HELA APPAREL HOLDINGS PLC

CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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GROUP CEO'S REVIEW

The Hela Apparel Holdings Group demonstrated an improved performance in the third quarter of FY 2023/24, despite the continuation of a challenging demand environment. Revenue of Rs. 14.3 Bn represented a 34.3% decline compared to the same quarter of the previous year, driven by a 27.0% year-on-year reduction in the Group's underlying US Dollar-denominated sales and the appreciation of the rupee during this interval. While the revenue performance reflects still challenging market conditions for apparel brands in the Group's key markets, it is notable that the year-on-year drop was less than recorded in the second quarter and indicates a degree of stability in demand patterns.

From a profitability perspective, the third guarter demonstrated the initial positive impact of the Group's Project 180° strategy. Gross profit margins picked up during the guarter to 8.4% - the highest level recorded in the current financial year - as capacity reduction measures took effect and improved Group-wide capacity utilisation. This was complemented by a notable 16.6% year-on-year reduction (-32.9% quarter-on-quarter) in administrative expenses as cost rationalisation measures demonstrated results. The Group's focus on operational excellence also contributed to a 72.1% year-on-year decline (-53.0% quarter-on-quarter) in distribution costs, driven by a significant reduction in unplanned air freight expenses.

As a result, while the Group recorded an Operating and Post-Tax Loss in the third quarter, margins improved by 580bp and 220bp, respectively, compared to the preceding quarter. This is reflective of the material steps that have been taken to reorient the business to the prevailing trading environment.

Looking ahead, the Group's visibility on future demand suggests a continued stabilisation in revenue. That said, the timing of a sustained recovery remains uncertain and there are a number of external risk factors on the horizon that may crystallize in future quarters.

In this context, the management team remains focused on the implementation of the Project 180° strategy to drive a return to profitability and expects a further improvement in performance in the fourth quarter. Gross profit margins, in particular, have scope to increase further as the Group's capacity and cost base is now better aligned to match the current level of demand.

The landmark acquisition of Focus Brands Limited, the major UK-based brand licensing house which will be consolidated into the Group's financial statements in the fourth quarter, is also expected to have a positive impact on revenue, profitability and key balance sheet metrics. In addition, a one-off valuation gain on the acquisition is expected to be recorded in the fourth quarter, further improving profitability and strengthening the balance sheet.

With the global demand picture stabilising, the existing Private Label Manufacturing Division now in a more resilient position to navigate the volatile operating environment, and the addition of Focus Brands as the foundation of the Group's new Brand Licensing Division, Hela is well positioned to deliver greater value to our shareholders over the coming quarters. Nonetheless, we remain vigilant to the risks ahead and will continue to focus on maintaining an agile positioning.

Dilanka Jinadasa Group CEO

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Note: We advise readers of the interim condensed financial statements to take note of the forward looking statements disclosure on the final page.

Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss

	Group)	Company		
	Quarter ended 31	L December	Quarter ended 3	1 December	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Revenue from contracts with customers	14,293,333	21,750,692	-	-	
Cost of sales	(13,099,579)	(18,766,522)	-	-	
Gross profit	1,193,754	2,984,170	-	-	
Distribution costs	(312,157)	(1,119,598)	-	-	
Administrative costs	(1,994,613)	(2,391,474)	(2,417)	(3,418)	
Other income	137,073	146,426	-	23	
Other gains / (losses) - net	36,397	(48,170)	(22)	(7)	
Operating loss	(939,546)	(428,646)	(2,439)	(3,402)	
Finance income	17,783	17,419	17	-	
Finance costs	(1,050,550)	(1,090,771)	-	(2)	
Finance (costs) / income - net	(1,032,767)	(1,073,352)	17	(2)	
Share of loss of equity accounted investee, net of tax	(9,733)	(58,229)	-	-	
Loss before income tax	(1,982,046)	(1,560,227)	(2,422)	(3,404)	
Income tax (expense)/ reversal	141,917	(128,035)	-	-	
Loss for the period	(1,840,129)	(1,688,262)	(2,422)	(3,404)	
Profit / (loss) is attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	(1,878,916)	(1,683,825)	(2,422)	(3,404)	
Non-controlling interests	38,787	(4,437)	-	-	
Loss for the period	(1,840,129)	(1,688,262)	(2,422)	(3,404)	
Earnings / (loss) per share for profit / (loss) attributable to the equity holders of the Company	LKR	LKR	LKR	LKR	
Basic / diluted earnings / (loss) per share	(1.43)	(1.29)	(0.00)	(0.00)	

Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Group		Company Quarter ended 31 December		
	Quarter ended 31	December			
	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)	
Profit / (loss) for the period	(1,840,129)	(1,688,262)	(2,422)	(3,404)	
Other comprehensive income:					
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss					
Currency translation differences	6,519	(352,068)	(10,927)	15,446	
Remeasurement of deferred tax due to changes in tax rates	-	(10,287)	-	-	
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	6,519	(362,355)	(10,927)	15,446	
Total comprehensive income/ (loss) for the period	(1,833,610)	(2,050,617)	(13,349)	12,042	

Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss

	Grou)	Company		
	Nine months ended	i 31 December	Nine months ended	31 December	
	2023	2022	2023	2022 (Unaversited)	
	(Unaudited) 48,521,822	(Unaudited) 74,478,793	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Revenue from contracts with customers	+0,JZ1,0ZZ	77,77,755	-	_	
Cost of sales	(44,881,225)	(63,036,355)	-	-	
Gross profit	3,640,597	11,442,438	-	-	
Distribution costs	(1,552,147)	(3,750,800)	-	-	
Administrative costs	(6,946,136)	(6,297,697)	(7,293)	(8,059)	
Other income	212,623	397,523	-	44	
Other gains / (losses) - net	347,832	174,475	3	(796,980)	
Operating profit / (loss)	(4,297,231)	1,965,939	(7,290)	(804,995)	
Finance income	33,202	30,434	65	2,874	
Finance costs	(2,965,618)	(2,476,922)	-	(63)	
Finance (costs) / income - net	(2,932,416)	(2,446,488)	65	2,811	
	(54,255)	(63,009)	-	-	
Share of loss of equity accounted investee, net of tax Loss before income tax	(7,283,902)	(543,558)	(7,225)	(802,184)	
Income tax (expense)/ reversal	889,679	(236,693)	-	-	
Loss for the period	(6,394,223)	(780,251)	(7,225)	(802,184)	
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Profit / (loss) is attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	(6,488,125)	(886,879)	(7,225)	(802,184)	
Non-controlling interests	93,902	106,628	-	-	
Loss for the period	(6,394,223)	(780,251)	(7,225)	(802,184)	
Earnings / (loss) per share for profit / (loss) attributable to the equity holders of the	LKR	LKR	LKR	LKR	
Company Basic / diluted earnings / (loss) per share	(4.93)	(0.60)	(0.01)	(0.61)	
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Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Group)	Company Nine months ended 31 December		
	Nine months ended	31 December			
	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)	
Profit / (loss) for the period	(6,394,223)	(780,251)	(7,225)	(802,184)	
Other comprehensive income: Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss					
Currency translation differences	(206,345)	2,618,681	(70,190)	1,455,650	
Remeasurement of deferred tax due to changes in tax rates	-	(9,987)	-	-	
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	(206,345)	2,608,694	(70,190)	1,455,650	
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	(6,600,568)	1,828,443	(77,415)	653,466	

Condensed Statement of Financial Position

(All amounts are in Sri Lankan Rupees Thousands)

		Group		Company			
	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.2023	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.2023	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	
ASSETS							
Non-current assets							
Property, plant and equipment	8,813,052	8,524,733	9,001,940	-	-	-	
Investment property	553,950	546,481	559,700	-	-	-	
Right-of-use assets	2,674,685	793,032	2,742,171	-	-	-	
Intangible assets	11,842,770	13,237,901	11,957,563	-	-	-	
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	-	6,786,876	6,287,976	6,853,540	
Investments accounted for using the equity							
method	231,601	324,257	288,325	-	-	-	
Deferred tax assets	2,147,409	708,791	1,128,036	-	-	-	
Other financial assets at amortized cost	194	-	196	-	-	-	
Total non-current assets	26,263,661	24,135,195	25,677,931	6,786,876	6,287,976	6,853,540	
Current assets							
Inventories	7,140,018	14,260,419	11,761,008	-	-	-	
Trade and other receivables	10,422,219	14,865,722	9,844,991	156	1,309,738	14,701	
Other assets	4,452,187	1,582,434	3,708,927		_,,		
Income tax receivables	129,062	7,262	49,378	-	-	-	
Derivative financial instruments		-	439,129	-	-	-	
Other financial assets at amortized cost	292,926	-	310,550	-	-	-	
Cash and cash equivalents	2,958,045	5,113,315	3,906,000	14,745	9,441	8,804	
Total current assets		35,829,153				23,505	
	25,394,457 51,658,118	59,964,348	30,019,983 55,697,914	14,901 6,801,777	1,319,179 7,607,155	6,877,045	
Total assets	51,050,110	39,904,340	55,097,914	0,801,777	7,007,155	0,077,045	
EQUITY							
Stated capital	5,780,679	5,754,575	5,754,575	5,780,679	5,754,575	5,754,575	
Retained earnings / (accumulated losses)			(1,534,488)				
5, ((8,022,613)	1,384,300		(2,308,064)	(2,290,302)	(2,300,839)	
Other reserves	778,937 5,914,246	135,326 7,445,846	801,331 6,120,591	92,618 3,189,581	109,241 4,000,961	115,012	
Exchange equalization reserve	5,914,240	7,773,070	0,120,391	3,109,301	4,000,901	3,259,771	
Capital and reserves attributable to	4 451 240	14 720 047	11 142 000	6 764 014	7 574 475	6 929 E10	
owners of the Company	4,451,249	14,720,047	11,142,009	6,754,814	7,574,475	6,828,519	
Non-controlling interests	410,293	257,150	316,391		-	6 000 510	
Total equity	4,861,542	14,977,197	11,458,400	6,754,814	7,574,475	6,828,519	
LIABILITIES							
Non-current liabilities							
Borrowings	4,249,908	2,256,366	1,804,131	-	-	-	
Deferred tax liabilities	1,531,598	1,481,489	1,613,979	-	-	-	
Lease liabilities	2,184,708	998,189	2,134,142	-	-	-	
Employee benefit obligations	549,993	592,596	536,101	-	-	-	
Total non-current liabilities	8,516,207	5,328,640	6,088,353	-	-	-	
Current liabilities							
Trade and other payables	10,796,177	9,792,350	12,106,756	46,380	32,680	47,935	
Lease liabilities	512,074	162,310	648,353		-	-	
	330,250	5,810		583	-	590	
Income tax liabilities Borrowings	26,641,868	29,698,041	24,231 25,371,821		-	1	
Total current liabilities	38,280,369	39,658,511	38,151,161	46,963	32,680	48,526	
Total liabilities	46,796,576	44,987,151	44,239,514	46,963	32,680	48,526	
Total liabilities	51,658,118	59,964,348	55,697,914	6,801,777	7,607,155	6,877,045	
	LKR	LKR	LKR	LKR	LKR	LKR	
Net assets per share	3.38	11.24	8.51	5.13	5.78	5.21	

I certify that these financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the Companies Act, No. 07 of 2007.

