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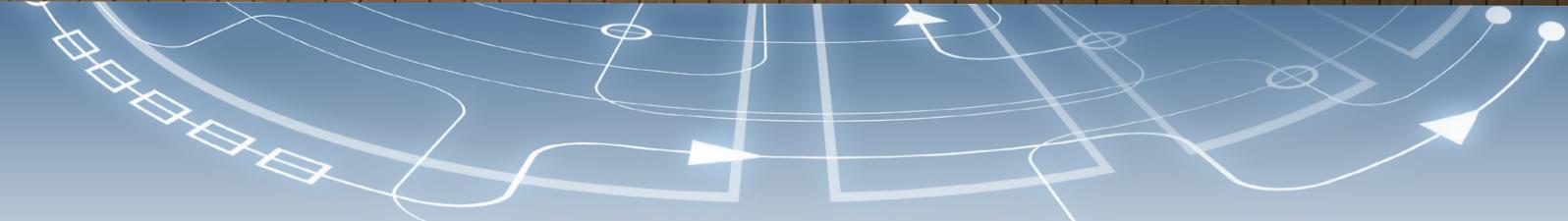
海爾智家股份有限公司

Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd.

(A joint stock company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

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CORPORATE PROFILE

We are a leader in the global major home appliance industry. According to the data from Euromonitor, we ranked first in the major home appliance industry in the world in terms of retail volume of major home appliances for 13 consecutive years. We have a global portfolio of home appliance brands consisting of Haier, Casarte, Leader, GE Appliances, Candy, Fisher & Paykel and AQUA. Our Haier brand refrigeration appliances and laundry appliances also ranked first among major home appliance brands in the world in terms of retail volume for 15 and 14 consecutive years respectively. Currently, our business covered more than 160 countries and regions around the world including China, North America, Europe, South Asia and Southeast Asia, Australia and New Zealand, Japan, Middle East and Africa.

We are also a global pioneer in providing smart home solutions. Leveraging on our full-range home appliances products, according to Euromonitor, we are one of the first home appliance enterprises in the industry to launch smart home solutions, supported by the introduction of our cloud based platform that offers integrated smart home solutions covering various lifestyle scenarios. Centering on our interconnected home appliance products, and supported by Haier Smart Home App and Haier Smart Home Experiential Cloud Platform as well as our experience stores and franchised stores, we provide smart home solutions suited for various lifestyle scenarios for users to satisfy their pursuit for a better life.



CORPORATE INFORMATION



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Directors

- Mr. LI Huagang
(Chairman and Chief Executive Officer)
- Mr. GONG Wei
(appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)
- Mr. LIANG Haishan
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)
- Mr. XIE Juzhi
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)

Non-executive Directors

- Mr. YU Hon To, David
- Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun
- Ms. SHAO Xinzhi *(Vice Chairman)*
(appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)
- Mr. WU Changqi
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)
- Mr. LIN Sui
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)

Independent Non-executive Directors

- Mr. CHIEN Da-chun
- Mr. WONG Hak Kun
- Mr. LI Shipeng
- Mr. WU Qi

SUPERVISORS

- Mr. LIU Dalin
- Mr. YU Miao
- Ms. MA Yingjie

BOARD SECRETARY

Ms. LIU Xiaomei

PRINCIPAL BOARD COMMITTEES

Audit Committee

- Mr. WONG Hak Kun *(Committee Chairman)*
- Mr. CHIEN Da-chun
- Mr. YU Hon To, David
- Mr. WU Qi
- Ms. SHAO Xinzhi

Remuneration and Assessment Committee

- Mr. CHIEN Da-chun *(Committee Chairman)*
- Mr. LI Huagang
- Mr. LI Shipeng

Nomination Committee

- Mr. WU Qi *(Committee Chairman)*
- Mr. LI Huagang
- Mr. LI Shipeng

Strategy Committee

- Mr. LI Huagang *(Committee Chairman)*
- Mr. LI Shipeng
- Mr. WU Qi
- Mr. GONG Wei

Environmental, Social and Governance Committee

- Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun *(Committee Chairwoman)*
- Mr. CHIEN Da-chun
- Mr. GONG Wei

COMPANY SECRETARY

Mr. NG Chi Yin

LEGAL ADVISORS

As to PRC Law

Zhong Lun Law Firm

As to Hong Kong Law

Clifford Chance

PRINCIPAL BANKER

China Construction Bank Corporation

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FINANCIAL CALENDAR

Six-month interim period end : 30 June
Financial year end : 31 December

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LETTER TO SHAREHOLDERS



Haier Smart Home once again delivered our best ever results in 2022. Our global operating revenue grew to RMB243.485 billion, increased by 7.2% year on year. Net profit attributable to shareholders surged to RMB14.711 billion, increased by 12.5%. Haier Smart Home's core products were gaining grounds across major markets around the world.

As one of the Fortune 500 companies, Haier Smart Home is committed to meeting the expectations of our stakeholders on ESG practices by lowering carbon emissions through the lifetime of our products, advocating diversity and inclusion, implementing responsible sourcing, creating value in the interest of the society, and promoting sustainable corporate governance. Haier Smart Home continued to be named “Most Admired Company” by Fortune in 2022, and our subsidiary GE Appliances was once again certified as Great Place to Work in the US.

In 2022, unprecedented inflationary pressure in the US and looming energy crisis in Europe caused retraction in demand for home appliances; while our supply chain, distribution network, logistic operation and fulfilment system in the Company's biggest market were disrupted by public health emergency in the fourth quarter. What we have achieved in an extraordinary year like 2022 was truly remarkable, and it could only be made possible with winning spirit, shared goal and decisive actions from the entire organization in fulfilling our commitment to always prioritize consumer experience.



In taking on the role of Chairman of Haier Smart Home in June 2022, I have spent a great deal of time with our customers, employees, partners as well as Haier Group, amongst other shareholders. What has been reinforced is our stakeholders' shared expectation for Haier Smart Home to become a long-standing leader with sustainability that transcends the ups and downs in the economy. This requires Haier Smart Home to continue outperforming the industry in the next three years, in order to attract and retain talents, while creating greater value for shareholders and employees. During this time, we must be more efficient and transparent not only in the way we interact with our users, in the product we make and in the service we provide, but also in the business operations and supply chain system; we ought to become the elephant that can dance by being agile and embrace the latest technological development. In the next three years, Haier Smart Home will strengthen the foundation of our sustainable development. As a responsible corporate citizen of global influence, we remain committed to reducing carbon emissions in product design, manufacturing and recycling; building a sustainable and ethical supply chain; creating a workplace for our people to fulfil their dreams and realize individual value; eliminating bureaucracy and avoiding disorientation in processes. Across the globe, we will enhance our commitment to local communities, and strengthen our ties with the places where we operate.

Looking ahead, the abrupt reversal in globalisation and increasing financial volatility remain source of uncertainty during Haier Smart Home's global brand portfolio building. The way to success lies with placing users experience at the heart of our business while transforming ourselves by accelerating digitalisation and innovation.

The pandemic appears to be over, however lingering aftereffects such as lower labour participation rate and supply chain fragmentation will inevitably impact demand in home appliance and HVAC sectors, against this backdrop, quality growth is only made possible in countries with substantial domestic market, manufacturing scales and ample supply of engineering talents; and businesses that can achieve rapid profit growth are those with engaged workforce, production efficiency and consumer goodwill. Capitalising on our advantages in the world's largest home appliance market, efficient supply chain and engineering expertise in China, Haier Smart Home is in the best position to strengthen our global competitiveness as long as we drive innovation with technology, redefine experience with digitalization and manage the business with start-up sensibility.

The Internet of Things (IoT) and advancements in energy efficiency are two driving forces that will transform the industry. Harnessing these technologies is the focus of Haier Smart Home's future R&D. IoT technology gives home appliance businesses better consumer insights via interactive experience. After the initial configuration, home appliance businesses can accelerate product upgrades and improve algorithm to enhance user recognition based on feedback on product quality, functionality and scenario applications utilising sensors, user behaviour analysis and big data applications. In addition to the breakthrough in consumer robotics and smart lighting we made in 2022, future IoT development will focus on appliances for elderly, cleaning robots and whole house smart management systems.

In January 2023, the Company established a rotary compressor joint venture with Shanghai Highly, a leading manufacturer of residential compressors, to facilitate integrated R&D of our home air conditioning products. In addition, we consolidated leadership with air-sourced heat pump & solar water heater solutions designed to provide efficient alternative heating solutions for hotels, campuses and hospitals. Since 2006, we have been developing magnetic centrifugal chiller in Chinese market since 2006. Compared to MRV systems, this technology could increase COP/IPLV by 100% and we have been number one globally in magnetic chillers for five consecutive years. The Company has also developed air levitation centrifugal chiller and integrated energy management solutions, which will become solid foundation facilitating innovations in our global commercial HVAC business.



Aspired to be the global leader like refrigerator and washing machine businesses, our home and central air conditioner businesses ought to become the new pillar of future growth, while investments must continue in small appliance and kitchen appliance to grow R&D and supply chain competitiveness. We have established leadership in the more significant markets of China and the US, but our position and profitability demand further progress in other regions. The way forward is through relentless product innovation and brand building, during which process Haier Smart Home must remain committed to designing high quality and creative appliances that deliver user-centric experience. We must stay attuned to local markets and build a solid reputation with reliable and attentive services. This strategy also requires us to allocate our supply chain and distribution resource to cater for the characteristics of each product category, for instance, we do not necessarily have to make all of the small appliances in our own factories and digital applications online could be playing a more important role in marketing our small appliance.



The new generation of consumers is demanding personalised and customised scenarios that integrate appliances with home furnishings, thus unlocking significant business opportunities that inspired us to create scenario-based project of Three-Winged Bird, specializing in redefining in-store experience by creating immersive display of smart lighting, smart kitchen, smart air & temperature solution as well as water management, all of which could be mixed & matched to suit personal taste. More importantly, we would like this entire process to be efficient and transparent, and we are committed to being their trustworthy partner in creating the smart home experience right from the beginning.



It is rather lamentable that as companies grow bigger, they often lose touch with the latest trends and technological breakthroughs when the organization becomes too entwined with bureaucracy. In order to achieve long-standing prosperity, our next step is to make Haier a place that inspires young generation Z with dreams, to take pride in creating amazing value for our users, instead of burying their passion with frivolous details. Adopting a 'start-up' mindset is fundamental to the vitality of our organisation. We have initiated an internal debate trying to encourage practices that lead to operational excellence and eliminate those who don't. I would like our marketing department to look beyond sales figures, and spend more time with our customers and focus on their future prospects in Haier's ecosystem. I have tasked our product and scenario designers to better understand what end-users think of our products, and draw inspirations through user engagement. Decisions should be made based on critical consumer insights generated from sharing of market demand in a boundaryless organization. The next three years will see a determined drive to re-engineer the organisation, not only to improve operational efficiency, but to free up financial resources that will fuel investments in talents and technologies for the future.



I feel a great sense of responsibility during this turbulent time, a bold transformation is what will position Haier Smart Home better in value creation. Motivated by our winning spirit and guided by our goals, we look forward to embarking upon this exciting journey to a brighter future.

Once again, I would like to thank all our shareholders for your trust and support as we embrace a sustainable future together!

Li Huagang
Chairman

30 March 2023

DIRECTORS, SUPERVISORS AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The directors, supervisors and senior management of the Group during the year, and the directors at the reporting date are as follows:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. LI Huagang (“Mr. LI”), aged 53, has been an Executive Director of the Company since June 2019 and the Chief Executive Officer of the Company since April 2019. He has been appointed as the Chairman of the Board since 28 June 2022. Mr. Li graduated from Huazhong University of Science and Technology in Wuhan, the PRC in July 1991 with a Bachelor’s degree of Economics, and from China Europe International Business School in Shanghai, the PRC in January 2014 with a degree of Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA).

Mr. LI joined Haier in 1991 and served as the sales head of the Marketing and Promotion Division of Haier (海爾商流本部銷售事業部長) and the general manager of China operations of the Company. From August 2017 to March 2019, he served as the chief executive officer of Haier Electronics Group Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as “Haier Electronics”, a listed company of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Hong Kong Stock Exchange”), stock code: 1169 which was privatized and delisted on 23 December 2020). Since March 2019, he has been appointed as an executive director of Haier Electronics. Mr. LI has extensive experience in the fields of corporate management, marketing, brand operation, and global business operation. Mr. LI currently serves as a director of various subsidiaries of the Group.

Mr. LI vigorously promoted the change of the Company’s marketing channels and Casarte’s high-end brand strategy, which led to the increase in revenue of Haier Smart Home’s online and offline business; Mr. LI also actively led and implemented Haier Smart Home’s digital transformation strategy, promoting the Company’s cost optimization and operational efficiency improvement. In order to meet users’ needs for a better life upgrade from home appliances to smart home solutions, Mr. LI led and released the “Three-Winged Bird” scenario branding strategy to strengthen the construction of the Company’s IoT scenario and enhance the Company’s smart home scenario solution capability. In terms of global business operations, Mr. LI is actively involved in the management and operation of the Company’s overseas business, with significant operational results.

Mr. LI has been honored with the 2015 China Home Appliance Marketing Leader (2015年中國家電營銷領袖人物), the 2018 Outstanding Contribution Award for the Forty Years of China’s Household Appliance Industry Development (2018年中國家用電器行業發展四十年傑出貢獻獎), the 2019 China Top Ten Brand Person of the Year (2019中國十大品牌年度人物), and 2021 Taishan Industry Leading Talent.

Mr. GONG Wei (“Mr. GONG”), aged 48, Vice-president, has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company since 28 June 2022. He has been the Chief Financial Officer of the Company since January 2010 and a Vice General Manager of the Company since April 2013. Mr. GONG joined the Group in July 1994, and has held various positions, including successively serving as the head of finance of Haier Refrigerator Co., Ltd. from July 1994 to August 1999; the financial manager of Haier Northern China Business Development Division (海爾商流華北事業部) from August 1999 to March 2001; the chief financial officer of Haier White Goods Group (海爾白電集團) from April 2001 to June 2008. Mr. Gong currently serves as the director of various subsidiaries of the Group.

Mr. GONG obtained a degree of Executive Master of Business Administration from the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing, the PRC in December 2011. Mr. GONG was granted honorary titles such as “Labour Model of Qingdao City (2012–2014)” in 2015 and “National Outstanding Accounting Workers (全國優秀會計工作者)” in December 2005, and received several awards, including Top Ten CFOs in China by “New Money” Magazine (《新理財雜誌》) in April 2012, and 2020 International Finance Leaders of the Year in China. Mr. GONG was admitted as a fellow of The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants in March 2020.

Mr. LIANG Haishan (“Mr. LIANG”), aged 56, has been the Chairman of the Board since April 2013 and an Executive Director of the Company since June 2007. He has retired as an Executive Director and the Chairman of the Board since 28 June 2022.

Mr. LIANG also currently serves as the deputy chairman of the board of directors of Haier Group Corporation (and together with its subsidiaries hereafter “Haier Group”), president of Haier Group, and director of certain subsidiaries of Haier Group. He was appointed as a non-executive director of Haier Electronics since November 2009.

Mr. LIANG has over 20 years of experience in the manufacture of household electrical appliances, particularly in raw material procurement function and white goods business. His primary working experience includes: serving as the head of the quality department of Qingdao Haier Refrigerator Co., Ltd., our predecessor entity, from August 1993 to August 1994; serving as the general manager of Qingdao Haier Air Conditioner Gen Corp., Ltd. from October 1995 to August 1999; successively serving as an executive director of Haier Electronics from December 2001 to November 2009; serving as the Vice Chairman of the Board from June 2007 to April 2013; serving as the general manager of the Company from June 2007 to April 2019.

