemed fit to pass the following resolution:

"IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the age limit stipulated in Section 210 of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 shall not be applicable to Mr. I. Paulraj who is seventy nine years of age and that he be re-appointed a Director of the Company from the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting for a further period of one year".

4. To re-appoint Mr. T. Rodrigo as a Director of the Company who is over seventy years of age and to consider and if deemed fit to pass the following resolution :

"IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the age limit stipulated in Section 210 of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 shall not be applicable to Mr. T. Rodrigo who is eighty six years of age and that he be re-appointed a Director of the Company from the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting for a further period of one year".

5. To re-appoint Mr. A.K. Sellayah as a Director of the Company who is over seventy years of age and to consider and if deemed fit to pass the following resolution:

"IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the age limit stipulated in Section 210 of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 shall not be applicable

to Mr. A.K. Sellayah who is seventy four years of age and that he be re-appointed a Director of the Company from the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting for a further period of one year".

6. To re-appoint Messrs. Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants as Auditors of the Company as set out in Section 154 (1) of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 and to authorize the Directors to determine their remuneration.

By Order of the Board

(Sgd.)

K.D.De Silva (Mrs.)

Director

Carsons Management Services (Pvt) Ltd.

Secretaries

Colombo

27th May 2016

Notes

1. A member is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of him/her. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. A Form of Proxy accompanies this notice.
2. The completed Form of Proxy must be deposited at the Registered Office, No.61, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1, not later than 4.45 p.m on 27th June 2016.
3. A person representing a Corporation is required to carry a certified copy of the resolution authorising him/her to act as the representative of the Corporation. A representative need not be a member.
4. The transfer books of the Company will remain open.
5. Security Check

We shall be obliged if the Shareholders/ proxies attending the Annual General Meeting, produce their National Identity Card to the security personnel stationed at the entrance.

Form of Proxy

*I/We.....
of.....
being *a Member/Members of GOOD HOPE PLC, hereby appoint

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of.....
bearing NIC No./Passport No..... or failing him/her.

Hariharan Selvanathan	or failing him,
Manoharan Selvanathan	or failing him,
Israel Paulraj	or failing him,
Tennyson Rodrigo	or failing him,
Allen Kenneth Sellayah	or failing him,
Don Chandima Rajakaruna Gunawardena	or failing him,
Palehenalage Chandana Priyankara Tissera	

As *my/our proxy to attend at the Annual General Meeting of the Company to be held on Wednesday, the 29th day of June 2016 at 9.00 a.m. at the 8th Floor, No. 65 C, Dharmapala Mawatha, Colombo 07 and any adjournment thereof and at every poll which may be taken in consequence thereof.

	For	Against
1. To adopt the Annual Report of the Board of Directors and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2016, together with the Report of the Auditors thereon.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. To re-elect Mr. P.C.P.Tissera who retires by rotation in terms of Articles 98 & 99 of the Articles of Association of the Company.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. To re-appoint Mr. I. Paulraj who is over seventy years of age as a Director of the Company.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. To re-appoint Mr. T. Rodrigo who is over seventy years of age as a Director of the Company.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. To re-appoint Mr. A.K. Sellayah who is over seventy years of age as a Director of the Company.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. To re-appoint Messrs. Ernst & Young, Chartered Accountants as Auditors of the Company as set out in Section 154 (1) of the Companies Act No. 7 of 2007 and to authorize the Directors to determine their remuneration.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signed this day ofTwo Thousand and Sixteen.

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Signature/s

Notes

- * Please delete the inappropriate words.
- A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at a General Meeting of the Company, is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of him/her and the proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. A proxy so appointed shall have the right to vote on a show of hands or on a poll and to speak at the General Meeting of the shareholders
- A shareholder is not entitled to appoint more than one proxy on the same occasion.
- Instructions are noted on the reverse hereof.

INSTRUCTIONS AS TO COMPLETION

Instructions as to Completion

1. Kindly perfect the form of proxy after filling in legibly your full name and address, by signing in the space provided. Please fill in the date of signature.
2. If you wish to appoint a person other than the Directors as your proxy, please insert the relevant details in the space provided overleaf.
3. In terms of Article 86 of the Articles of Association of the Company: The instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing and -
 - (i) in the case of an individual shall be signed by the Appointor or by his Attorney;and
 - (ii) in the case of a Corporation shall be either under its common seal or signed by its Attorney or by an officer on behalf of the Corporation.

The Company may, but shall not be bound to, require evidence of the authority of any such Attorney or officer.

A proxy need not be a member of the Company.

4. In the case of joint-holders of a share, the senior who tenders a vote, whether in person or by proxy or by Attorney or by representative, shall be accepted to the exclusion of the votes of the other joint- holders and for this purpose seniority shall be determined by the order in which the names stands in the Register of Members in respect of the joint holding.
5. To be valid the completed Form of Proxy should be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company situated at No. 61, Janadhipathi Mawatha, Colombo 1 not later than 4.45 p.m on 27th June 2016.

Please fill in the following details

Name :

Address :

Jointly with :

Share Folio No. :

Corporate Information

NAME OF THE COMPANY

Good Hope PLC

COMPANY REGISTRATION NO.

PQ 43

LEGAL FORM

A Public Quoted Company with Limited Liability incorporated in Sri Lanka in 1910

DIRECTORS

Hariharan Selvanathan (Chairman)
Manoharan Selvanathan
Israel Paulraj
Tennyson Rodrigo
Allan Kenneth Sellayah
D. Chandima R. Gunawardena
P. Chandana P. Tissera

ALTERNATE DIRECTOR

Subramaniam Mahendrarajah
(for Israel Paulraj)

BANKERS

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HSBC Bank Malaysia Berhad
Standard Chartered Bank
Deutsche Bank

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