Sgd. Group Chief Financial Officer Date: 13th February 2024

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and presentation of these financial statements. Approved and signed for and on behalf of the Board of Directors.

Sgd. Director Date: 13th February 2024 Sgd. Director Date: 13th February 2024

Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity

(All amounts are in Sri Lankan Rupees Thousands)

Group

	Attributable to owners of the Company						
	Stated capital	Retained earnings	Other reserves	Exchange equalization reserve	Total	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
Balance at 1 April 2022	5,730,537	2,281,166	141,032	4,827,165	12,979,900	150,522	13,130,422
Profit for the year	-	(886,879)	-	-	(886,879)	106,628	(780,251)
Other comprehensive income	-	(9,987)	-	2,618,681	2,608,694	-	2,608,694
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(896,866)	-	2,618,681	1,721,815	106,628	1,828,443
Employee share option plan - value of employee services	-	-	18,332	-	18,332	-	18,332
Issue of shares under Employees Share Ownership Plan	24,038	-	(24,038)	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2022	5,754,575	1,384,300	135,326	7,445,846	14,720,047	257,150	14,977,197
Balance at 1 April 2023	5,754,575	(1,534,488)	801,331	6,120,591	11,142,009	316,391	11,458,400
Profit/ (loss) for the Period	-	(6,488,125)	-	-	(6,488,125)	93,902	(6,394,223)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	(206,345)	(206,345)	-	(206,345)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(6,488,125)	-	(206,345)	(6,694,470)	93,902	(6,600,568)
Employee share option plan - value of employee services	-	-	3,710	-	3,710	-	3,710
Issue of shares under Employees Share Ownership Plan	26,104	-	(26,104)	-	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2023	5,780,679	(8,022,613)	778,937	5,914,246	4,451,249	410,293	4,861,542

Condensed Statement of Changes in Equity

(All amounts are in Sri Lankan Rupees Thousands)

Company

	Stated capital	Share based payments	Retained earnings /(accumulated losses)	Exchange equalization reserve	Total
Balance at 1 April 2022	5,730,537	114,947	(1,488,118)	2,545,311	6,902,677
	5,750,557	111,517	(1,100,110)	2,515,511	0,502,077
Loss for the year	-	-	(802,184)	-	(802,184)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	1,455,650	1,455,650
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	(802,184)	1,455,650	653,466
Issue of shares under Employees Share Ownership Plan	-	18,332	-	-	18,332
Employee share option plan - value of employee services	24,038	(24,038)	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2022	5,754,575	109,241	(2,290,302)	4,000,961	7,574,475
Balance at 1 April 2023	5,754,575	115,012	(2,300,839)	3,259,771	6,828,519
Loss for the year	-	-	(7,225)	-	(7,225)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-	(70,190)	(70,190)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	-	(7,225)	(70,190)	(77,415)
Employee share option plan	-	3,710	-	-	3,710
Issue of shares under Employees Share Ownership Scheme	26,104	(26,104)	-	-	-
Balance at 31 December 2023	5,780,679	92,618	(2,308,064)	3,189,581	6,754,814

Condensed Statement of Cash Flows

Nine months ended 31 DecemberNine months ended 31 DecemberNine months ended 31 December202320222023Profit / (loss) before income tax from continuing operations(7,283,902)(543,558)(7,225)Adjustments for: Depreciation and amortization1,047,656595,433-Net interest expenses2,932,4162,446,600(65)Retirement benefits obligations provision120,98199,415-Share based payment expenses3,71063,009-Share of loss from joint Ventures54,25595-	
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Changes in working capital	-
Changes in working capital	-
- (Increase) / decrease in inventories 4,455,189 1,447,513 -	
- (Increase) / decrease in trade and other receivables (776,766) 3,607,148 14,545	3,351,207
- Increase / (decrease) in trade and other payables (1,174,986) (3,197,149) (1,563)	-
Cash (used in) / generated from operations (621,447) 4,518,506 5,692	2,546,203
Retirement benefits obligations paid (101,776) (26,793) -	-
Income tax paid (199,445) (22,915) -	-
Interest paid (2,965,618) (2,476,917) -	-
Net cash (outflow) / inflow from operating activities (3,888,286) 1,991,881 5,692	2,546,203
Cash flows from investing activities	
Net movement of property, plant and equipment and intangible	
assets (612,685) (1,023,412) -	-
Interest received 33,202 30,318 65	2,820
Investments made in joint ventures	(3,859,916)
Investments made in subsidiaries	-
Net cash (outflow) / inflow from investing activities (579,483) (993,094) 65	(3,857,096)
Cash flows from financing activities	
Principal elements of lease payments (386,079) (33,491) -	_
Principal elements of lease payments (386,079) (33,491) - Net borrowings 3,955,093 (2,299,945) -	- (13,044)
Net cash inflow / (outflow) from financing activities 3,569,014 (2,333,436) -	(13,044)
Net increase/ (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents (898,755) (1,334,649) 5,757	(1,323,937)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period 3,906,000 5,244,151 8,804	1,115,481
Currency translation differences (49,200) 1,203,813 184	217,897
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the Period 2,958,045 5,113,315 14,745	9,441