Mr. LIANG obtained a Bachelor’s degree of Industry, and a Master’s degree in Business Administration from Xi’an Jiaotong University in Xi’an, the PRC in July 1988 and December 2009, respectively. Mr. LIANG was named one of the Top 10 Leaders in China Strategic Emerging Industries (十大中國戰略性新興產業領軍人物獎) by China Strategic Emerging Industry Development Forum (中國戰略性新興產業發展論壇) in May 2012 and obtained the Outstanding Leadership Award of the National Light Industry Enterprise Information (全國輕工業企業信息化優秀領導獎) from the China Light Industry Federation (中國輕工業聯合會) in September 2012. He also received the Prize of Technology Advancement for China Household Appliances (中國家電科技進步獎) in October 2013, the 2017 Forbes China Best CEO of Listed Company (2017年福布斯中國上市公司最佳CEO) in July 2017, and the 2017 Taishan Industry Leading Talent of Shandong Province (2017年山東省泰山產業領軍人才) in December 2017.

Mr. XIE Juzhi (“Mr. XIE”), aged 56, has been appointed as an Executive Director of the Company since 5 March 2021. He has retired as an Executive Director of the Company since 28 June 2022. Mr. XIE graduated from Shandong University of Finance and Economics in July 1989 with a bachelor’s degree, and joined Haier Group Corporation in the same year. Mr. XIE has experience in whole-process product management, product-wide services and product-wide marketing. Mr. XIE had held senior positions in Electrothermal Division of the Haier Group Corporation and East China Marketing and Promotion Division of the Haier Group Corporation, and served as the Corporate General Manager of the Customer Services of the Haier Group Corporation since August 2002. Since July 2012, he has been the Vice President of Haier Group Corporation, and he has been in charge of Haier Group Corporation’s integration of community sales services in first and second-tier cities, and developing the online and offline sales of new household products. From December 2015, he has been managing the newly developed business segments of Haier Group Corporation, including water purification, logistics, Haier home and Gooday services and has started to concurrently manage the water heater business since 2019. Mr. XIE was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer and an Executive Director of Haier Electronics since March 2019. Since April 2021, he is responsible for supervising the smart living appliances segment. He is currently responsible for supervising the intelligent industrial platform. Mr. XIE currently serves as a director of various subsidiaries of our Group. Mr. XIE was awarded honorary titles including the Gold Award of Outstanding Contribution Award of China’s Home Appliance Services Industry (中國家電服務行業突出貢獻獎金獎) and Outstanding Entrepreneur of Shandong Province (山東省優秀企業家).

NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Ms. SHAO Xinzhi (“Ms. SHAO”), aged 52, has been appointed as a Non-executive Director of the Company and Vice Chairman of the Board since 28 June 2022. Ms. SHAO graduated from the University of International Business and Economics with a degree of Executive Master of Business Administration. She is currently the vice president and chief financial officer of Haier Group. Ms. SHAO adheres to the goal of innovation and value-enhancement, empowering the high-quality development of the industry, and comprehensively builds the group’s financial ecosystem through financial strategy formulation, financial system construction and operation, asset management, capital operation and other financial full value chain management. In 2000, Ms. SHAO served as the chief accountant of Haier Air Conditioning Division and the general manager of the strategy center of Haier Group’s financial management department. In 2007, Ms. SHAO established the first financial sharing center in the home appliance industry, pioneering the “cloud + end” financial management innovation model with Chinese characteristics to provide enterprises with comprehensive financial best solutions, becoming one of the industry benchmarks and winning the first prize of the National Enterprise Management Modernization Innovation Achievement. In 2019, Ms. SHAO was appointed as the vice president of Haier Group and the operator of the Big Sharing Empowerment Platform. In 2020, Ms. SHAO was appointed as vice president and chief financial officer of Haier Group. Ms. SHAO has been honored as “National Advanced Accounting Worker (全國先進會計工作者)”, “Qingdao Top Talent (青島市拔尖人才)”, “ACCA Outstanding Achievement Award (ACCA卓越成就獎)” and “IMA Outstanding Contribution Leader in Management Accounting (IMA管理會計卓越貢獻領袖)” over the years.

Mr. YU Hon To, David (“Mr. YU”), aged 75, has been appointed as a Non-executive Director of the Company since 5 March 2021. Mr. YU holds a Bachelor of Social Science degree from The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Mr. YU is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and an Associate Member of Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He is a chartered accountant with over 40 years’ experience in the fields of auditing, corporate finance (including advisory on IPO, mergers & acquisitions and financial restructuring), financial investigation and corporate governance. Mr. YU was formerly a partner of Coopers & Lybrand (now merged as PricewaterhouseCoopers) in Hong Kong with extensive experience in the corporate finance advisory assignments in Greater China for Hong Kong corporations, private equity groups and multinationals. Mr. YU also served as an independent non-executive director and the chairman of the audit committee of Haier Electronics, a subsidiary of the Company, till its privatization in December 2020.

Mr. YU had served various public offices including being a member of the Listing Committee of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange from 1992 to 1995, a member of the Investment Committee and the Audit Committee of Employees Retraining Board (established under the Employees Retraining Ordinance of Hong Kong) from 1999 to 2020, and a member of the Board of Review (established under Inland Revenue Ordinance of Hong Kong) from 2006 to 2012. Mr. YU is currently an independent non-executive director of several other companies listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, namely One Media Group Limited (stock code: 426), Playmates Toys Limited (stock code: 869), China Resources Gas Group Limited (stock code: 1193), Keck Seng Investments (Hong Kong) Limited (stock code: 184) and MS Group Holdings Limited (stock code: 1451). During the past three years, he was also an independent non-executive director of New Century Asset Management Limited (the manager of New Century Real Estate Investment Trust) (stock code: 1275), China Renewable Energy Investment Limited (stock code: 987), Playmates Holdings Limited (stock code: 635), and Media Chinese International Limited (stock code: 685).

Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun (name that also commonly used is “Mrs. Eva CHENG LI Kam Fun”) (“Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun”), aged 70, has been appointed as a Non-executive Director of the Company since 5 March 2021. Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun graduated from the University of Hong Kong with Bachelor of Arts (Hons) and Master of Business Administration degrees. She was conferred with the degree of Doctor of Business Administration, honoris causa, from the Open University of Hong Kong in 2014. Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun currently also serves as an independent non-executive director of Nestle S.A, a publicly listed company on the SIX Swiss Exchange. Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun also served as an independent non-executive director of Haier Electronics, a subsidiary of the Company, till its privatization on December 2020. She also had been the president of Our Hong Kong Foundation from 2015 to 2022. Prior to joining the Our Hong Kong Foundation, Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun had a distinguished career that spanned 34 years with Amway Corporation. When she retired in 2011, she held the concurrent positions of Executive Vice President of Amway Corporation and Executive Chairman of Amway China Co. Ltd. responsible for Amway Greater China & Southeast Asia Region. During the last three years, Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun had also been an independent non-executive director of Amcor Limited (a company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange) from 2014 to 2019, and an independent non-executive director of Trinity Limited (a company listed on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange) (Stock Code: 891) from 2011 to 2020. Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun’s leadership was well recognised in the business community. She was twice named the “World’s 100 Most Powerful Women” by Forbes Magazine in 2008 and 2009. CNBC awarded Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun with the “China Talent Management Award” in its 2007 China Business Leaders Awards. In the areas of public and social service, Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun is deputy secretary-general of the Hong Kong Coalition, honorary president of the All-China Women’s Federation, honorary president of the Hong Kong Federation of Women, permanent honorary director of The Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, court member of the Open University of Hong Kong, and a member of the Xiqu Centre advisory panel of West Kowloon Cultural District Authority.

Mr. WU Changqi (“Mr. WU”), aged 67, has been a Non-executive Director of the Company since April 2013. He has retired as a Non-executive Director of the Company since 28 June 2022. He is currently the executive vice president of Academy of Development Strategy for National High-Tech Industry Zones, Peking University (北京大學國家高新技術產業開發區發展戰略研究院) and the dean of the School of management of Shandong University. Mr. WU currently serves as an independent non-executive director of Tianneng Co., Ltd. (天能電池集團股份有限公司, a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 688819)) since February 2019, and an independent non-executive director of Shenwan Hongyuan Group Co., Ltd. (申萬宏源集團股份有限公司, a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (stock code: 06806) and Shenzhen Stock Exchange (stock code: 000166)) since May 2021. Mr. WU has over 25 years of experience in research and studies in high-tech industry, business administration and corporate management. Mr. WU’s previous working experience primarily include: serving as an assistant professor and associate professor of the Department of Economics of School of Business and Management of Hong Kong University of Science and Technology from September 1991 to August 2001; a professor of Guanghua School of Management of Peking University from September 2001 to July 2018; a director of the Department of Strategic Management of Guanghua School of Management of Peking University from September 2001 to December 2010; a director of the EMBA degree programme centre of Guanghua School of Management of Peking University from August 2002 to December 2010; a deputy dean of Guanghua School of Management of Peking University from February 2003 to December 2010.

Mr. WU obtained a Bachelor’s degree of Economics in political economics from Shandong University in Jinan, the PRC in July 1982, and a Master’s degree of Business Administration in February 1986 and a Doctoral degree in applied economics from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven in Belgium in October 1990.

Mr. LIN Sui (“Mr. LIN”), aged 65, has been a Non-executive Director of the Company since June 2019. He has retired as a Non-executive Director of the Company since 28 June 2022. Mr. LIN joined Deloitte & Touche as a tax consultant in January 1993. He was transferred to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu China in January 2002 and served as a partner in Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu China from June 2002 to May 2019, during which he also served as a board member of the Deloitte China practice between September 2008 and May 2012. Mr. LIN is an external master’s tutor of School of Economics, Fudan University since 2012, an external master’s tutor of School of Public Economics and Administration, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics since 2008. Mr. LIN has around 30 years of experience in accounting, tax and corporate management.

Mr. LIN obtained a Master’s degree of Business Administration in Accounting and a Master’s degree of Science in Taxation from Baruch College of The City University of New York, the United States in December 1992 and May 1996, respectively. Mr. LIN is a Certified Public Accountant of New York State, the United States of America, and a member of American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

Mr. CHIEN Da-chun (“Mr. CHIEN”), aged 69, has been an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company since June 2019. He currently serves as a director of ENN Group Co., Ltd. Mr. CHIEN has over 15 years of experience in business administration and corporate management. Mr. CHIEN worked for over 10 years at International Business Machines Corporation (“IBM”) group of companies until 2015, achieving various senior management roles before his retirement by the end of 2015. In addition to his experience in business corporations, Mr. CHIEN has served as a professor of Management Practice and a member of the Teaching Steering Committee of the third session of the Executive Education Project at the School of Business of Renmin University of China since January 2019.

Mr. CHIEN received a Bachelor of Science from the Department of Mathematics of Tamkang College of Arts and Science (currently known as Tamkang University of Taiwan) in June 1975.

Mr. WONG Hak Kun (“Mr. WONG”), aged 66, has been an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company since June 2020. He currently serves as an independent non-executive director of Yue Yuen Industrial Holdings (Limited) (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (stock code: 00551)) since June 2018, an independent non-executive director of Lung Kee (Bermuda) Holdings Limited (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (stock code: 00255)) since June 2018, an independent non-executive director of Guangzhou Automobile Group Co., Ltd. (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (stock code: 02238) and the Shanghai Stock Exchange (stock code: 601238)) since May 2020, and an independent non-executive director of Hangzhou SF Intra-City Industrial Co., Ltd (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (Stock code: 9699)) since December 2021. During the past three years, he was also an independent non-executive director of Zhejiang Cangnan Instrument Group Company Limited (a company listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (stock code: 01743)). Mr. WONG has over 36 years of experience in auditing, assurance and management. Mr. WONG worked in Deloitte China from July 1980 to May 2017, during which he was a partner since 1992. Mr. WONG also served as a member of Deloitte China’s Governance Board from June 2000 to May 2008. Prior to his retirement from Deloitte China in May 2017, he was Deloitte China’s National Managing Partner of Audit & Assurance.

Mr. WONG received a Bachelor’s degree of social science from the University of Hong Kong in Hong Kong in November 1980. He is an associate of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) since December 1983, an associate of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) since September 1983, an associate of The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators in United Kingdom since April 1984, and an associate of the Chartered Institute Management Accountants (CIMA) since June 1990.

Mr. LI Shipeng (“Mr. LI”), aged 56, has been an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company since 5 March 2021. Mr. LI holds a bachelor’s and master’s degree from University of Science and Technology of China, and a PhD degree from Lehigh University, USA. Mr. LI has extensive experience in areas such as Internet of Things technology, and artificial intelligence. Mr. LI is currently the Director of the Applied Intelligence of Suzhou Industrial Technology Research Institute. Prior to that, he served as the Chief Researcher and Deputy Dean of Microsoft Research Asia, Chief Technology Officer of Cogobuy Group, Vice President of iFlytek Group, and the Executive President of Shenzhen Institute of Artificial Intelligence and Robotics.

Mr. LI is a member of the International Eurasian Academy of Sciences and a fellow of the International Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE fellow). He was listed as one of the world's top 1,000 computer scientists by Guide2Research and ranked top 20 in Mainland China in 2020. Mr. LI is a renowned expert in areas such as internet, computer vision, cloud computing, Internet of Things and artificial intelligence.

Mr. WU Qi ("Mr. WU Qi"), aged 55, has been an Independent Non-executive Director of the Company since 25 June 2021. Mr. WU Qi graduated from Zhejiang University with a Bachelor's degree majoring in national economic management in 1990, thereafter he graduated from Renmin University of China with an on-the-job Master's degree majoring in Money and Banking in 1995 and China Europe International Business School with an EMBA in 2002, respectively. He has 25 years of work and management experience in world-class management and consulting companies. He served as the vice president (Global) and vice chairman (Greater China) of Accenture, and the chairman of Shun Zhe Technology Development Co., Ltd. He was a member and the president (Greater China) of Roland Berger's Global Management Committee, a member of Roland Berger's Global Supervisory Board. He was a senior consultant for Foxconn's D sub-business group strategy and intelligent manufacturing and a consultant of Xnode, a famous accelerator for startups, and non-executive director of Grinn Advanced Materials Co., Ltd. (a company listed on the Shanghai Stock Exchange, stock code: 600206.SH) (resigned in April 2018). He was awarded 2015 Outstanding Talent in Jing'an District, Shanghai. Mr. WU Qi's past experience in consulting industry involves transportation/logistics, high-tech manufacturing, tourism, finance, consumer goods, real estate, government departments and other industries. He has extensive experience in fields such as development strategy, organizational change, sales and brand strategy, corporate innovation, digital transformation and intelligent manufacturing, post-merger integration, regional industrial and economic development and upgrading. He is a well-known expert in Industry 4.0, transportation and regional planning and development in the PRC. He served as a consultant for Hangzhou Bay Development Planning, a member of the Intelligent Manufacturing Expert Committee of the Shenzhen Municipal Government, deputy head of the 13th Five-Year Planning Expert Committee of Zhengzhou City, Henan Province, vice chairman of China Cold Chain Alliance and other social positions.

SUPERVISORS

Mr. LIU Dalin ("Mr. LIU"), aged 42, has been the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the Company since 25 June 2021. He holds master's degree in business administration from Renmin University of China. He is a senior engineer. From August 2005 to September 2010, he served as a designer of water heater department at Haier Group, an assistant R&D engineer, a R&D engineer and a R&D manager of the electric heating department of Haier Group successively. From September 2010 to October 2015, he was the deputy secretary of the Youth League Committee of Haier Group. From October 2015 to October 2020, he was the deputy secretary of the Disciplinary Committee of Haier Group. From October 2020 to June 2022, he has been serving as the executive deputy secretary of the Disciplinary Committee of Haier Group. From June 2022 to date, he serves as a member of the Party Committee, chairman of the Supervisory Committee and head of the organization department of Haier Group.

Ms. MA Yingjie ("Ms. MA"), aged 53, has been a Supervisor of the Company since 25 June 2021. She is an assistant officer specialising on society matters. She once served as the secretary of the Youth League Committee of the Company, the secretary of the trade union of the Company, the contact person of the customer service department of Qingdao Haier Dishwasher Co., Ltd. Currently, she is the head of Society and Community department of the Company.