Notes to the Financial Statements

(All amounts are shown in Sri Lankan Rupees Thousands unless otherwise stated)

1 Operating segments

(i) Description of segments and principal activities

The Group's internal organization and management is structured based on segments which are determined based on the Group's geographical spread of operations, similarity in nature, process, risks and returns. The geographical analysis of turnover and profits is based on location of customers and assets respectively. The group has now organized its business units into two reportable operating segments based on their geographical spread as follows:

(ii) Summarized statement of comprehensive income for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

	Sri Lankan Region		African Region		Consolidated	
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Revenue	12,403,163	17,864,484	1,890,170	3,886,208	14,293,333	21,750,692
Gross profit	803,685	3,445,707	390,069	(461,537)	1,193,754	2,984,170
Operating expenses	(1,608,442)	(3,267,048)	(698,329)	(244,023)	(2,306,771)	(3,511,071)
Operating (loss)/ profit	(1,150,482)	250,769	210,936	(679,415)	(939,546)	(428,646)
Net finance cost	(809,572)	(884,162)	(223,195)	(189,190)	(1,032,767)	(1,073,352)
Profit before taxation	(1,969,787)	(633,521)	(12,259)	(926,706)	(1,982,046)	(1,560,227)
Income tax credit/ (charge)	141,917	(128,035)	-	-	141,917	(128,035)
(Loss)/ profit for the year	(1,827,870)	(761,556)	(12,259)	(926,706)	(1,840,129)	(1,688,262)

(iii) Summarized statement of financial position as on 31.12.2023

	Sri Lankan	Sri Lankan Region		African Region		ated
	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
ASSETS						
Non-current assets	24,605,046	21,123,239	1,658,616	3,011,957	26,263,661	24,135,195
Current assets	17,622,710	19,220,222	7,771,747	16,608,931	25,394,457	35,829,153
Total assets	42,227,756	40,343,461	9,430,363	19,620,888	51,658,118	59,964,348
LIABILITIES						
Non-current liabilities	5,290,157	4,990,415	3,226,049	338,225	8,516,207	5,328,640
Current liabilities	33,377,761	21,819,018	4,902,607	17,839,493	38,280,369	39,658,511
Total liabilities	38,667,918	26,809,433	8,128,656	18,177,718	46,796,576	44,987,151

2 General information

Hela Apparel Holdings PLC is engaged in providing consultancy and support services to group companies. The Group is engaged in the manufacture of apparel for export markets and in providing front-end services to foreign customers. The Company is a public limited liability company incorporated on 11 October 2018 and listed on the Colombo Stock Exchange on 7 February 2022. It is domiciled in Sri Lanka and bears the registration number PQ00205151 under the Companies Act No.07 of 2007. The address of the registered office and the principal place of the business is, No 35 Balapokuna Road, Colombo 06, Sri Lanka.

3 Basis of preparation

The condensed interim financial statements for the period ended 31 December 2023 of the Company and the Group have been prepared in accordance with Sri Lanka Accounting Standard LKAS 34, 'Interim Financial Reporting'. The condensed interim financial statements should be read in conjunction with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

4 Accounting policies

Accounting policies adopted are consistent with those used in the consolidated financial statements of Hela Apparel Holdings PLC for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Notes to the Financial Statements

5 Contingent liabilities

Determination of the treatment of contingent liabilities in the financial statements is based on the management's view of the expected outcome of the applicable contingency. The Company consults with legal counsel (lawyers) on matters related to litigation and other experts both within and outside the Company with respect to the matters in the ordinary course of business.

The following are the corporat	e quarantees provided l	ov the Compan	v and its subsidiaries a	as of 31 December 2023.

Liability Due by	Guarantee or contingent liability taken on behalf of	Financial Institution	Nature of the liability	Amount (LKR Mn)
		NDB	Corporate Guarantee - USD	323.92
		POC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	1,295.69
	Lists Tourston out Listellings	BOC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	1,943.54
Foundation Garments	Hela Investment Holdings	HNB	Corporate Guarantee - USD	147.71
		DFCC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	1,295.69
		NTB	Corporate Guarantee - USD	2,429.42
	Hela Clothing Egypt	NDB	Corporate Guarantee - USD	323.92
Foundation Garments and	lation Garments and		Corporate Guarantee - USD	1,619.62
Hela Intimates EPZ	Hela Investment Holdings	Norfund	Corporate Guarantee - USD	4,534.93
-	Foundation Garments	NDB	Corporate Guarantee - USD	3,182.22
		DFCC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
Hela Apparel Holdings Hela (DFCC	Corporate Guarantee - LKR	1,200.00
		NDB	Corporate Guarantee - LKR	1,260.00
	Hela Clothing	Commercial Bank	Corporate Guarantee - USD	323.92
		HNB	Corporate Guarantee - USD	1,004.16
		NTB	Corporate Guarantee - LKR	2,500.00
		Sampath Bank	Corporate Guarantee - USD	323.92
		Commercial Bank	Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
			Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
		DECC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
	Foundation Garments	DFCC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	2,267.46
Units Clathing			Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
Hela Clothing			Corporate Guarantee - USD	3,401.19
		BOC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	74.50
			Corporate Guarantee - LKR	25.00
			Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
	Hela Investment Holdings	BOC	Corporate Guarantee - USD	971.77
			Corporate Guarantee - USD	323.92
Hela Clothing and Hela	Foundation Componi-	Deenles Denly	Corporate Guarantee - USD	2,105.50
Apparel Holdings	Foundation Garments	Peoples Bank	Corporate Guarantee - LKR	300.00

6 Going concern

The Directors have made an assessment of the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and are satisfied that it has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future.

In determining the basis of preparing the financial statements for the quarter ended 31 December 2023, based on available information, the management has assessed the existing and anticipated effects of the prevailing economic conditions in Sri Lanka on the Group and the appropriateness of the use of the going concern basis.

To counter the effects of both events, the Group has evaluated the resilience of its businesses considering a wide range of factors under multiple stress tested scenarios relating to expected revenue streams, cost management, and the ability to defer non-essential capital expenditure. The Group's current reserves and financing facilities are sufficient to ensure the continuation of the business and the management believes that additional cost savings and cash conservation measures where needed will secure the Group's ability to continue as a going concern.

The Management has also assessed any specific impacts arising from the prevailing economic conditions in Sri Lanka on the operations and financial position of the business. Since the Group earns its revenues in US dollars from production and export of apparel to markets in the US and Europe and has a significant portion of its manufacturing operations located outside of Sri Lanka, it is the management's view that the Group is not significantly exposed to the prevailing economic conditions in Sri Lanka in a manner that would impact its ability to continue as a going concern.

Furthermore, the Management is not aware of any other material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. Therefore, the Financial Statements continue to be prepared on a going concern basis.

Notes to the Financial Statements

7 Investments in joint ventures

	2023
	(LKR' 000)
At 1 April 2023	288,325
Acquisition	-
Share of (loss) / profit	(54,255)
Exchange equalization reserve	(2,469)
At 31 December 2023	231,601

Nature of investment in joint ventures;

Name of entity	Place of business /country	Level of
	of incorporation	ownership
Sumbiri Intimate Apparel Private Limited	Ethiopia	Indirect
Safeguard Workwear EPZ Limited	Кепуа	Direct

Hela Investment Holdings Limited, an indirect subsidiary of the Company, has acquired 27% shareholding of Sumbiri Intimate Apparel Private Limited Company ("the JV company") as at 31 December 2023. Foundation Garments (Private) Limited (Indirect Subsidiary) jointly operates and manages the JV company with the other shareholders. According to the joint venture agreement, Hela Investment Holdings Limited is to increase the investment in share capital of the JV company up to 50%. Sumbiri Intimate Apparel (Private) Limited is identified as a joint venture investment based on the joint control clauses in the JV agreement.

Hela Apparel Holdings PLC holds 50% shareholding of Safeguard Workwear EPZ Limited ("the JV company") as at 31 December 2023. The Group jointly operates and manages the JV company with the other shareholders. According to the joint venture agreement, Safeguard Workwear EPZ Limited is identified as a joint venture investment based on the joint control clauses in the JV agreement.

8 Comparatives

Comparative figures, where necessary, have been adjusted to conform with the changes in presentation in the current period.

9 Seasonal or cyclical factors affecting the Group

The operations of the Group were not significantly affected by any seasonal or cyclical factors.

10 Estimates

The preparation of condensed interim financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

There were no changes in estimates and assumptions used in prior financial periods that may have a material effect in the current quarter and for the financial period to date.

In preparing the condensed interim financial statements, the significant judgments made by management in applying the Group's accounting policies and the sources of estimates uncertainty are consistent with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

11 Stated capital

		Company			
	31 December 2023	31 December 2022	31 December 2023	31 December 2022	
	Number of shares	Number of shares	Value (LKR' 000)	Value (LKR' 000)	
Ordinary Voting Shares	1,317,381,560	1,309,955,933	5,780,679	5,754,575	
	1,317,381,560	1,309,955,933	5,780,679	5,754,575	

Notes to the Financial Statements

11 Stated capital (Contd.)

(i) Movement in ordinary shares:

	Number of shares	Value (LKR' 000)
Opening balance 1 April 2022	1,303,117,944	5,730,537
Share issue related to Employee Share Ownership Plan	6,837,989	24,038
Balance 31 December 2022	1,309,955,933	5,754,575
Opening balance 1 April 2023	1,309,955,933	5,754,575
Share issue related to Employee Share Ownership Plan	7,425,627	26,104
Balance 31 December 2023	1,317,381,560	5,780,679

12 Earnings per share

The diluted earnings per share is the same as the basic earnings per share.

13 Net Assets per share

Net assets as at a particular financial period ended divided by the number of shares in issue as at the current period end.