Mr. YU Miao (“Mr. YU”), aged 39, has been an Employee Representative Supervisor of the Company since January 2019. He joined our Company in April 2012 and has since then served as the legal manager of our Company, mainly in charge of management of legal affairs.

Mr. YU obtained a Bachelor’s degree of Law from Jinan University in Jinan, the PRC in July 2005, and a Master’s degree of Law in economics law from Dongbei University of Finance and Economics in Dalian, the PRC in December 2008. Mr. YU passed the PRC bar exam and obtained the PRC lawyer qualification (non-practising) certificate in February 2008.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

The following personnel are appointed as Vice-presidents of the Company.

Mr. GONG Wei. See “EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS”.

Mr. XIE Juzhi. See “EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS”.

Mr. LI Pan (“Mr. LI”), aged 46, Vice-president, graduated from Wuhan University in 1997 and obtained the double degree in economics and international business administration. He joined Haier Group in 1997 and currently serves as the general manager of the overseas platform of the Company. Mr. LI has held various positions in Haier Group, including serving as the assistant director of the Asia-Pacific Division, the manager of the Haier ASEAN Center, the manager of the Overseas Brands Marketing Center, the manager of the Overseas Strategic Center and the director on the operation of overseas markets. He has held important positions of the overseas platform of Haier Group since 2004 with extensive frontline management experience in product planning, brand marketing, market exploration and corporate operation.

Mr. ZHAO Yanfeng (“Mr. ZHAO”), aged 45, Vice-president, graduated from Tianjin Institute of Light Industry with a bachelor’s degree in mechanical and electrical engineering in 2001 and received a degree of EMBA from Renmin University of China in 2019. Mr. ZHAO joined Haier Smart Home in 2001 and is currently the general manager of Haier’s refrigeration business. Since joining Haier Smart Home, Mr. ZHAO has held various positions such as its regional branch general manager, general manager of domestic market of refrigeration industry, and general manager of the refrigeration business in China. He possess whole-process management experience in product planning, research and development, manufacturing and marketing.

Mr. LI Yang (“Mr. LI”), aged 46, Vice-president, graduated from Qingdao University of Science & Technology in 1998 and obtained a Bachelor’s degree in fine chemical engineering. He obtained a degree of Executive Master of Business Administration (EMBA) from Xi’an Jiaotong University in 2022. Mr. LI joined Haier Group in 1998 and currently serves as the general manager of the washing machine business and the internet of clothing platform of Haier. Mr. LI has held various positions in Haier Group, including serving as the manufacturing director and the general manager of the internet of clothing platform. He has held important positions of the internet of clothing platform of Haier since 2008 and has been engaged in the quality and systemic management of washing machines, production and manufacturing and other relevant management works. The ecological platform of the internet of clothing incubated by the team under his leadership was awarded the first prize for “Innovation Results in Modern Management of National Light Industry Enterprises” (全國輕工業企業管理現代化創新成果) in 2019. He received the “Most Promising Entrepreneur in Qingdao in 2018”, the “Advanced Individual in Management Innovation of National Light Industry Enterprises” and other honors.

Mr. SONG Yujun (“Mr. SONG”), aged 47, Vice-president, graduated from Shandong University of Technology with a bachelor’s degree in equipment engineering and management in 1998 and received a degree of EMBA from Tsinghua University in 2015. He joined Haier in 1998 and has served as general manager of Haier’s overseas promotion department, director and general manager of Haier Pakistan, executive director of Haier India, director of Haier’s South Asia and Southeast Asia oversea region, vice president of Haier Home Appliance Industry Group, etc. He has held various important positions in Haier Overseas since 1998 and has rich experience in product, manufacturing, R&D, marketing and sales. He has been awarded various honors such as Qingdao Model Worker (青島市勞動模範), Qingdao Top Professional and Technical Talent (青島市專業技術拔尖人才), Qingdao High-level Service Talent (青島高層次服務人才) and other honorary titles. He is currently the general manager of Haier air-conditioning business.

Mr. GUAN Jiangyong (“Mr. GUAN”), aged 44, Vice-president, graduated from the Northeast Electric Power University in 2001 and obtained a Bachelor’s degree in execution information system. Mr. GUAN joined Haier Group in 2001 and currently serves as the general manager of the water heater business and the internet of water platform of Haier. Mr. GUAN has been engaged in product management in industry and trade markets, production and manufacturing, product marketing and industrial pipeline management and served as a regional general manager, the market director on the water heater business and the general manager of the internet of water platform and the water heater business. He possesses whole-process management experience in product manufacturing, marketing, corporate planning management and industrial platforms.

Mr. WU Yong (“Mr. WU”), aged 44, Vice-president, graduated from Tianjin College of Commerce in 2001 and obtained a Bachelor’s degree in heat supply, ventilation and air-conditioning engineering. He obtained the double degree of EMBA from the School of Economics and Management of Tsinghua University and the INSEAD in 2015. Mr. WU joined Haier Group in 2001 and currently serves as the general manager of the kitchen appliances and household appliances businesses and the internet of food platform of the Company. Mr. WU has served as the general manager of the PRC Region on manufacturing and production of refrigerators, overseas marketing and the air-conditioning business since joining the Group and possesses whole-process management experience in manufacturing, marketing and industrial platforms.

Mr. HUANG Xiao Wu (“Mr. HUANG”), aged 45, Vice-president, graduated from the College of Photoelectric Engineering, Chongqing University with a bachelor’s degree in engineering in 1998, and graduated from the Faculty of Business and Economics of The University of Hong Kong with a master’s degree in business administration in 2004. Mr. HUANG has over 20 years of extensive work experience in commercial banking, strategic investment, industrial funds, corporate finance and capital market operation, where he participated in and led major strategic investment and financing projects in the areas of marketing channels, logistics, home appliances and technology industries. Mr. Huang has been appointed as Vice-president of the Company since 2021, and is responsible for the Company’s affairs on such as investor relations, capital market, equity financing, strategic investment. He also serves as the director of the ESG Executive Office at Haier Smart Home. Prior to above, Mr. HUANG served as the deputy general manager of Haier Electronics. Prior to joining Haier Group, he worked in the Ningbo branch and Shanghai branch of Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Investment Banking Division of Guosen Securities, Anglo Chinese Investment Banking Group (英高投資銀行集團) and other institutions.

Ms. MING Guozhen (“Ms. MING”), aged 58, has been a Vice General Manager of the Company since May 2008 and the Board Secretary since April 2009. Ms. MING has retired as the above positions since 28 June 2022. Ms. MING joined Haier in August 2007 and served as the business director and merger & acquisition director of the Haier Asset Operation Division (海爾資產運營事業部) from August 2007 to May 2008. Prior to that, her previous working experience primarily includes: serving as a lecturer of investment department and a deputy director of the Teaching and Research Office of investment department of China Institute of Finance and Banking (中國金融學院) from July 1986 to January 1992; successively serving as salesman, manager, assistant to the general manager in Everbright Bank of China International Trust and Investment Corp. (中國光大國際信託投資公司) from January 1992 to September 1998; serving as the vice president of Everbright International Investment Consulting Corporation (光大國際投資諮詢公司) from October 1998 to December 2000; serving as director of the general office of Analyst Professional Committee (分析師專業委員會), deputy director of the department of association qualification management (協會資格管理部) and deputy director of Association Practitioner Standard Committee (協會執業標準委員會) of Securities Association of China from January 2001 to August 2007.

Ms. MING obtained a Bachelor’s degree of Economics in Sichuan Finance and Economics College (四川財經學院, currently known as Southwestern University of Finance and Economics (西南財經大學)) in Chengdu, the PRC in 1986, and a Master’s degree of Economics in Southwestern University of Finance and Economics in Chengdu, the PRC in 1990. She obtained the title of lecturer granted by the People’s Bank of China in June 1992, qualification of economist and senior economist granted by the Senior Professional Technical Function Evaluation Committee of China Everbright (Group) Corporation in May 1993 and November 1994, respectively, and the qualification of board secretary granted by the Shanghai Stock exchange in November 2008. Ms. MING was awarded as a member of “Golden Model Board Secretary Celebrities House (金牌董秘名人堂)” at the 12th session of New Finance Election in June 2016.

Ms. WANG Li (“Ms. WANG”), aged 57, Vice-president. She retired from all positions in the Group in April 2022. Ms. Wang graduated from Qingdao University of Science & Technology in 1986 and obtained a Bachelor’s degree in heat supply, ventilation and air-conditioning engineering. She obtained a Master’s degree in business administration from Renmin University of China in June 2013. Ms. Wang joined Haier Group (Qingdao Air-conditioner Company) in 1988 and had held various positions, including the general manager of Haier’s central air-conditioner business, the general manager of Haier’s residential facilities business and the general manager of Haier’s air business. Ms. WANG had held important positions in the air-conditioner department of Haier since 1988 with management experience in products and marketing. Ms. WANG has served various industrial positions, including a member of China Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Industry Association. Ms. WANG was granted special government subsidy from the State Council, and was awarded the Outstanding Entrepreneur in Light Industry in Shandong Province, the Labor Model of Qingdao City, the Outstanding Talent in Professional Technology in Qingdao City and other honorary titles.

Ms. LIU Xiaomei (“Ms. LIU”), aged 37, appointed as the Board Secretary of the Company since June 2022. She graduated from the Law School of Minzu University of China with a double bachelor’s degree in law and literature in 2009, and graduated from the Department of International Law of the China Foreign Affairs University with a master’s degree in international law in 2011, and is qualified to practice law in China. Ms. LIU joined the Haier in June 2015 and has been in charge of legal and compliance matters of corporate governance, capital market, M&A and corporate finance at Haier Electronics Group Co., Ltd. and the Company. Prior to joining Haier, Ms. LIU worked for Jingtian & Gongcheng (law firm) in Beijing. Ms. LIU has had extensive work experience in corporate governance, capital market, industrial fund, and investment and financing.

BUSINESS REVIEW

MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS

In 2022, the Company realized sales revenue of RMB243.485 billion, representing an increase of 7.2% from 2021. Revenue growth was driven by: (1) the strengths of high-end brands which enhanced user value, along with the promotion of Three-Winged Bird brand that boosted sales of scenario-based product sets and increased transaction value; (2) overseas market expansions leveraging globalised supply chain and R&D platforms as well as in-depth market network to launch leading products and improve price index; (3) the development of new product categories including tumble dryers, dishwashers, heat pumps and home cleaning robots.

In 2022, net profit attributable to the owners of the Company amounted to RMB14.711 billion, representing a growth of 12.5% from 2021. (1) Gross profit margin remained flat to 2021 at 30.6%, domestic gross margin expansion was driven by product mix upgrade, development of globalised platforms, digitalization in procurement and R&D, as well as lower commodities prices in the second half of the year; the overseas market recorded minor gross margin contraction as the benefits of better product mix and price increases was offset by cost pressure related to rising commodities prices. (2) The Group's ratio of selling and distribution expenses in 2022 to its revenue was 15.9%, representing a reduction of 0.2 percentage points as compared to 2021. The optimization of selling expense ratio was driven by implementation of digital initiatives to enhance operational efficiency in marketing, logistics and warehouses. (3) The Group's ratio of administrative expense in 2022 to its revenue was 8.9%, which remained flat to 2021 at 8.9%. On the one hand, the Group accelerated the transformation of digital operation, optimizing business processes and enhancing organizational efficiency by adopting the digital platform throughout the whole process, which contributed to the optimization of the administrative expense ratio by 0.2 percentage points; on the other hand, the Group increased its investment in the research and development of IoT technologies, big data applications and energy-efficient technologies, which enhanced its competitiveness in artificial intelligence and led to an increase in the administrative expense ratio by 0.2 percentage points.

Net cash flow from operating activities in 2022 was RMB20.153 billion, operations remained solid with net cash flow to net profit ratio reached 1.37, attributable to improved working capital management in China.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China

In 2022, revenue of smart home business in China grew by 4.6% from 2021 reaching RMB126.359 billion, the growth was attributable to ① market share gains from outperforming the industry in refrigerators, washing machines, air conditioners, and water heaters; ② distribution network expansion to capture strong momentum from e-commerce and franchised stores; ③ increased sales of product sets with higher average ticket price from Three-Winged Bird scenario-based solutions; ④ enhanced user engagement and conversions through providing services and design solutions in first and second tier markets, and offering door-to-door services to rural households.

1. Household Food Storage and Cooking Solutions

(1) Refrigerator and Freezer Business

In 2022, refrigerator business achieved sales revenue of RMB43.182 billion, representing an increase of 3.5% year-on-year. According to CMM, the Company's retail share of refrigerators went up 2.5 percentage points to 43.9% offline; and increased 0.5 percentage points to 39.2% online.

The Company spearheaded industry development in food preservation, large-volume products and connectivity. The Company served a variety of user needs through brand portfolio of Casarte, Haier and Leader. (1) Leveraging breakthroughs in built-in design, structural configuration and heat dissipation technology, Casarte was able to introduce seamless built-in range and achieved 180% revenue growth from its built-in refrigerators during the reporting period. (2) Featuring cutting-edge freshness preservation and refrigeration technologies, more than one million units of Haier full-space freshness preservation refrigerator were sold, including Boguan (博觀) series, could maintain humidity level at 90% in the refrigerator zone with zero temperature fluctuations in the freezer, allowing ingredients to stay fresh for 7 and 15 additional days in the chilled and frozen sections compared to ordinary refrigerators, over 50,000 units were sold in its first year on the market at an average price of over RMB15,000.

During the reporting period, freezer business achieved a revenue growth of 11% partly driven by the introduction of large-size upright freezers designed for home use. In May 2022, Haier's upright freezer was awarded the highest honour of recognition by Stiftung Warentest, Germany's leading consumer testing institution. Meanwhile, revenue of commercial freezers also grew by 19%.

Export business

The Company focused on brand premiumisation and product innovation featuring large multi-door refrigerators and freshness preservation technology to expand market share overseas. In Europe, Haier ranked first in large multi-door refrigerators with market share of over 40%. In Japan, the Company launched ultra-thin large-volume TZ freezer series, boosting market share of large refrigerators by 4.6 percentage points to 43%. In Vietnam, market share of high-end large refrigerators reached 40%.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China (continued)

1. Household Food Storage and Cooking Solutions (continued)

(2) Kitchen appliance business

In 2022, kitchen appliance segment recorded sales revenue of RMB3.764 billion, a year-on-year increase of 7.7% and Casarte's revenue contribution continued to increase. According to CMM, the Company's offline retail share of kitchen appliances rose 1.4 percentage points year-on-year to 8.4%, ranking top three in the industry for the first time.

The Company launched a series of innovative products that were well-received by the market. Casarte's constant air volume range hood was equipped with wind pressure sensor and automatic fan adjustment, to provide strong ventilation and efficient extraction, while reducing noise level by 5dB to 43dB. Casarte's ovens created self-cooking technology at 300° C, a pizza could be cooked within three minutes, and baking is automatically stopped once the food is ready. This product ranked first in market share among ovens priced above RMB11,000. Casarte's dishwashers featuring drawer-style compartments equipped with large-diameter spray arm that rinsed dishes at 360° to achieve thorough cleaning. During the reporting period, revenue of Casarte's dishwashers recorded double-digit revenue growth.

Export business

Export revenue grew 25% in 2022. In addition, the Company continued making effort to increase in-house production and improve operational efficiency.

2. Household Laundry Management Solutions

During the reporting period, the Company's washing machine business achieved sales revenue of RMB31.614 billion, a year-on-year increase of 3.1%. According to CMM, the Company's offline retail share of washing machines rose 1.8 percentage points to 46.0%, and retail share stayed flat at 40.4% online. Retail share of tumble dryers increased 6.4 percentage points to 39.3% offline and 6 percentage points to 31% online.

The Company has strengthened high-end washing machine market leadership through product innovation. (1) Casarte's Zhongzihemei (中子和美) washer & dryer combo integrated washing, drying and clothes caring with real-time data sharing during each process. It was designed to reduce creases, wear & tear, and consume less energy. (2) Haier brand is committed to developing innovative technologies that enhance energy and water efficiency. Its Essence Wash washing machine was equipped with a premix compartment and high-pressure spraying technology to achieve powerful stain removal and reduce wear & tear by pre-mixing detergent. More than 200,000 units have been sold within three months since its launch. The Company also captured new opportunities in tumble dryers with revenue growth of over 80% in 2022. Casarte Xiannuo (纖諾) dryer helped grow the Company's market share in units above RMB10,000 to 46.6%.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China (continued)

2. Household Laundry Management Solutions (continued)

Export Business

The Company focused on product upgrade and user interaction to enhance experience. Despite industry-wide weakness, IoL data indicates that the Company still managed to grow export revenue by 4%, by capturing energy efficiency market opportunities with swift upgrade of entire washing machine range to energy efficiency Class A in Europe; in Japan, heat pump and front-load washer combo contributed to the 50% revenue growth.

3. Air and Energy Solutions

During the reporting period, the Company's air and energy solution business realized sales revenue of RMB33.944 billion, up 5.5% year-on-year.

(1) Home air conditioner business

During the reporting period, home air conditioner business achieved significant market share increase by consolidating distribution network, boosting distributor and user reputation, increasing in-house components production, and accelerating supply chain integration. According to CMM, offline retail share rose 2.8 percentage points year-on-year to 19.5% in 2022, and retail share increased 0.8 percentage points year-on-year to 14.4% online. In addition, retail share in the high-end market (wall-mounted units priced above RMB4,000 and standing units priced above RMB10,000) grew 3.9 percentage points, reaching 24.2%.

The Company capitalised on the development of home central air-conditioners by improving design, installation and service standards, while enhancing distributors' service capabilities through trainings to garner consumer goodwill. According to China IoL, the Company's market share of home central air-conditioners increased 0.25 percentage points year-on-year to 14.7% in 2022.

The Company strived to provide users with healthier, more comfortable, energy-efficient and environmentally friendly air solutions by utilizing IoT technologies. For example, Casarte's Yunding (雲鼎) deluxe air conditioners could wash and purify air through a 19-layer water curtain, effectively removing seven types of pollutants including formaldehyde and PM2.5. It is also equipped with Smart Home system that could identify users and surrounding environment in order to provide customized and personal temperature settings.

The Company created immersive experience to improve store traffic conversion by demonstrating technological strengths in cooling and heating efficiency, ultra-low noise, and health benefits. The Company also increased average contribution of individual models by streamlining SKUs and increasing the volume of each order.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China (continued)

3. Air and Energy Solutions (continued)

(1) Home air conditioner business (continued)

The Company strengthened supply chain and optimized design & procurement costs by increasing in-house manufacturing of core components and enhancing management of tier two & three suppliers. In January 2023, the Company formed a compressor joint venture with Shanghai Highly, aiming to secure an integrated supply of compressors, enhance production stability, reduce costs, in order to improve overall profitability and enhance competitiveness through coordinated development of compressors and air-conditioning units.

Export business

Export revenue rose by over 25% in 2022, ranking number one in the industry according to China IoL. The growth was driven by breakthroughs in new products such as dehumidifiers and strong performance in the US and Europe markets leveraging localized distribution network and product innovation.

(2) Commercial air-conditioner business

During the reporting period, revenue from commercial air conditioners grew over 20%. According to China IoL, the Company's share increased 0.9 percentage points year-on-year to 11.1% in the domestic market and 0.7 percentage points to 14.2% in the export market as compared to 2021.

During the reporting period, the Company started expanding from commercial HVAC equipment to energy management and smart integrated solutions for buildings. By creating Meta Building control system that integrates air conditioners, elevators, lighting, water, electricity and security, the Company aims at offering green and smart building solutions that combine technology, experience and space.

Drawing on strengths in magnetic centrifugal chillers, the Company won contract of 37 underground lines in 17 cities in 2022, reinforcing number one position in domestic market. In addition, the Company developed air-suspending central air-conditioners and pioneered magnetic & air-centrifugal chillers solutions leveraging air-suspending centrifugal compressor technology to enhance energy efficiency and eliminate frictions in the switch on/off process.

During the reporting period, heat pump revenue grew by 26%. The Company launched -37° C Low Ambient heat pumps with performance above and beyond the scope of China Energy Label grade 1 products by adopting leading R32 refrigerant system. The Company also launched Air to Water heat pump that could provide constant 90° C water under wide temperature, making it an efficient alternative to fossil-fuel boilers in many industrial settings. In 2022, the Company won Tangshan's Guye District (古冶區) Heating Renovation Project, the largest project of its kind in China.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China (continued)

3. Air and Energy Solutions (continued)

(2) Commercial air-conditioner business (continued)

Export business

The Company also developed oil-free magnetic centrifugal chillers overseas, with export revenue up by over 40% in 2022. During the reporting period, the Company also won several contracts including Suvarnabhumi Airport in Thailand and the Ministry of Health in Malaysia.

4. Household Water Solutions

During the period, water heaters and purifiers revenue grew by 9.1% to RMB13.855 billion. According to CMM, the Company strengthened its leadership in 2022, with market share increase of 1.3 percentage points to 29.8% offline, and online retail share rose 2.4 percentage points to 34.0%.

Following the launch of Casarte's Crystal Tank Galaxy series, the Company expanded dual-tank line-up to capture demand for water heaters with small-size, tasteful appearance and large-capacity. Leveraging gas-electric hybrid technology, the Company was able to consolidate premium leadership in gas water heaters with revenue growth of 16% in 2022; and the Company remained number one in units priced above RMB8,000. During the period, the offline retail share of gas water heaters increased by 1.9 percentage points year-on-year to 22.2%. Air-sourced heat pump water heater accelerated R&D in high water temperature, disinfection, frequency conversion and energy saving. In 2022, its domestic revenue grew by 19% and overseas revenue rose by over 290%. Casarte's Tianhe (天合) NC7 air-sourced water heater could rapidly heat up at -15° C and reduce electricity usage by over 76%.

The water purifier business strengthened competitiveness through product innovation and supply chain optimization. During the period, the Company expanded high-end market share with cutting edge technologies including zinc-strontium mineral spring. Since April 2021, Haier smart water purifier factory has not only been able to produce the entire under-sink range in house, but also its own filter, water circuit board and moulding modules, all of which contributed to increase cost competitiveness.

5. Sales Platform in China

Despite macro uncertainties during the reporting period, the Company remained committed to enhancing user experience, increasing user recognition and growing average user value via several initiatives to enhance efficiency of franchised network with digital transformation and service innovation; accelerate development in new retail channels and improve user interaction online; increase presence in home improvement channels, establish design, installation & service one-stop stores, as well as establishing partnerships with designers. According to CMM, the Company's overall retail market share went up 2 percentage points year-on-year to 27.2% in China in 2022.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China (continued)

5. Sales Platform in China (continued)

Challenged by declining traffic and store closures in KA channels, the Company accelerated omni channel network expansion, and strengthened its franchised stores with digital tools to improve traffic acquisition and conversion. The Company stimulated replacement demand in the rural market by offering door-to-door appliance cleaning services, while driving the sales of product sets in the urban areas by building showrooms featuring tailored design solutions. Furthermore, the Company actively developed shopping mall channels through scenario-based solutions and integrated offline/online interactions, showcasing quality lifestyle and boosting replacement demand.

Increasing number of consumers started to buy appliances online. During the reporting period, the Company expanded product portfolio online, while strengthening the premium Casarte brand by introducing over 70 new units. The Company also made efforts to improve membership management by streamlining online and offline user database utilizing digital tools. In 2022, the Company topped the industry with 20% growth of its aggregated GMV online; user engagement efficiency increased 23%; total number of Haier brand membership surged 41% to over 45 million.

The Company made dedicated effort to capture the growth opportunities of live streaming platforms and short video marketing by creating quality content integrating brand stories to increase consumer recognition. In 2022, over 40,000 short videos were released, and daily average live streaming coverage exceeded 16 hours in flagship store online. Streaming related transaction value exceeded RMB10 billion in 2022, ranking first amongst major home appliance businesses online.

Growing number of consumers started to buy major appliances at the beginning of their renovation project, thus the Company enhanced traffic conversion and average ticket price by showcasing scenario-based solutions in Three-Winged Bird stores, providing professional design toolkit to distributors and promoting existing home renovation and kitchen renovation solutions. In 2022, over 900 new Three-Winged Bird stores were added, and retail sales of Three-Winged Bird stores went up by 257% year-on-year. Amid the growing traffic towards home improvement channels, the Company established wide partnership with home furnishing industry and expanded distribution network in building material markets with retail sales increase of 51% and 401 new sales outlets added in 2022.

In 2022, business operations remained under constant pressure offline, the weakness in KA channels also had an impact on sales of mid and high-end products. During the reporting period, Casarte brand managed to grow against the headwind through product renovation, development of set product portfolio and distribution network enhancement. In 2022, revenue contribution from product sets went up by 2.4 percentage points, according to CMM, Casarte's core appliance market share went up by 1.4 percentage points from 2021 to 12.3%.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(I) Smart Home Business in China (continued)

6. Accelerating digitalization to facilitate end-to-end innovation, enhance operational efficiency and user experience.

During the reporting period, the Company implemented digital transformation in procurement, lean manufacturing, marketing, and R&D, achieved cost reduction and efficiency improvement through data integration, operational digitalization and transformation.

Improve procurement efficiency

The Company established selective vendor database to reduce supplier complexity, increase commonly used parts and improve material quality. In 2022, the number of components was reduced by 17.5% and proportion of common parts increased by 12%, the Company also cut new supplier process time by 10% and shortened supplier inspection time by 10% to accelerate new product pipeline.

Improved efficiency of lean manufacturing

The Company has successfully increased scheduling accuracy to 85%, increased factory UPH by 9.3%. and reduced inventory of semi-finished goods by 20% thanks to promoting manufacturing digitalization, integrated scheduling in assembly, pre-process, and sequential production. Loading efficiency of finished goods logistics also enhanced 30% by integrating logistics data.

In 2022, the Company reduced OTD lead time by reduced by 7% in China through advancing SKU classification system, as well as simplifying process during examination, scheduling, and shipment to reduce order fulfilment delays. Meanwhile, the Company also optimized inventory replenishment model in e-commerce channels and implemented VMI model, to reduce inventory turnover days in regional branches by 10%.

(II) Overseas home appliances and smart home business

Revenue amounted to RMB125.424 billion in 2022, up 10.3% from 2021, driven by product innovation leveraging globalised platforms, several new products have been successfully launched globally including the large front-load washer; flexible and efficiency from globalised supply chain; worldwide deployment of production capacity to cater for local demand; continued growth in price index thanks to global premium brand building.

1. North America

The North American Home Appliance market encountered a significant challenge in 2022. Fears of recession exacerbated the weakness of consumer spending, and the core appliance industry declined by around 6%, while costs faced severe inflationary pressures. However, the Company acted decisively in implementing its strategy during the reporting period and again delivered a solid performance, with sales revenue increasing by 9.0% (up 4.6% in local currency). The Company's resilience and sustainability are built on long-term investments in technology, product innovation, distribution network expansion, brand building, and supply chain management, ultimately continuing to meet its commitment to its users.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(II) Overseas home appliances and smart home business (continued)

1. North America (continued)

During the reporting period, the Company adhered to its high-end strategy and launched new differentiated premium products such as the first Profile Front Load and Top Load washing machine with built-in Alexa voice assistant, Café counter-depth multi-door refrigerator, industry-leading Striker smart cooktop with precise temperature control and ultra-fresh dishwasher with stainless steel tub to improve product mix and support double-digit growth of premium brands.

The Company continues to expand the growing space for new categories. During the reporting period, the product line-up of HVAC continued to improve, and the launch of ducted AC marked the Company's entry into the mainstream HVAC market in the United States; the water heater factory in South Carolina went into operation, becoming the core manufacturing base for premium water heater products; the small domestic appliance category expanded, and Opal ice maker ranked in the top in the premium countertop ice maker category at Amazon, etc.

The Company has always been committed to continuously improving user experience, building the end-to-end digital platform to improve the Company's efficiency internally and interact with users externally. The Company has remotely upgraded the Steakhouse Mode and Turkey Mode for tens of thousands of users successively; during the same time the Company opened a micro-factory in the Co-Creation Centre in Stamford, Connecticut. The Company once again won the annual "Smart Appliance Company of the Year" and "Cybersecurity Breakthrough Award" in the United States.

Facing the challenging of a downward market environment and raw material inflation etc., the Company continues to deepen RenDanHeYi to motivate employees. Employees set up five teams spontaneously to build a synergistic system of sales and operation in the areas of material cost takeout, operation efficiency, structure improvement, revenue, and cash flow respectively to achieve sustainable growth. With high recognition of the employees, the Company was again certified as the "Great Place to Work" in the US in 2022.

The Company continues to be a local corporate citizen. During the reporting period, the Company launched the Every Voice program, which aims to provide jobs for refugee groups who have left their homes; the first batch of Einride electric trucks have been put into service, effectively reducing carbon emissions during the Company's operation while improving supply chain efficiency; and Blue Wave public service program has expanded from the U.S. to a global scale and will contribute to public welfare around the world.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(II) Overseas home appliances and smart home business (continued)

2. Europe

In 2022, the Company recorded revenue of RMB23.031 billion in Europe, an increase of 16.7% year-on-year. GFK statistics suggests the Company was the fastest growing appliances business with retail volume market share up by 1 percentage point to 7.4%, and retail revenue market share increase of 1.4 percentage points to 6.8%. The Company achieved growth against the headwind by strengthening high-end brand strategy, seizing market opportunities for energy-saving and built-in products, as well as accelerating supply chain localization. During the period, Haier brand's price index rose to 131; the Company capture market opportunity for energy-efficient products by launching Haier905CD refrigerator, ultra-thin lpro7plus washing machine, 939 washing machine and 979Plus12kg washing machine with an energy-efficiency rating of A-20%. Heat pump revenue grew by 200% and the Company launched air-source heat pump water heater which provides heating under -30° C to meet growing demand. In the meantime, the Company accelerated go-to market strategy by utilizing local facilities from dishwasher & kitchen appliance factories Turkey and refrigerator factory in Romania.

3. Australia and New Zealand

During the reporting period, the Company recorded revenue of RMB6.962 billion, down by 0.7% year-on-year (up by 5.9% in local currency) in Australia and New Zealand, market share exceeded 18% in main-stream channels (including TGG & NARTA) in Australia with strengthening leadership in New Zealand. The growth was attributable to continued product innovation driven by long term technological advancement. In 2022, the Company launched 60cm Contemporary and New Minimal series equipped with full steam to provide users with a healthier gourmet experience, and FPA's premium 7, 8 and 9 series contributed to almost 50% of total kitchen appliance revenue. FPA brand Rf605T refrigerator with precise temperature control and variable temperate zone was created to deliver superior preservation performance, it was an instant best-seller and soon became number one in market share of units' capacity between 600-650L. On the other hand, the Company also made greater efforts in customizing smart and comprehensive solutions in the offline channels, while establishing partners with designs leveraging FPA's premium product portfolio.

4. South Asia

During the period, revenue from South Asia market grew 16.1% year-on-year to RMB8.284 billion. Retail market share in India grew by 2 percentage points to 11% leveraging brand portfolio of Casarte, Haier and Candy to meet mid to high-end demand for large-capacity and health-oriented products, while catering to the third and fourth-tier market with energy-saving and entry level products. High-end market share grew by 3.5 percentage points to 14% leveraging continued product launches including Haier high-end T-door refrigerators and front-load washers with heating function. In Pakistan, the Company outperform the industry in all categories and remained number one with overall market share, an increase of 2 percentage points year-on-year to 36%. High end market share rose by 5 percentage points, driven by introducing Casarte products that cater for premium market demand of smart and stylish appliances; the Company also developed deep freezing and rapid cooling freezer to meet demand for large freezing capacity in third and fourth tier markets.