Grou	ίΡ.	Compar	ny	
31 December 2023	31 December 2022	31 December 2023	31 December 2022	
4,451,249	14,720,047	6,754,814	7,574,475	
1,317,381,560	1,309,955,933	1,317,381,560	1,309,955,933	
3.38	11.24	5.13	5.78	
	4,451,249 1,317,381,560	4,451,249 14,720,047 1,317,381,560 1,309,955,933	1,317,381,560 1,309,955,933 1,317,381,560	31 December 2023 31 December 2022 31 December 2023 31 December 2023 2022 4,451,249 14,720,047 6,754,814 7,574,475 1,317,381,560 1,309,955,933 1,317,381,560 1,309,955,933

14 Other reserves

The following table shows a breakdown of the balance sheet line item 'other reserves' and the movements in these reserves during the period.

	Revaluation reserve	Share based payment reserve	Other reserves	Total
	(LKR'000)	(LKR'000)	(LKR'000)	(LKR'000)
Balance at 1 April 2023	655,794	115,012	30,525	801,331
Employees Share Ownership Scheme	-	3,710	-	3,710
Issue of shares under Employees Share Ownership Scheme	-	(26,104)	-	(26,104)
Balance at 31 December 2023	655,794	92,618	30,525	778,937

Notes to the Financial Statements

15 Effect of changes in composition of the Group

Hela Brands Limited was incorporated as a wholly-owned sub-subsidiary of Hela Apparel Holdings PLC on 8 December 2023 for the purpose of undertaking the acquisition mentioned in Note 16. There have been no other changes in the composition of the Group as disclosed in the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023 and the interim financial statements for the quarter ended 30 September 2023.

16 Events after reporting period

On 24 January 2024, Hela Brands Limited, a wholly-owned sub-subsidiary of Hela Apparel Holdings PLC, entered into a share sale and purchase agreement with JD Sports Fashion PLC to acquire 100% shareholding of Focus Brands Limited for a total consideration of GBP 8,000,000 (LKR 2,034 Mn).

17 Presentation currency

Transactions measured in US Dollars are translated to Sri Lankan Rupees based on the Sri Lanka Accounting Standard 21, "The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates", as follows:

- (a) Assets and Liabilities presented including comparatives are translated at the closing rate existed at the date of each balance sheet presented.
- (b) Income and expense items for all periods presented (i.e. including comparatives) are translated at the period average exchange rate applicable for respective periods.
- (c) Share capital is translated at the exchange rate existing at the date of transaction.
- (d) All resulting exchange differences are recognized in equity under exchange equalization reserves.

18 Fair values of other financial instruments

The Group also has a number of financial instruments which are not measured at fair value in the balance sheet. The Group has trade receivables, trade payables and borrowings as financial instruments. The fair values are not materially different to their carrying amounts, since the interest receivable/payable is either close to the current market rates or the instruments are short-term in nature.

19 Market Price Per Share

	2023	2022
Market Value of Shares		
Last trading price on 31 December (LKR)	5.00	8.50
Highest Price During the Quarter Ended 31 December (LKR)	6.40	12.00
Lowest Price During the Quarter Ended 31 December (LKR)	4.70	8.30
Market Capitalization on 31 December (LKR 000')	6,586,907,800	11,134,625,431
Ratios		
Net Asset Per Share of the Group on 31 December (LKR)	3.38	11.24
Share Trading		
No of Transactions During the Quarter Ended 31 December 2023	3,289	5,024
No of Shares Traded During the Quarter Ended 31 December 2023	20,457,497	7,309,547
Value of Shares Traded During the Quarter Ended 31 December 2023 (LKR 000')	116,142,085	71,886,854
Number of Shares	1,317,381,560	1,309,955,933

Notes to the Financial Statements

20 Public Holdings as at 31 December 2023

Public Holding as at 31 December	2023	2022
Issued Share Capital (No. of Shares)	1,317,381,560	1,309,955,933
Public Holding as a % of Issued Share Capital	22.67%	22.71%
Total Number of Shareholders	13,955	14,687
Number of Shareholders representing the Public Holding	13,936	14,667

Minimum Public Holding Requirement as per Listing Rules 7.13.1

	Float Adjusted Market	Public Holding	No of
	Capitalization - (LKR)	Percentage	Shareholders
Minimum Public Holding as at 31 December 2023	1,493,251,998	22.67%	13,936

The Company complies with the Minimum Public Holding required of the Main Board as per Option 5 of Section 7.13.1 (a) of the CSE Listing Rules

21 Shareholder Information

l ict /	of 20 Major Shareholders as at 31 December 2023	2023	
	of 20 Major Shareholders as at 31 December 2025	No. of Shares	%
		614 256 056	46.62
1	Lesing Hela Limited	614,256,956	46.63
2	Tars Investments Lanka (Pvt) Ltd.	229,862,259	17.45
3	Mr. P.L.D. Jinadasa	138,931,300	10.55
4	Mr. D.E.H. Mcvey	30,598,973	2.32
5	David Pieris Holdings (Private) Limited	29,785,156	2.26
6	Citibank Newyork S/A Norges Bank Account 2	28,116,708	2.13
7	Hatton National Bank PLC/Sri Dhaman Rajendram Arudpragasam	16,260,071	1.23
8	Magna Wealth (Pvt) Ltd.	11,223,891	0.85
9	Deutsche Bank AG as Trustee To Assetline Income Plus Growth Fund	10,027,589	0.76
10	Mr. R.S.P. Amaratunga	5,007,961	0.38
11	Mr. D.M. Beruwalage	4,361,600	0.33
12	Union Assurance PLC-Universal Life Fund	4,357,515	0.33
13	Mr. P.S.V. Fernando	4,303,743	0.33
14	Mr. A.R. Rasiah	4,273,743	0.32
15	DFCC Bank PLC A/C NO.02	4,000,000	0.30
16	California Link (Private) Limited	3,990,000	0.30
17	Mrs. W.T.S.G. De Silva	3,205,306	0.24
18	Mr. Y.C. Samarajeewa	3,058,308	0.23
19	Bank of Ceylon A/C Ceybank Unit Trust	2,945,200	0.22
20	Mr. W.A.R Gunawardhana	2,831,355	0.21
		1,151,397,634	87.37
		2023	2022
Dire	ctors' Shareholding as at 31 December 2023	No. of Shares	No. of Shares

Directors' Direct Shareholding		
Mr. P.L.D. Jinadasa (Group CEO)	138,931,300	137,276,656
Mr. A.R. Rasiah (Chairman)	4,273,743	4,273,743
Ms. T.S. Peries	57,400	57,400
	143,262,443	141,607,799

Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss

(All amounts are in US Dollars Thousands)

	Gro	up	Comp	any
	Quarter ended	31 December	Quarter ended 31 December	
	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)	2023 (Unaudited)	2022 (Unaudited)
Revenue from contracts with customers	43,716	59,898	-	-
Cost of sales	(40,065)	(51,680)	-	-
Gross profit	3,651	8,218	-	-
Distribution costs	(955)	(3,083)	-	-
Administrative costs	(6,101)	(6,586)	(7)	(9)
Other income	419	403	-	-
Other gains / (losses) - net	111	(133)	-	-
Operating loss	(2,875)	(1,181)	(7)	(9)
Finance income	54	48	-	-
Finance costs	(3,213)	(3,004)	-	-
Finance (costs) / income - net	(3,159)	(2,956)	-	-
Share of loss of equity accounted investee, net of tax	(30)	(160)	-	-
Loss before income tax	(6,064)	(4,297)	(7)	(9)
Income tax (expense)/ reversal	434	(353)	-	-
Loss for the period	(5,630)	(4,650)	(7)	(9)
Profit / (loss) is attributable to:				
Owners of the Company	(5,749)	(4,638)	(7)	(9)
Non-controlling interests	119	(12)	-	_
Loss for the period	(5,630)	(4,650)	(7)	(9)

Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income

(All amounts are in US Dollars Thousands)

	Gro	up	Company Quarter ended 31 December		
	Quarter ended	31 December			
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Loss for the period	(5,630)	(4,650)	(7)	(9)	
Other comprehensive income:					
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss					
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(29)	(824)	-	-	
Remeasurement of deferred tax due to changes in tax rates		(28)			
Other comprehensive loss for the period, net of tax	(29)	(852)	-	-	
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(5,659)	(5,502)	(7)	(9)	

Condensed Statement of Profit or Loss (All amounts are in US Dollars Thousands)

	Group		Company			
	Nine months ende	d 31 December	Nine months ended 31 December			
	2023	2022	2023	2022		
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)		
Revenue from contracts with customers	151,306	211,266	-	-		
Cost of sales	(139,953)	(178,808)	-	-		
Gross profit	11,353	32,458	-	-		
Distribution costs	(4,840)	(10,639)	-	-		
Administrative costs	(21,662)	(17,864)	(23)	(23)		
Other income	663	1,128	-	-		
Other gains / (losses) - net	1,085	495	-	(2,261)		
Operating profit / (loss)	(13,401)	5,578	(23)	(2,284)		
Finance income	104	86	-	8		
Finance costs	(9,248)	(7,026)	-	-		
Finance (costs) / income - net	(9,144)	(6,940)	-	8		
Share of loss of equity accounted investee, net of tax	(169)	(179)	-	-		
Loss before income tax	(22,714)	(1,541)	(23)	(2,276)		
Income tax (expense)/ reversal	2,774	(671)	-	-		
Loss for the period	(19,940)	(2,212)	(23)	(2,276)		
Drafit / (laca) ia attributable ta :						
Profit / (loss) is attributable to:						
Owners of the Company	(20,233)	(2,514)	(23)	(2,276)		
Non-controlling interests	293	302		-		
Loss for the period	(19,940)	(2,212)	(23)	(2,276)		

Condensed Statement of Comprehensive Income

(All amounts are in US Dollars Thousands)

	Group		Company		
	Nine months ende	d 31 December	Nine months ended 31 December		
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	
Loss for the period	(19,940)	(2,212)	(23)	(2,276)	
Other comprehensive income:					
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss					
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	(74)	(478)	-	-	
Remeasurement of deferred tax due to increase in tax rate on revaluation		(28)			
Other comprehensive loss for the period, net of tax	(74)	(506)	-	-	
Total comprehensive loss for the period	(20,014)	(2,718)	(23)	(2,276)	

Condensed Statement of Financial Position

(All amounts are in US Dollars Thousands)