ANALYSIS ON OPERATIONS (continued)

(II) Overseas home appliances and smart home business (continued)

5. Southeast Asia

During the period, the Company realized revenue of RMB5.18 billion in Southeast Asia, up 9.3% year-on-year. The Company accelerated brand premiumization in response to growing demand for large capacity, health oriented and energy efficient products. In Thailand, high end refrigerators revenue grew 165%, air-conditioners ranked first in market share, and T-door refrigerators rose to number one online. In Vietnam, the Company became number one in washing machines supported by successful launch of 601 large front-load washer. In Malaysia, retail volume market share rose 1.3 percentage points year-on-year to 6.1%, and revenue contribution of mid and high-end products reached 38%. In Indonesia, mid and high-end market share continued to grow and dual brand strategies of Candy and AQUA have been established.

6. Japan

During the period, revenue from amounted to RMB3.569 billion in Japan, up 2.2% (up 16.5% in local currency) year-on-year. The Company's combined market share for freezers, refrigerators and washing machines reached 17.3%, amongst 15.3% in refrigerators and 43.3% in freezers, ranked the Company number one in the industry. Through differentiating product portfolio, high-end revenue contribution went up by 2 percentage points to 51%. The Company became the fastest growing refrigerators business with several launches including AQUA ultra-thin T-style and Delie series, as well as 468/406 T-door and ultra-narrow 3-door series under Haier brand. The Company also grasped the pandemic-driven market opportunity of health-conscious laundry with AQUA variable-frequency washing machine, high-end heat pump front-load washers, and Haier medium and large size variable-frequency washing machines. More than 50,000 units of heat pump front-load washer-dryer combo have been sold in the first year since its launch.

INTRODUCTION OF THE INDUSTRY WHERE THE COMPANY OPERATES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

(I) Industry Overview for 2022

1. The Chinese market

In 2022, home appliance industry was sluggish amid real estate downturn, weak consumer sentiment and rising commodity prices. Data from CMM showed that the retail sales of the China's home appliance (excluding 3C & digital products) retail revenue across all channels in China was RMB799.9 billion in 2022, down 6.4% year-on-year when compared to 2021, amongst which refrigerator retail sales was RMB96.4 billion, down 1.7% year-on-year; washing machine retail sales was RMB68.1 billion, down 7.3%; thanks to hot temperature in July and August in 2022, home air-conditioner retail sales grew by 1.6% year-on-year to RMB160.1 billion; retail sales of range hoods and stoves amounted to RMB54.0 billion, down 13.9% year-on-year. Impacted property weakness and saturating penetration, water heater retail sales went down by 14.5% to RMB52.0 billion. The rise of the middle class and the growing consumer sophistication drive the popularity of new categories such as tumble dryers, whose retail sales reached RMB9.3 billion in 2022, up 22.5% year-on-year.

INTRODUCTION OF THE INDUSTRY WHERE THE COMPANY OPERATES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(I) Industry Overview for 2022 (continued)

1. The Chinese market (continued)

On the other hand, consumption momentum was weakened by lower income expectation, and people started to make fewer impulsive purchases; consumer preference is becoming polarized with high end focusing on quality and wellbeing while entry level users appreciate value-for-money offerings. Nonetheless, high end market continued to expand, for example, consumers started to appreciate compartmentalized storage and healthy preservation technologies, while built-in refrigerators that blend in well with ambience at home has become one of the main directions of appliance upgrade. According to AVC, share of refrigerators priced above RMB10,000 went up 5.4 percentage points to 37.1% in the offline market in 2022.

In a well penetrated market, appliances business ought to make dedicated effort in developing consumer insights and unlocking new opportunities with constant product innovation, while increasing value of existing users with a variety of product sets that also echo the trend of appliances and home furnishing integration. Wall-mounted washing machine, micro washers and separated laundry washers have become popular with growing number of families choose to have more than one child. New-air ventilation system and kitchen-specialised air conditions are the latest revenue drivers. According to AVC, New-air ventilation AC revenue contribution went up by 2.2 percentage points to 8.4% in 2022, and washer-dryer combo contributed 40.4% of the revenue in the offline market in the first nine months of 2022, up 5.5 percentage points year-on-year.

Export markets

In 2022, China's home appliance industry was under significant pressure caused by inflation, over-consumption from previous years and high level of inventories. According to China Household Electrical Appliances Association, total annual export was USD97.25 billion in 2022, down 6.9%; with quarterly growth of 1.8%, -1.3%, -7% and -20.2% from Q1 to Q4. Refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers and washing machines export revenue grew by -23.1%, 4.2%, -9.6% and -6.3%, respectively, in 2022.

2. Overseas markets

The global economy recovered gradually in 2022. IMF estimated global GDP growth to be 3.4% in 2022. According to Euromonitor, global home appliances retail revenue (including major appliances and small appliances) was USD518.3 billion in 2022, increased by 0.5% for the year, of which, retail sales of core appliances dropped 0.3%, while small appliances grew 1.5% year-on-year.

By market:

- (1) The U.S.: Costs remained under inflationary pressure from raw materials, commodities, logistics and labour. Competition in the home appliance industry was intense, and interest rate increases have slowed down new home constructions and home sales. Consumer confidence and spending remained subdued. Core appliances shipment went down by 6.4% in 2022.

INTRODUCTION OF THE INDUSTRY WHERE THE COMPANY OPERATES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(I) Industry Overview for 2022 (continued)

2. Overseas markets (continued)

- (2) Europe: According to GFK, overall sales volume amounted to approximately 96.27 million units in Europe, down 8.9% year-on-year due to various factors including inflation. At the same time, the energy crisis spurred rapid growth of alternative energy product such as heat pumps. Consumers continue to favour large-volume, health-conscious and energy efficient products.
- (3) South Asia: ① In India, demand for large-volume, health-conscious and variable-frequency products grew steadily in the mid-range to high-end market, whereas demand for energy-saving entry level products in third- and fourth-tier markets were on the rise. Chain retailers expanded rapidly across the country, and e-commerce channel continued to increase in revenue contribution. ② Due to flood damages and inflation in Pakistan, people's purchasing power plummeted causing appliance market volume to decline by 10%. Import policy change led to structural shortages of raw materials. However, mid and high-end products continued to grow.
- (4) Southeast Asia: As markets fully reopened economic recovery continued, however industry performances varied in the region. According to GFK, appliance industry suffered a decline in Thailand while, Vietnamese market experienced a mild growth. Demand for mid to high end products with large-volume, health-conscious, protection and sterilization features continued to dominate.
- (5) Australia & New Zealand: ① In 2022, sales volume in Australia recorded a mild increase of 3%, with falling demand in the fourth quarter due to interest rate hikes and inflation. Average unit prices rose year-on-year driven by inflation and growth in high end products. ② According to customs' data, white goods market experienced a double-digit year-on-year volume decline in New Zealand in 2022.
- (6) Japan: White goods market was sluggish in Japan due to currency depreciation and pandemic resurgence, annual sales volume of refrigerators, freezers and washing machines dropped by 1.5% year-on-year. Demand grew for large-volume, small-sized, health-conscious, energy-saving, and smart products.

INTRODUCTION OF THE INDUSTRY WHERE THE COMPANY OPERATES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(II) Industry Outlook for 2023

1. The Chinese market

Domestic GDP is expected to accelerate in 2023 after re-opening, positive for income prospects and confidence. Market momentum could benefit from concrete housing demand unleashed by policy support in the property sector, appliances replacement & upgrade, and green & smart appliance initiatives.

CMM estimates appliance retail sales to grow 5% in 2023, with new opportunities from the home improvement channel unlocked by appliances and interior integration; and growing traffic from social media platforms such as TikTok and Xiaohongshu.

Export market

Home appliance exports is expected to stay flat in 2023 as fundamental improvements remain less likely for global economy, particularly in Europe and the US. Sequential recovery could be expected in the second half as inflationary pressure, inventory build-up and high comps should start to ease. The pandemic and Russia-Ukraine conflict will continue to reshape global supply chains, with accelerated manufacturing localization that could affect China's export in the long run.

2. The Global Market

According to IMF's World Economic Outlook, global economic recovery is slow amid tightening monetary policy and financial conditions worldwide. The global GDP is forecasted to grow at 2.9% in 2023.

Euromonitor forecasts global core appliance industry will exceed USD290 billion in 2023, up 2.5% year-on-year. Recovery of high-end market offline could accelerate innovation and promote appliance connectivity; demand remain strong for efficient products amid energy shortage; on the other hand, regional instabilities could put global appliance supply chain under pressure.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE COMPANY DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

Founded in 1984, the Company is committed to being an enterprise of the times. Through relentless innovation and iterations, we seize opportunities in the industry by continuously launching new products that steer market development. After more than 30 years, the Company has become a global leader in the major home appliance industry, as well as a pioneer in global smart home solutions.

- Global leader of the major home appliance industry: According to data from Euromonitor — an authoritative market researcher, the Company ranked first in terms of sales volume in global major appliance market for 13 consecutive years. The Company has a global portfolio of brands, including Haier, Casarte, Leader, GE Appliances, Candy, Fisher&Paykel and AQUA. From 2008 to 2022, Haier brand refrigerators and washing machines ranked first among global major home appliance brands in sales volume for 15 and 14 consecutive years respectively.
- Pioneer of global smart home solutions: Capitalizing on our full-range home appliances products, the Company is recognized by Euromonitor as one of the first in the industry to introduce smart home solutions. Three-Winged Bird focuses on customising smart home experience, by building up five core competencies including the Smart Home Brain, scenario-based solutions, experiential stores, the Three-Winged Bird interior design tool and the digital platform, we provide end-to-end and full life cycle services that “design a home, build a home and serve a home” for users.

Over the years, the Company has established three business segments, namely the Chinese Smart Home Business, the Overseas Home Appliance and Smart Home Business, and Other Business

Smart Home Business in China

The Company provides a full range of home appliance products and value-added services in China market through Haier Smart Home APP and Three-Winged Bird APP, supplemented by our offline experience centres, in order to cater for users’ needs for different lifestyle scenarios. Smart Home Business in China comprises Household Food Storage and Cooking Solutions (Internet of Food), Household Laundry Solutions (Internet of Clothing), Air Solutions (Internet of Air), and Household Water Solutions (Internet of Water).

- Household Food Storage and Cooking Solutions (Internet of Food): Through selling in domestic market and exporting products such as refrigerators, freezers, kitchen appliances, as well as providing one-stop smart kitchen scenario solutions and ecosystem solutions including smart cooking and nutrition planning, the Company fully addresses users’ need for convenient, healthy and tasteful gourmet experiences.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE COMPANY DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

Smart Home Business in China (continued)

- Household Laundry Solutions (Internet of Clothing): Haier's washing machine focuses on applying original technologies to directly solve users' pain points in home living scenarios, and create new experiences and value for users. With a product lineup of washing machines, tumble dryers, all-in-one laundry machines, garment care machines, and heated drying racks, the Company has evolved from selling individual products to providing scenario-based solutions, and offering end-to-end laundry care services. For example, the Zhongzihemei (中子和美) three-in-one washer combines washing, drying, and fabric care functions into a single unit, and the Essence Wash washing machine reduces washing time and improves cleaning effectiveness by producing a highly concentrated detergent solution that can quickly soak into clothes through detergent pre-mixing and high pressure spraying.

- Air Solutions (Internet of Air):

Home air conditioners: Through domestic sales in China and exports, the Company provides products such as home air-conditioners and fresh air systems, as well as a comprehensive range of full-cycle solutions including coordination of multiple air-conditioners and purifiers, adaptive air flow, air quality monitoring and air disinfection, thereby delivering a healthy and comfortable experience at home and during commute that caters to the user needs in terms of air temperature, humidity and quality.

Commercial air conditioners: The Company is committed to becoming a leader in efficient, sustainable and smart building solutions based on the state's "carbon peaking and carbon neutrality" strategy. Focusing on the business areas of smart control, environment, energy and system integration of buildings, the Company provides green and smart building solutions integrating "technology + experience + space" for government and commercial buildings, railways, schools, and hospitals.

- Household Water Solutions (Internet of Water): Through selling in domestic market and exporting, the Company provides users with electric water heaters, gas water heaters, solar water heaters, air energy heat pump water heaters, POE water purifiers, POU water purifiers, water softening equipment, at the same time, we offer smart water solutions including interactions between water heaters and purifiers, and between heating appliances and water heaters, so as to comprehensively cater to users' needs for water purification, softening and heating.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES OF THE COMPANY DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

Overseas Home Appliance and Smart Home Business

In addition, the Company manufactures and sells a comprehensive portfolio of home appliance products and provides value-added services in more than 200 countries and regions, including North America, Europe, South Asia and Southeast Asia, Australia and New Zealand, Japan, Middle East and Africa.

In the overseas market, the Company has been manufacturing and selling proprietary appliance products catering for local users' demands for more than 20 years. During the time, a number of acquisitions contributed to our growth including acquisition of Haier Group Corporation's overseas white goods business (Sanyo Electric Co., Ltd.'s white goods business in Japan and Southeast Asia) in 2015, home appliances of GE in the US in 2016, Fisher&Paykel in 2018, and Candy in 2019. The development of the Company's overseas businesses has been fuelled by synergies among our self-developed business and our acquired businesses.

At present, the overseas business of the Company has entered a stage of promising growth, having achieved a multi-brand, cross-product and cross-regional presence on a global basis. According to Euromonitor, the Company's share of the global market (retail volume) for major home appliances in key regions in 2022 is as follows: ranked first in Asia in terms of retail volume, with a 21.4% market share; ranked second in America, with a market share of 15.6%; ranked second in Australia and New Zealand, with a market share of 12.8%. The Company ranked third in Middle East and Africa with a market share of 7.5%, and ranked fourth in Europe with a market share of 8.3%.

Other Businesses

Building on our established smart home businesses, the Company has also developed small home appliances, channel distribution and other businesses. In particular, the small home appliance business primarily involves small home appliances designed by the Company, produced by outsourced third-party manufacturers and sold under the Company's brands, which serve to enrich our smart home solutions product mix. The channel distribution business primarily offers distribution services for products such as televisions and user electronics for the Haier Group or third-party brands, which leverages the Company's sales network.

During the reporting period, the Company was once again listed among the Top 500 World's Companies and named again as the 2022 World's Most Admired Companies by the Fortune Magazine. We are the only company being selected in Europe and Asia in the home appliances industry, and are the only selected company incorporated outside the US. Meanwhile, the Company is also the world's only Internet-of-Things (IoT) ecosystem brand being named again as BrandZ™ Top 100 Most Valuable Global Brands in 2022.

At the same time, the Company was named among Fortune's first China ESG Impact list and Forbes' The World's Best Employers 2022 list. The Company's ESG effort has also been recognized by external rating agencies, receiving an MSCI ESG rating of BBB and a Wind ESG rating of AAA, both of which are at leading levels in China. Thanks to the above performance, Haier Smart Home was selected into the three major ESG indices of the Hang Seng Index, including the HSI ESG Enhanced Index, the HSI ESG Enhanced Select Index and the HSCEI ESG Enhanced Index.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

The Company has established a solid strategic presence and competitive advantage in China and overseas markets. In China's major home appliance market, the Company has long maintained a leading position across all product categories. According to CMM's report, the Company has established a continued leading market position in key major home appliance categories in 2022. In overseas markets, the Company has adhered to its high-end brand creation strategy, building capacity to create leading sustainable growth, which has continuously improved its market share. Building on this foundation, the Company will further consolidate its leadership position in the industry by leveraging integrated synergies of its global unified platforms, through efficiency transformation driven by digitalization, and by leveraging its technological strength and innovative capabilities. As cornerstone for sustainable development, our 'Rendanheyi (人單合一)' Model also provided management guidance to the Company, and enabled us to replicate successful experiences. It is believed that the following advantages will help the Company to continue to strengthen its leading position:

(i) Dominance in China's high-end market; rapid growth of overseas high-end brands

Riding the trend of consumption upgrade in China, the Company has started to develop the high-end brand Casarte in the Chinese market more than 10 years ago. The creation of high-end brands required not only focus, experience and patience, but also continuous innovation of technological standards and differentiated service capabilities to fulfil user demand for high-quality experiences. The Casarte brand combined the Company's global technological strengths, product development capabilities and manufacturing craftsmanship, as well as privilege marketing and differentiation services, which has won the trust of users in China's high-end market. According to data from CMM, the Casarte brand has assumed a definitive leading position in China's high-end major home appliance market in 2022, ranking first in the retail sales of refrigerator, washing machine and air conditioner categories in the high-end segment. Specifically, in terms of offline retail sales, shares of the Casarte brand of washing machines and refrigerators reached 77.2% and 38.5% respectively in the market with product price above RMB10,000 in China, while its share of air conditioners priced above RMB15,000 in the China's market reached 30.6%. Our overall average price for Casarte refrigerators, air conditioners and washing machines is two to three times the average price of the industry.

In the North American market, the Company owns high-end brands such as Monogram, Café, and GE Profile. We enhanced our high-end brand profile through launching leading products including high-end steam ovens, drawer-style microwave ovens and lift-up cooker hoods. Through the creation of luxurious, customizable and smart technology-enabled user experience, our high-end brands Monogram, Café and GE Profile have grown rapidly.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(ii) Smart household solutions that continue to expand and upgrade

As users continued to demand for higher living quality, coupled with the development of technologies such as Internet of Things, big data, cloud computing and artificial intelligence, the industry has shown a smart and high-end development trend that prioritized product suites, based upon scenarios, and home appliances integrated with home furnishings. With leading user insights, extensive product coverage and technological accumulation from intelligent AI algorithms, home big data and IoT equipment technology, the Company provided scenario solutions on whole-house water usage, air, and smart control for five major spaces at home including the living room, kitchen, bathroom, bedroom and balcony.

First of all, the Smart Home Brain created the best intelligent experience for users by upgrading the brain technology system. Through iteration of the whole-house sensing system, we unified data collection from multiple devices and constructed a whole-house sensing service model. At the same time, through software and hardware integration and end-to-end cloud integration, we enabled diversified and multi-modal voice and image interactions which opened up a new form of multi-dimensional connectivity.

Secondly, in terms of our capabilities in scenario solutions, Three-Winged Bird continued to build insightful smart scenarios that boosted health, comfort, safety and energy efficiency based on its strategic focus on tailored smart home experience. We addressed user needs on intelligence through the design and implementation of nine thematic scenarios of kitchen, sleep, ambience, low carbon, air, water, cleaning, security, and perception.

In addition, Three-Winged Bird's interior design tool focused on "building a home", providing users with smart home appliances + smart home solutions. The VR function allowed users to virtually visualise the look, size and style of their smart appliances from different viewing angles. The Three-Winged Bird interior design tool has now facilitated more than 30,000 localised design solutions.

Finally, Three-Winged Bird's digital platform is integrated with the Three-Winged Bird APP and the Smart Home APP to offer full life cycle service for users, thereby enhancing the value added to active users and increasing conversion of scenario-based transactions.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(iii) Extensive and solid global presence with localized operational capability

In addition to success in the Chinese market, the Company also prospered in overseas markets. The Company seeks overseas expansion of its own brands as well as synergies with acquired brands to develop overseas markets. Such business strategy has guided the Company to establish R&D, manufacturing and marketing three-in-one structure across multiple brands, products and regions, as well as the model of self-development, interconnection and synergized operation.

The Company's extensive global presence depends on its localized business teams as well as its flexible and autonomous management mechanisms established in various overseas markets, which have enabled the Company to gain rapid insights and respond swiftly to local user demands. The Company also proactively integrates into local markets and cultures, and has established a corporate image that is recognized by local communities in the overseas regions where the Company operates.

In 2022, the Company established 10+N innovative ecosystems, 122 manufacturing centres, and 108 marketing centres around the world, and achieved a coverage of nearly 230,000 point of sales in overseas markets.

(iv) A comprehensive portfolio of proprietary brands recognised by users of all tiers

Through organic growth and acquisitions, the Company has formed seven brand clusters, including Haier, Casarte, Leader, GE Appliances, Candy, Fisher&Paykel and AQUA. To address the needs of users from different tiers in various markets around the world, the Company has adopted a differentiated multi-brand strategy in different regions that centred around users, so as to achieve an extensive and in-depth user coverage. For example, in the Chinese market: the three brands of Casarte, Haier and Leader achieved the coverage of high-end, mainstream and niche market groups respectively; in the U.S. market, the six major brands such as Monogram, Café, GE Profile, GE, Haier, Hotpoint comprehensively covered all segments of high-end, mid-range and low-end markets, thereby meeting the preferences and needs of different types of users.

(v) Cross-border acquisition and synergy realisation capabilities

The Company has an excellent track record of acquisition and integration. The Company has acquired Haier Group Corporation's overseas white goods business, including Sanyo Electric Co., Ltd.'s white goods businesses in Japan and Southeast Asia in 2015, the home appliance business of General Electric in the US in 2016, the New Zealand company Fisher&Paykel (which has been entrusted by the Haier Group since 2015) in 2018, and the Italian company Candy in 2019. The Company's capability to perform acquisition and integration is reflected in the following: First of all, the Company implements the 'Rendanheyi (人單合一)' Model in the acquired companies, which is a value-added sharing mechanism for the whole-process team under a common goal. Such model can motivate the acquired companies and their employees, and enable them to generate more value. Secondly, the Company made use of its global platform to empower the acquired companies in terms of strategic planning, R&D and procurement in order to enhance their competitiveness. Thirdly, the Company's open and inclusive corporate culture can support the acquired companies in establishing a flexible and autonomous management mechanism, which can easily earn recognition from the acquired companies and is conducive to the promotion of integration.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(vi) Comprehensive and in-depth global collaborations and empowerment

The Company has made full use of its global collaborative platform, as well as its integrated functions of R&D, product development, procurement, supply chain, sales and brand marketing. It was able to share and expand its successful market development experience to various markets around the world. By strengthening the synergies among its global businesses, the Company has created a strong driving force for its future development.

- **Global collaborative R&D:** The Company has a global collaborative R&D system and has established global technology R&D mechanisms to share common modules, utilize common technologies, and share patents within the scope of compliance. For example, the Company's R&D team in China joined hands with FPA's and CANDY's R&D teams to develop the H2O spray technology, which has been applied to freestanding and built-in dishwashers of Haier, Fisher&Paykel, CANDY and HOOVER, hence strengthening the Company's overall leadership in product performance.
- **Global collaborative product development:** The Company has established a global product development mechanism to coordinate global collaborative product development, which can enable regional collaboration and supplementation across product categories. For example, the R&D teams in South Asia and China embarked on a 10-month collaboration, breaking away from the traditional product development model by innovating on team organisation, quality control, product testing and cost control leveraging complementary local resources. The HRT-683 refrigerator jointly developed by this collaboration has become a local mainstream high-end product.
- **Global collaborative procurement:** The Company has established a global procurement guidance committee to coordinate global procurement activities. The committee has built a global digital sourcing platform that brought together partners across industries and regions to develop an autonomous and controlled global supply chain ecosystem. The committee also created a global database of preferred suppliers and materials to achieve cost reduction by aggregating common resources at the Group level. By unifying procurement rules and processes, the Company established a standardised operating system with differentiated procurement strategies to enhance procurement efficiency while lowering risks. We have also developed a Group-level digital procurement platform to enhance shared capabilities through connecting "materials, businesses, people and mechanisms" to the platform, thereby improving the resilience of our global supply chain.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(vi) Comprehensive and in-depth global collaborations and empowerment (continued)

- Global collaborative supply chain:** The Company has built an end-to-end digital management system for the global supply chain that spanned from marketing to suppliers to production and logistics. Using intelligent algorithms, the system enabled real-time flexible deployment of global production capacity, and factories across the globe could share and develop smart manufacturing technologies to boost manufacturing competitiveness.
- Global collaborative marketing and brand promotion:** the Company operates a multi-level brand portfolio on a global scale, which can realize global collaborative brand promotion. The Company also promotes and introduces successful marketing strategies among regional markets around the world. For example, the Company successfully replicated its sales and marketing model from third and fourth-tier markets in China, in markets such as India, Pakistan, and Thailand, which have strengthened the Company's brand image and its regional market competitiveness.

(vii) Industry-leading R&D and technological capabilities

To ensure better living experience for users, the Company has established a global leading R&D system under the premise of developing original technologies. In early 2022, the Company established a science and technology committee to leverage our technological innovation system and strengthen our enterprises' innovation capabilities, which have facilitated our high-end brands, scenario brands and ecosystem brands to achieve leadership positions.

- Leadership in terms of original technologies:** In 2022, the Company has innovated a range of solutions that exceeded users' expectations and made technology more integral to everyday life. For example, the seamless built-in refrigerator adopted the innovative bottom heat dissipation technology to realise a zero-gap integration with the cabinet. The use of the dual-axis variable hinges allowed the fridge door to be opened to 113° without hitting surrounding walls. By advancing the foam layer technology, the thickness of the whole fridge was reduced to 600mm which matched the international standard depth of cabinets, hence enabling the refrigerator to be flush with the cabinet.
- Certification from state authorities:** As of the end of 2022, the Company received a total of 16 State Science and Technology Progress Award and 245 leading international achievements, more than any other company in the industry. Haier Smart Home was among the first batch of "Leading Digital Enterprises" selected by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology. The HOPE Platform was selected by Innovation China as one of the "Top 10 Industry-Academia Collaboration Organisations" and part of the first batch of Innovation Bases. The Platform also earned the Golden Bridge Award from the China Technology Market Association, was named as the only five-star technology service organisation in the home appliance industry, and became the Model National Public Service Platforms for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

(vii) Industry-leading R&D and technological capabilities (continued)

- Leadership in terms of patent quality:** As of the end of 2022, Haier Smart Home has accumulated more than 92,000 patents applications globally, including more than 59,000 invention patents. The number of overseas invention patents exceeded 16,000, covering more than 30 countries, making us the Chinese home appliance enterprise with the largest number of overseas patents. The Company also accumulated 11 state patent gold awards, ranking first in the domestic market. In the ‘Global Smart Home Invention Patent Ranking’ in 2022, Haier Smart Home once again topped the list with 5,691 published patent applications, ranking first in the world for the eighth consecutive times.
- Leadership in terms of international standards:** As of the end of 2022, Haier Smart Home has cumulatively led and participated in the formulation of 92 international standards and 637 state/industrial standards. We are the only company in the industry to obtain comprehensive coverage of smart home standards from international organizations including the IEC, ISO, IEEE, OCF and Matter. We are also the only enterprise in the world to serve on both the IEC Council Board and the IEC Market Strategy Board, which have enabled the Company to stay actively involved in international standardization efforts and have a voice in the formulation of standards.
- Leadership in terms of experience design:** In the Red Dot Design Awards 2022, Haier Smart Home broke its own record and earned 56 product design awards, once again topped the industry with the highest cumulative number of awards. Haier Smart Home also won 42 accolades from the German iF Design Awards, ranking first in the industry. The Company has cumulatively received more than 500 international design awards, as well as 5 China Excellent Industrial Design Awards, which is the only enterprise in China that have earned three consecutive gold awards.

(viii) Staying committed to the principle of ‘value of people comes first’

‘Value of people comes first’ has always been a guiding principle for Haier’s development. From the autonomous operation team at the start of the venture to the current ‘Rendanheyi’ (人單合一) model, Haier encourages every employee to maximize their own values while creating values for users. In Haier’s ‘Rendanheyi’ (人單合一) model, ‘Ren’ refers to creators; ‘Dan’ refers to user value; ‘Heyi’ refers to the integration of values realized by employees and the values created for users. ‘Value of people comes first’ is the highest purpose of the ‘Rendanheyi’ (人單合一) model.

Haier Smart Home adheres to the values of recognizing users’ demand as priority and denying our own perceptions, and is committed to the ‘two creative spirits’ of entrepreneurship and innovation. We turned employees into creators, implementers into entrepreneurs, and transformed enterprises into open ecosystem platforms, which have supported the Company to become a global leader of smart home in the Internet of Things era.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

Development Strategy of the Company

It is the Company's development strategy to become a user-oriented digital enterprise in the IoT era and achieve leadership as the world's first IoT-based smart home ecosystem brand.

Through product & solution upgrades and scenario innovation of competitive refrigerator, washing machine and water heater businesses, the Company continues to enhance user value and achieve market growth and business expansion. By accelerating end-to-end transformation of the home air conditioner and kitchen appliance businesses, the Company enhance business competitiveness, achieve rapid revenue growth, and improve profitability. The Company will forge new paths for growth by capitalising on the replacement demand for energy-efficient products and focusing on smart buildings. By accelerating growth in new product categories such as tumble dryers and dishwashers, and actively expanding into new business areas such as lifestyle appliances and cleaning appliances, the Company establishes a second growth curve. The Company develops a competitive edge for today's world by strengthening the Three-Winged Bird scenario brand, enhancing competitiveness in high-end suite products, design & installation & service capabilities in home improvement channels, and store digitalisation.

Operation Plan

In 2023, the Company will press ahead with the three-level brand upgrade strategy of "high-end brand → scenario brand → ecosystem brand", improving operational efficiency through end-to-end digital transformation, and implementing profit-oriented institutional changes to improve operational quality.

In the domestic market: ① By focusing on user experience, transforming retail touch points with digital platforms that integrate the five networks of distribution channel, marketing, service, logistics and recycling, the Company will integrate online and offline touch points, digitalise all processes of user engagement, transaction, and delivery, and reach users more precisely. Through reconstructing "objectives, models, mechanisms and organisations", the Company will build an efficient system to manage resources and improve cost efficiency. ② The Three-Winged Bird scenario brand, backed by its strong footholds of the Smart Home Brain, scenario-based solutions, along with digitalised design tools, store operation and platforms, will create customised design solutions for users while enhancing store efficiency and user value for the business.

In the overseas markets: By pursuing high-end transformation, leveraging innovative spirit, and proactively creating opportunities even amid difficult industry conditions, the Company aims to become the number one company in the global market. The Company will ① adhere to high-end brand strategy by launching differentiated new products to meet user needs; ② prioritise localisation and develop regional markets to become self-sustainable; ③ capitalise on industry trends and cultivate room for growth by accelerating innovation of new products such as built-in units and heat pumps; and ④ strengthen global competitiveness through leveraging synergies across global platforms in branding, R&D, procurement, supply chain, and human resources.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

Possible Risks

- 1. Risk of decreasing market demand due to macroeconomic slowdown.** Sales of white goods as durable consumer appliances are subject to users' income levels and their expectations of future income growth which will have a certain impact on their willingness to purchase products. A slowdown in macroeconomic growth causing a decline in users' purchasing power will have a negative impact on industry growth. In addition, a slowdown in real estate market will also have a negative impact on market demand, which will indirectly affect end-user demand for home appliances.
- 2. Risk of price war caused by intensified industry competitions.** The white goods industry is highly competitive with a high degree of product homogeneity, industry concentration has continued to increase in recent years. However, the increase in industry inventory capacity in individual sub-sectors due to the demand-supply imbalance may lead to risks such as price wars. Furthermore, rapid technological advancements, scarce talents in the industry, shortened product life cycles and ease of imitation are making it increasingly difficult to profit. Although new products, services and technologies are often associated with higher selling prices, it has become necessary for the Company to invest more in R&D. The Company will actively invest in R&D to attract more users through continuous innovation in products and services, to build a lasting brand awareness.
- 3. Risk of fluctuations in raw material prices.** The Company's products and core components use metal raw materials such as steel, aluminium, and copper, as well as commodities such as plastics and foam. If the prices of raw materials continue to surge, it will put certain pressure on the Company's production and operations. In addition, the Company relies on third party manufacturers and suppliers for key raw materials, components, and manufacturing equipment, as well as OEM suppliers, and any disruption in supply or significant price increases by these suppliers will have a negative impact on the Company's business. As a leader in the industry, the Company will take measures including volume & price adjustment mechanism as well as hedging to reduce the risk of raw material fluctuations on its operations.
- 4. Operational risks in overseas business.** The Company has steadily developed its global business and has established production bases, R&D centres, and marketing centres in many parts of the world, with the proportion of overseas revenue increasing year by year. Overseas markets are subject to political and economic situations (including events such as military conflicts and wars), legal systems and regulatory regimes of those countries and regions. Significant changes in these factors will pose certain risks to the Company's local operations in these markets. The Company has taken various measures to mitigate the relevant impacts, including collaborating with suppliers and distributors, improving production efficiency to offset the impact on the overall cost of sales, potentially expanding the Company's supply resources to other countries, and adopting safety measures to protect its people and assets.