	Group			Company			
	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.2023	31.12.2023	31.12.2022	31.03.2023	
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)	
ASSETS							
Non-current assets							
Property, plant and equipment	27,207	23,477	27,505	-	-	-	
Investment property	1,710	1,505	1,710	-	-	-	
Right-of-use assets	8,257	2,184	8,379	-	-	-	
Intangible assets	36,560	36,457	36,536	-	-	-	
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	-	20,952	17,317	20,941	
Investments accounted for using the equity method	715	893	881	-	-	-	
Deferred tax assets	6,629	1,952	3,447	-	-	-	
Other financial assets at amortized cost	1	-	1	-	-	-	
Total non-current assets	81,079	66,468	78,459	20,952	17,317	20,941	
Current assets							
Inventories	22,042	39,273	35,935	-	-	-	
Trade and other receivables	32,175	35,682	30,081	-	3,607	45	
Other assets	13,745	9,616	11,332	-	-	-	
Income tax receivables	398	20	151	-	-	-	
Derivative financial instruments	-	-	1,342	-	-	-	
Other financial assets at amortized cost	904	-	949	-	-	-	
Cash and cash equivalents	9,132	14,082	11,935	46	26	27	
Total current assets	78,396	98,673	91,725	46	3,633	72	
Total assets	159,475	165,141	170,184	20,998	20,950	21,013	
EQUITY							
Stated capital	29,742	29,548	29,663	29,742	29,548	29,663	
Retained earnings / (accumulated losses)	(20,010)	9,201	412	(9,417)	(9,267)	(9,395)	
Other reserves	2,705	706	2,583	528	579	596	
Exchange equalization reserve	810	488	885	-	-	-	
Capital and reserves attributable to owners of the							
Company	13,247	39,943	33,543	20,853	20,860	20,864	
Non-controlling interests	1,761	1,304	1,468	-	-	-	
Total equity	15,008	41,247	35,011	20,853	20,860	20,864	
LIABILITIES							
Non-current liabilities							
Borrowings	13,120	6,214	5,512	-	-	-	
Deferred tax liabilities	4,728	4,080	4,931	-	-	-	
Lease liabilities	6,745	2,749	6,521	-	-	-	
Employee benefit obligations	1,698	1,632	1,638	-	-	-	
Total non-current liabilities	26,291	14,675	18,602	-	-	-	
Current liabilities							
Trade and other payables	33,328	26,968	36,991	143	90	147	
Lease liabilities	1,581	447	1,981		-	-	
Income tax liabilities	1,020	16	77	2	-	2	
Borrowings	82,247	81,788	77,522		-	-	
Total current liabilities	118,176	109,219	116,571	145	90	149	
Total liabilities	144,467	123,894	135,173	145	90	149	
Total equity and liabilities	159,475	165,141	170,184	20,998	20,950	21,013	
	133,4/3	105,141	170,104	20,990	20,930	21,013	

CORPORATE INFORMATION

NAME OF COMPANY

Hela Apparel Holdings PLC

LEGAL FORM

Public Limited Liability Company Incorporated under the Companies Act No.7 of 2007

DATE OF INCORPORATION

11 October 2018

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER PQ00205151

ACCOUNTING YEAR END

31 March

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY OF THE COMPANY

Providing consultancy and support services to group companies.

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PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GROUP

Manufacture of apparel for export markets and provision of front-end services to foreign customers

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DIRECT SUBSIDIARY

Hela Clothing (Private) Limited

INDIRECT SUBSIDIARIES

Foundation Garments (Private) Limited F D N Sourcing (Private) Limited Jinadasa Bennett (Private) Limited Foundation Bennett (Private) Limited Alpha Textiles (Private) Limited Hela Investment Holdings Limited Hela Indochine Apparel Private Limited Company Hela Intimates EPZ Limited Hela USA, Inc. Hela Clothing Egypt SAE Hela Brands Limited

JOINT VENTURES

Sumbiri Intimate Apparel Private Limited Company Safeguard Workwear EPZ Limited

BANKERS

Absa Bank Kenya PLC Bank of Ceylon Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC Commercial Bank of Ethiopia DFCC Bank PLC Equity Bank Kenya Limited Hatton National Bank PLC National Bank of Egypt National Development Bank PLC Nations Trust Bank PLC People's Bank Sampath Bank PLC Standard Chartered Bank PLC Qatar National Bank Afrasia Bank Limited

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS DISCLOSURE

These interim condensed financial statements contain certain forwardlooking statements, which are provided for the purpose of presenting information about the management's current expectations and plans. Forward-looking statements are predictive in nature, depend upon or refer to future events or conditions, and may include words such as "expect", "anticipate", "intend", "may", "plan to", "believe", "could" and similar terms or variations of such terms. However, these words are not the exclusive means of identifying forward looking statements. As such, all statements pertaining to the expected financial position, business strategy, plans and prospects of the Hela Group are classified as forwardlooking statements.

Such forward looking statements are based upon the management's current reasonable expectations and assumptions, and are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors including, but not limited to, regulatory changes in the sectors in which the Group operates and its ability to respond to them, the Group's ability to successfully adapt to technological changes, exposure to market risks, exchange rate volatility, general economic and fiscal policies in the countries that the Group operates in, inflationary pressures, the performance of financial markets both globally and locally, changes in domestic and foreign laws, regulation of taxes and changes in competition in the industry and further uncertainties that may or may not be in the control of the Group. Other specific risks are noted in Section 3.6.1. of the Prospectus for the Initial Public Offering of the Company.

Such factors may cause actual results, performance and achievements to materially differ from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by forward looking statements herein. Given the risks and uncertainties that may cause the Group's actual future results, performance or achievements to materially differ from that expected, expressed or implied by forward looking statements in these financial statements, investors are advised not to place sole reliance on such statements. The Company also undertakes no obligations to update forward looking statements if circumstances or management assessments changes as a result of such factors, except as required by applicable laws and regulations.



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