ANALYSIS OF CORE COMPETITIVENESS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD (continued)

Possible Risks (continued)

- 5. Risk of exchange rate fluctuations.** As the Company expands its global footprint, the import and export of the Company's products involve the exchange of foreign currencies such as the U.S. dollar, the Euro, and the Japanese yen. If the exchange rates of the relevant currencies fluctuate, it will have a certain impact on the Company's financial position and increase its financial costs. In addition, the Company's consolidated financial statements are denominated in Renminbi, while the financial statements of its subsidiaries are measured and reported in the currency of their primary economic environment in which the entity operates and are therefore subject to currency exchange risk. In this regard, the Company uses hedging instruments to reduce its exposure to exchange rate fluctuations.
- 6. Risk of policy changes.** The home appliance industry is closely related to the consumer market and the real estate market. Changes in macroeconomic policies, consumption investment policies, real estate policies and relevant laws and regulations will affect product demand from distributors, which in turn will affect product sales of the Company. The Company will closely monitor changes in the relevant policies, laws, and regulations, and make forecasts of market changes, in order to ensure further development of the Company.
- 7. Credit risk.** There is possibility that the Company will be unable to collect all trade receivables from its distributors, or distributors are not able to settle the Company's trade receivables in a timely manner, in which the Company's business, financial status, and operation performance may be affected. In relation to this risk, the Company will maintain flexibility by offering credit period of 30 to 90 days to certain distributors based on their credit history and transaction amount.
- 8. Inventory risk.** Excess inventory might occur as the Company cannot always accurately predict trends and events and maintain appropriate inventory levels; thus, the Company may be forced to offer discounts or promotions to manage the slow-moving inventory. On the other hand, a shortage of inventory may lead to loss of sales opportunities for the Company. However, the Company will manage its inventory and adjust according to market situation and will conduct regular impairment assessment of its inventory.
- 9. Risk of changes in retail channels.** The retail channel landscape in China is experiencing a major shift. National retail chains, which previously dominated first- and second-tier markets, are shrinking in size. As these chains accounted for a significant share of mid-range to high-end product sales, their decline will impact high-end sales for a certain period.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

In 2022, the Group's revenue amounted to approximately RMB243,485 million, representing an increase of 7.2% from RMB227,081 million (restated) in 2021. The profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company was RMB14,711 million, representing an increase of 12.5% from RMB13,079 million (restated) in 2021.

1. ANALYSIS OF REVENUE AND PROFIT

Items	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)	Change %
Revenue			
Smart Home Business in China	126,359	120,774	4.6
Refrigerator/Freezers	43,182	41,730	3.5
Kitchen Appliances	3,764	3,495	7.7
Air-conditioners	33,944	32,189	5.5
Laundry Appliances	31,614	30,659	3.1
Water Appliances	13,855	12,701	9.1
Smart Home Business Overseas	125,424	113,725	10.3
Other Businesses	84,242	91,708	(8.1)
Inter-segment eliminations	(92,540)	(99,126)	(6.6)
Consolidated revenue	243,485	227,081	7.2
Adjusted operation profit*	15,011	13,568	10.6
Profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company	14,711	13,079	12.5
Earnings per share attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company			
Basic			
— Profit for the year	RMB1.58	RMB1.41	12.1
Diluted			
— Profit for the year	RMB1.57	RMB1.40	12.1

1. ANALYSIS OF REVENUE AND PROFIT (continued)

The following table summarises our revenue by geographical location for the periods indicated:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)	Change %
China	116,726	111,842	4.4
Other countries/regions	126,759	115,239	10.0
Total	243,485	227,081	7.2

* Adjusted operation profit is defined as profit before taxation less interest income and expenses, exchange gains or losses, investment gains or losses, gain on disposal of subsidiaries, government incentives and share of profits or losses of associates.

In 2022, the Group's revenue increased by 7.2% from approximately RMB227,081 million (restated) to RMB243,485 million. The Group's steady revenue growth was driven by: (1) our high-end brands and the Three-Winged Bird scenario brand which boosted suite product sales and transactions; (2) overseas market expansions through leveraging globalized supply chain system and R&D platform to launch leading products and increase the price index of overseas products; (3) the development of new product categories including tumble dryers, dishwashers, heat pumps and home cleaning robots.

Revenue from the Smart Home Business in China increased by 4.6% from approximately RMB120,774 million in 2021 to approximately RMB126,359 million in 2022. Growth was driven by: (1) increasing market shares of refrigerators, washing machines, air conditioners, and water heaters, which outperformed industry growth; (2) an expanded e-commerce and franchised store distribution network, which showed positive growth momentum; (3) increased suite product sales and average ticket price from Three-Winged Bird scenario-based solutions; (4) enhanced user engagement and conversions through services and designs for urban communities, and in-home services for rural households.

(1) Household Food Solutions

Revenue from the refrigerator/freezers increased by 3.5% from approximately RMB41,730 million in 2021 to approximately RMB43,182 million in 2022. The refrigerator/freezer business spearheaded the industry trends in freshness preservation, large-volume products and smart connectivity. We served a variety of user needs through the brand matrix of Casarte, Haier and Leader, and achieved growth in market share and revenue.

Revenue from the kitchen appliances increased by 7.7% from approximately RMB3,495 million in 2021 to approximately RMB3,764 million in 2022. The kitchen appliance business accelerated high-end growth by expanding the Casarte product portfolio, which increased Casarte's market share.

1. ANALYSIS OF REVENUE AND PROFIT (continued)

(2) Household Air Solutions

Revenue from the air-conditioners increased by 5.5% from approximately RMB32,189 million in 2021 to approximately RMB33,944 million in 2022. The home air conditioner business achieved substantial increase in market share by strengthening its distribution network, boosting reputation among distributors and consumers, increasing in-house production of components, and deepening supply chain integration. The commercial air conditioner business achieved rapid growth by expanding from HVAC equipment into energy management and smart integrated solutions for property buildings.

(3) Household Clothing Solutions

Revenue from the laundry appliances increased by 3.1% from approximately RMB30,659 million in 2021 to approximately RMB31,614 million in 2022. The washing machine business strengthened high-end market leadership through product innovation, and the Group's washing machine market share continued to grow. The business also captured new growth opportunities in tumble dryers, with tumble dryer revenue soaring more than 80% in 2022.

(4) Household Water Solutions

Revenue from the water appliances increased by 9.1% from approximately RMB12,701 million in 2021 to approximately RMB13,855 million in 2022. The Group's water heater business continued to gain market share through product innovation. The water purification business strengthened competitiveness through product innovation and enhanced supply chain capability with revenue increase of 9%.

(5) Smart Home Business Overseas

Revenue from smart home business overseas increased by 10.3% from approximately RMB113,725 million in 2021 to approximately RMB125,424 million in 2022. The Group leveraged its globalized R&D platform for rapid product iterations, leading to a growing proportion of high-end products. Its globalized supply chain strategy enabled flexible supply and efficient synergies in production to swiftly cater to local demand.

Profit for the Year Attributable to Owners of the Company

In 2022, the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company was approximately RMB14,711 million, representing an increase of 12.5% from approximately RMB13,079 million (restated) in 2021.

1. ANALYSIS OF REVENUE AND PROFIT (continued)

Adjusted Operating Profit

Adjusted operating profit was defined as profit before tax, net of interest income and expenses, net foreign exchange gains or losses, investment gains and losses (including dividend income from equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income, return on investment in other financial assets), gains on disposal of subsidiaries, government grants and share of profits and losses of associates. By excluding these items, it is easier for the management and investors to compare the Group's financial results over multiple periods and analyse the trends of its operations.

Adjusted operating profit is used as a non-IFRS measure to evaluate the Group's results of operations. This measure provides investors with valuable information of the Group's ongoing operation performance because it reveals its business trends that may be obscured by the net effect of realized capital gains and losses, fair value changes on derivative financial instruments, gains and losses on disposal of operations and other significant non-recurring or unusual items.

In 2022, the adjusted operating profit of the Group was approximately RMB15,011 million, representing an increase of 10.6% as compared to approximately RMB13,568 million (restated) in 2021. The increase in adjusted operating profit was driven by growth in the Group's China business segments and its overseas home appliances and smart home businesses.

The following table sets forth the reconciliation between the Group's adjusted operating profit and profit before tax prepared in accordance with IFRS in 2022 and 2021:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Profit before tax	17,790	15,937
Adjustments:		
Bank interest income	(826)	(539)
Foreign exchange (gains)/losses	(371)	577
Government grants	(767)	(719)
Return on investments in other financial assets	(192)	(453)
Dividend income from an equity investment designated at fair value through other comprehensive income	(32)	(59)
Gain on disposal of subsidiaries	(4)	(2)
Finance costs	995	714
Share of profits or losses of associates	(1,582)	(1,888)
Adjusted operating profit	15,011	13,568

1. ANALYSIS OF REVENUE AND PROFIT (continued)

Gross Profit Margins

In 2022, the overall gross profit margin of the Group was approximately 30.6%, remains basically the same from approximately 30.6% (restated) in 2021.

In 2022, the gross profit margin of the Smart Home Business in China increased by 0.6 percentage points year-on-year. The domestic market achieved higher gross profit margin year-on-year due to improved product mix, globalised R&D, digital transformation of procurement and R&D processes, and lower commodity prices in the second half of the year.

Gross profit margin of Overseas Smart Home Business decreased by 0.4 percentage points year-on-year. This was mainly due to rising commodity prices partially offsetting the positive impacts of product mix optimisation and price increases in overseas markets, resulting in a year-on-year decline in gross profit margin.

Selling and Distribution Expenses

The ratio of selling and distribution expenses of the Group to its revenue was 15.9% in 2022, this was a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from 2021. The optimization of selling expense ratio was driven by implementation of digital initiatives to enhance operational efficiency in marketing, logistics and warehouses.

Administrative Expenses

The ratio of administrative expenses of the Group to its revenue was 8.9% in 2022, which remains the same as 2021. On one hand, the Group advanced digital transformation, optimizing processes on its digital platforms to enhance organizational efficiency, which reduced the administrative expense ratio by 0.2 percentage points; on the other hand, the Group increased R&D investment in IoT, big data applications and energy-efficient technologies, which enhanced its competitiveness in artificial intelligence and led to a 0.2 percentage point increase in administrative expense ratio.

2. FINANCIAL POSITION

Items	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Non-current assets	105,460	93,825
Current assets	130,383	123,916
Current liabilities	118,747	125,016
Non-current liabilities	22,382	11,450
Net assets	94,714	81,275

Cash and Cash Equivalents and Wealth Management Products from Other Financial Assets

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's total balance of cash and cash equivalents and wealth management products from other financial assets increased by 15.4% from RMB47,684 million (restated) as at 31 December 2021 to RMB55,026 million as at 31 December 2022. The increase was mainly due to net cash inflow from operating activities partially offset by net cash outflow from investing activities and financing activities.

Items	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cash and cash equivalents	53,369	45,198
Wealth management products from other financial assets — Current portion	1,657	2,486
Total	55,026	47,684

Net Assets

The Group's net assets increased by 16.5% from RMB81,275 million (restated) as at 31 December 2021 to RMB94,714 million as at 31 December 2022. The net asset increase was mainly driven by profit growth during the year.

2. FINANCIAL POSITION (continued)

Working Capital

Trade and Bills Receivables Turnover Days

The Group's trade and bills receivables turnover days as at the end of 2022 was 40 days, representing a decrease of 7 days as compared to the end of 2021. This was mainly due to the Group's effective control over its trade and bills receivables.

Inventory Turnover Days

The Group's inventory turnover days as at the end of 2022 was 88 days, representing an increase of 8 days as compared to the end of 2021. This was mainly driven by higher inventory costs, which resulted from rising raw material and shipping costs overseas, as well as increased stockpiling.

Trade and Bills Payable Turnover Days

The Group's settlement policy with suppliers remained stable. As at the end of 2022, trade and bills payable turnover days was 145 days, which remained largely unchanged as compared to the end of 2021.

3. CASH FLOW ANALYSIS

Items	Note	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the statement of cash flows at the beginning of the year		45,198	45,789
Net cash flow from operating activities		20,153	23,237
Net cash flow used in investing activities	(a)	(8,920)	(8,063)
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(b)	(3,822)	(15,660)
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net		760	(105)
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the statement of cash flows at the end of the year		53,369	45,198

3. CASH FLOW ANALYSIS (continued)

Net cash inflow from operating activities for the year amounted to RMB20,153 million. Net cash flow from operation activities to net profit was 1.37. This was mainly benefited from the Group's improvement in working capital management in China.

- (a) Net cash outflow from investing activities for the year amounted to RMB8,920 million, representing an increase of 10.6% as compared to last year, with the details as follows:

Items	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Payment for purchases of non-current assets	(8,204)	(7,372)
Purchase of wealth management products	(110)	(237)
Net cash outflow for subsidiaries acquisition and disposal	(240)	(220)
Cash from disposal of fixed assets and leasehold land	229	290
Dividend from an associate	523	553
Interest received from wealth management products	136	4
Acquisition of minority interest in a subsidiary	—	(263)
Purchase of equity investments designated as at fair value through other comprehensive income	(1,028)	(740)
Net cash outflow from other investing activities	(226)	(78)
Net cash flow used in investing activities	(8,920)	(8,063)

3. CASH FLOW ANALYSIS (continued)

- (b) Net cash outflow in financing activities for the year amounted to RMB3,822 million, representing a decrease of 75.6% as compared to last year, with details as follows:

Items	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Proceeds from borrowings	18,360	12,053
Repayment of borrowings	(14,688)	(19,550)
Repurchase of shares	(2,012)	(3,221)
Dividend paid to shareholders and non-controlling interests	(4,332)	(3,481)
Interest paid	(803)	(555)
Lease payment	(957)	(769)
Transaction costs attributable to issue of new shares	(4)	(178)
Cash payment for business combination under common control	(313)	—
Issue of shares	940	—
Net cash outflow and inflow from other financing activities	(13)	41
Net cash flow used in financing activities	(3,822)	(15,660)

LIQUIDITY AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The Group focuses on cash flow management and has been able to maintain a healthy financial and liquidity position. As at 31 December 2022, the Group had a current ratio of 1.10 (31 December 2021: 0.99).

Items	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cash and cash equivalents	53,369	45,198
Wealth management products from other financial assets	1,657	2,486
	55,026	47,684
Less:		
Interest-bearing borrowings	(26,112)	(21,043)
Net balance of cash and cash equivalents and wealth management products from other financial assets	28,914	26,641

As at 31 December 2022, the wealth management products from other financial assets amounted to RMB1,657 million as compared to RMB2,486 million in 2021.

Among the cash and cash equivalents and the wealth management products from other financial assets balance, approximately 77% was denominated in Renminbi and the remaining 23% was denominated in Euro, Hong Kong dollars, U.S. dollars, New Zealand Dollars and other currencies.

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's net balance of cash and cash equivalents and wealth management products from other financial assets amounted to RMB28,914 million (31 December 2021: RMB26,641 million (restated)), representing an increase of 8.5% as compared to 2021, mainly due to the increase of cash inflow from operating activities.

In 2022, financial return of cash and cash equivalents and the return on wealth management products from other financial assets amounted to RMB919 million, representing an increase of 53.4% as compared to RMB599 million (restated) in 2021, which was mainly due to the enhancement of capital management efficiency.

Refer to note 45 to the consolidated financial statements for the exposure of Group's borrowings to the interest rate changes at the year end.

The Group will continue to maintain stable liquidity in its operations in 2022 to ensure meeting its working capital requirements in the coming year, and also for constructing super factory, as well as maintaining the financial flexibility for future strategic investment opportunities.

SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS AND FUTURE PLANS FOR MATERIAL INVESTMENTS OR CAPITAL ASSETS

As of 31 December 2022, the Group did not have any significant investment or future plans for material investments or capital assets.

Future capital expenditure planning: Capital expenditure in China market will mainly focus on, amongst other things, smart factory layout and the upgrade of employees' work environments. Capital expenditure in the overseas market will mainly focus on, amongst other things, global supply chain layout and factory reconstruction, new product research and development and information technology construction to continuously improve overseas operation capacity. Investment capital will be financed through the Company's internal or external capital and debt financing.

USE OF PROCEEDS FROM CONVERTIBLE BONDS AND PLACEMENT OF SHARES

On 18 December 2018, the Company raised issued A-Share convertible corporate bonds of approximately RMB3,007 million. After deducting issuing costs and other related expenses of approximately RMB23 million, the net proceeds from the issuance of the convertible bonds (the "Net Proceeds") was approximately RMB2,984 million. As the A-Share convertible bonds in 2019 met the redemption conditions, the Directors of the Company decided to exercise the redemption right after consideration and approval, the Company redeemed the balance of the A-Share convertible bonds in full. After the redemption, the convertible bonds of the Company were delisted on 17 December 2019. At present, the A-Share convertible bonds no longer exist, but the funds raised from the issuance of the bonds have not been fully utilized.

During the year, the Net Proceeds utilised was approximately RMB146 million. As of 31 December 2022, the unutilised Net Proceeds of approximately RMB181 million have been permanently reallocated to the working capital of the Company and will be utilized by the end of June 2023.

Detailed breakdown and description of the Net Proceeds utilized during the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out below:

	Actual Net Proceeds as at 1 January 2022 RMB'M	Amount of Net Proceeds utilized during the year ended 31 December 2022 RMB'M	Reallocation 2022 RMB'M	Unutilized Net Proceeds as at 31 December 2022 RMB'M
Investment projects	249	(68)	(181)	—
Working Capital*	78	(78)	181	181
	327	(146)	—	181

* The relevant investment projects have been completed and the remaining Net Proceeds have been permanently reallocated to the working capital of the Company and are expected to be fully utilized by the end of June 2023.

USE OF PROCEEDS FROM CONVERTIBLE BONDS AND PLACEMENT OF SHARES (continued)

On 11 January 2022, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent for a placing of new H Shares of the Company under the general mandate. The Company intends to further strengthen its financial position through placing and utilising the net proceeds, mainly to support overseas business expansion and investment in ESG related areas. On 21 January 2022, the placing of shares had been completed. A total of 41,413,600 H Shares with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each have been placed to five placees, who and whose ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of and not connected with the Company and/or its connected persons. The placing price is HK\$28.00 per H Share (whilst the closing price per H Share was HK\$32.70 on 11 January 2022). The net price, based on estimated expense, is HK\$27.77 per H Share.

The placees were Golden Sunflower, Segantii, PAG Pegasus Fund LP, Janchor and Valliance, which respectively subscribed for 34,856,200, 2,185,800, 2,176,400, 1,311,400 and 883,800 placing shares, the consideration of which respectively amounted to HK\$975,973,600, HK\$61,202,400, HK\$60,939,200, HK\$36,719,200 and HK\$24,746,400.

The gross proceeds and net proceeds from the placing amounted to approximately HK\$1,159.58 million and approximately HK\$1,149.98 million respectively. The net proceeds of the placing will be used as to (i) 70% for production capacity expansion of overseas industrial parks; (ii) 15% for investment in ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) related areas; (iii) 10% for digitalization and upgrade of overseas industrial parks; and (iv) 5% for overseas channel expansion and promotion, and is expected to be fully utilised by December 2024. The above use was consistent with the intended use of proceeds previously disclosed by the Company.

Detailed breakdown and description of the net proceeds utilized during the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out below:

	Actual net proceeds as at 1 January 2022 HK\$'M	Amount of net proceeds utilized during the year ended 31 December 2022 HK\$'M	Unutilized net proceeds as at 31 December 2022 HK\$'M	Relevant projects
Production capacity expansion of overseas industrial parks	804.98	63.81	741.17	Industry park project in Egypt
Investment in ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) related areas	172.50	—	172.50	—
Further digitalization of overseas industrial parks	115.00	—	115.00	—
Overseas channel expansion and promotion	57.50	—	57.50	—
	1,149.98	63.81	1,086.17	—

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The Company assesses its capital expenditure and investments in each business segment of the Group in China and the overseas home appliances and smart home business from time to time. The capital expenditure during the year was RMB8,204 million (2021: RMB7,372 million), in which RMB4,299 million and RMB3,905 million was mainly used in China and overseas respectively for the construction of plant and equipment, property rental expenses, and investment of information infrastructure.

GEARING RATIO

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's gearing ratio (defined as total borrowings (including interest-bearing borrowings, lease liabilities and convertible bond) divided by net assets of the Group) was 31.5%, while it was 29.6% for 2021. This was mainly due to new policy-based concessional loans in China and new working capital loans overseas.

TREASURY POLICIES

The Group adopts a prudent approach for its cash management and risk control. Due to the global presence of our business, our results of operations are affected by foreign exchange rate movements, both on a transactional and translation basis.

The Group is primarily exposed to movements in the Renminbi, our reporting currency, against US dollar and, to a lesser extent, Euro and Japanese Yen. The translational effects of exchange rate fluctuations arise because the financial results of the Group's subsidiaries are measured in the currency of the primary economic environment in which they operate (its functional currency). The results of operations of our global subsidiaries are, therefore, measured in currencies other than Renminbi and are then translated into Renminbi for the presentation of our financial results in the consolidated financial statements. Consequently, fluctuations in the applicable foreign currency exchange rates may increase or decrease the Renminbi value of our non-Renminbi assets, liabilities, revenues and costs, even if their value has not changed in their local functional currency.

The transactional effects of exchange rate fluctuations arise when one of the Group's subsidiaries enters into a sale or purchase transaction in a currency other than its functional currency. The principal source of transaction risk arises from the fact that most of our costs are measured in RMB, while most of our sales are invoiced in other currencies (including US dollar, Euro and Japanese Yen). The Group attempts to match costs and revenues along the value chain in the local markets in the same currency, creating a natural hedge for some of the transaction risks. The Group also uses forward foreign exchange contracts to mitigate its transactional exchange rate exposure.

CAPITAL COMMITMENT

The Group's capital commitments contracted but not yet provided for amounted to RMB4,008 million as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: RMB3,159 million), which were mainly related to the Group's domestic and overseas factories construction projects.

CHARGE OF ASSETS

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's trade and bills receivables with a net carrying value of RMB71 million (31 December 2021: RMB263 million) were pledged to secure certain of the Group's bank loans.

In addition, as at 31 December 2022, certain of the Group's bills payable were secured by the pledge of the Group's bank deposits amounting to RMB642 million (31 December 2021: RMB744 million) and the Group's bills receivable amounting to RMB8,715 million (31 December 2021: RMB12,449 million).

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the end of the reporting period, neither the Group nor the Company had any significant contingent liabilities.

RELATIONSHIP WITH EMPLOYEES, REMUNERATION POLICY

Under the management model of “RenDanHeYi”, the Company adheres to the remuneration concept of integrating user pay, value creation and value sharing. By providing employees with a short-, medium- and long-term remuneration incentive system combining labour income, surplus profit sharing and capital gain, as well as all-rounded welfare policies and employee caring schemes, the Company encourages employees to perform their duties with an entrepreneurial mindset, and align employee value with company value and shareholder value, so as to continuously improve user experience and create a win-win situation in the development of both the Company and its employees. For the basis under the remuneration policy that used to determine the emolument payable to Directors, please refer to the section regarding the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee in the Corporate Governance Report.

The Company has established a wide range of multi-dimensional incentive mechanism and continues to implement the “A+H” global incentive system covering both domestic and foreign employees to attract, motivate and stabilize the Company’s core talent.

The total number of employees of the Group increased by 4.5% to 109,586 as at 31 December 2022 from 104,874 as at 31 December 2021.

RELATIONSHIP WITH CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

The Group values its customers and suppliers as major partners and stakeholders. A healthy and competitive partnership network is fundamental to the Group’s success.

In China, we serve our customers through a comprehensive omni-channel sales network consisting of offline and online channels. Our offline sales and distribution network in China primarily consists of the following: (i) our franchised stores and their extended sales network, (ii) national chain store retailers (being Suning and Wuxing), (iii) regional chain store retailers, and (iv) other sales channels selling to our business partners. We also offer our products through online channels including: (i) directly selling to end-customers through our own Haier Smart Home App or B2C platforms such as our flagship store on Tmall.com, and (ii) selling our products to B2B2C channels such as JD.com.

All of our franchisees, national chain stores, regional chain stores and online B2B2C platforms are independent third parties. Our relationship with our franchisees, national chain stores, regional chain stores and online B2B2C platforms is in essence a buyer and seller relationship. They are our customers and they do not act on our behalf when dealing with their respective end customers, and we have no management control over their daily operations or their inventories level. Our franchisees, national chain stores, regional chain stores and online B2B2C platforms place orders with us when and to the extent they deem appropriate. We monitor their sales performance and provide marketing guidance to them. Based on their sales performance, we may consider enhancing, weakening or even terminating our cooperation relationships with our retailers and distributors. In general, our relationships with our major franchisees, national chain stores, major regional chain stores and major online B2B2C platforms have remained stable. There was no material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of our agreements with them.

RELATIONSHIP WITH CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS (continued)

North America and Europe are our two largest overseas markets and a substantial part of our overseas sales are made through local retailers. We also sell our products through online channels. We have established stable business relationship with our retailers and other customers. In the North America, we have maintained good collaboration with them through various kinds of branding, sales, marketing and promotion activities, which does not only enhance the sale of our products, but also promotes our brand recognition among the consumers covering various demographical groups. In Europe, our principal sales channels cover retail stores and e-commerce platforms. Similar to our approach in the North America, we also strategically select our retailers in Europe based on various criteria including market share, market positioning, and reputation of the customers, in order to maximise the reach of our products to consumers. We maintain stable business relationship with our online and offline customers.

Through our information feedback system, customer feedback is sent to the suppliers in real time and is a key part of the suppliers' key performance indicator in their on-going evaluations. For overseas suppliers, their performance is also closely monitored by the local teams in accordance with the requirements set forth in the agreement, as well as the local customs.

Prospective suppliers can register on our online platform. Once registered, a supplier will be vetted for its business, product quality, technical capabilities, and social responsibilities, among other criteria. Once a supplier has been approved, it is added to the pool of pre-qualified suppliers and becomes eligible to bid for the relevant orders from us. The orders are posted on our online platform and open to suppliers for bidding. We strive to make the bidding process transparent and fair for all of the participating suppliers. Once the bid is selected, the supplier will sign a contract with us and officially becomes our supplier. The suppliers' performance can be rated by the customers through the same online platform. Based on the customers' feedback, the system can automatically adjust and optimise the supply strategies.

We typically seek to enter into long-term agreements with our strategic suppliers. For other suppliers, the agreements are generally renewed annually. The payment terms for our suppliers vary, but the typical payment period for suppliers is "3+6" in China, meaning that we serve our suppliers with banker's acceptances with a term of six months after an initial credit period of three months. We typically do not have a fixed and standard payment period for suppliers in our overseas markets.

MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS

The Board of the Company approved on 28 April 2022 that Qingdao Haier Smart Life Electric Co. Ltd. ("Life Electric Co."), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Agreement on the Transfer of Equity Interest in Qingdao TAB Robot Technology Co., LTD ("TAB") with Qingdao Haier Interconnect Technology Co. Ltd. ("Interconnect Co."), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Haier Group. Pursuant to this agreement, Life Electric Co. acquired 100% of the equity interest in TAB from Interconnect Co., and Life Electric Co. shall pay a consideration of RMB125 million in cash for the transfer of the equity interest.

The Board of the Company approved on 28 April 2022 that Haier Shareholdings (Hong Kong) Limited ("Haier Hong Kong"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Agreement on the Transfer of Equity Interest in Qingdao Haier Mold Co., Ltd. ("Mold Company") with Qingdao Haier Mold Smart Cloud Technology Co., Ltd. ("Haier Mold Technology"), an indirect subsidiary controlled by Haier Group. Pursuant to this agreement Haier Hong Kong sold 25% of the equity interest in the Mold Company to Haier Mold Technology, and Haier Mold Technology shall pay a consideration of RMB277 million in cash for the transfer of the equity interest.

MATERIAL ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSALS (continued)

The Board of the Company approved on 29 August 2022 that Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Equity Transfer Agreements with Haier Group Corporation, Haier COSMO Co., Ltd. and Qingdao Haier Tooling Development Co., Ltd. respectively (the “Transferors” which hold 30.23%, 65.58% and 4.19% equity interest in Qingdao Haier Special Plastic R&D Co., Ltd. (“Special Plastic Co., Ltd.”) respectively). Pursuant to these agreements, Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd. acquired from the Transferors 100% of the equity interest in Special Plastic Co., Ltd. Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd. shall pay a total consideration of RMB152 million in cash for the transfer of the equity interest.

As at the end of the reporting period, the transactions were completed.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

According to the resolution of the 4th meeting of the 11th session of the Board of Directors of the Company held on 30 March 2023, the profit for the year is proposed to be distributed on the basis of the total number of shares on the record date after deducting the repurchased shares from the repurchased account when the plan is implemented in the future, the Company declared cash dividend of RMB5.66 (including taxes) for every 10 shares to all shareholders.

DIVIDENDS

The Board proposes the distribution of the final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2022 of RMB5.66 in cash for every 10 shares (inclusive of tax), totaling approximately RMB5.30 billion based on the current total issued capital, net of repurchased shares but not yet cancelled. This dividend represented approximately 36% of the profit attributable to the owners of the Company. Where the total share capital of the Company changes before the registration date for the implementation of the equity distribution, it is expected to maintain the total distribution unchanged and adjust the distribution ratio per share accordingly.

This dividend distribution proposal shall be subject to the consideration and approval at the Company’s 2022 annual general meeting, and the final dividend is expected to be distributed to shareholders in two months from the 2022 annual general meeting.

Dividends for D-Shares and H-Shares shall be paid in foreign currencies. According to the Articles of Association of the Company, the applicable rate of exchange shall be average exchange rate (medium rates) for converting Renminbi into foreign currencies as quoted by The People’s Bank of China for a week immediately prior to the announcement of dividend.

Notice of the 2022 annual general meeting will announce the date of the 2022 annual meeting of the Company and details of relevant book closure of H Shares, as well as the arrangement of book closure of H Shares for the final dividend.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE REPORT

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE PRACTICES

The board (the “Board”) of directors (the “Directors”) and the management (the “Management”) of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. (the “Company”) recognise that sound corporate practices are crucial to the efficient operation of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively the “Group”) and the safeguarding of our shareholders’ interests. In this regard, the Board gives high priority to enhance the Company’s corporate governance standards with emphasis on transparency, accountability and independence in order to enhance the long-term value of our shareholders.

The Company has complied with the applicable code provisions (the “Code Provision(s)”) and principles under the Corporate Governance Code (the “Code”) as set out in Appendix 14 to the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities (the “Listing Rules”) on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Hong Kong Stock Exchange”) during the year ended 31 December 2022 except for certain deviations as described below. The Board shall review its code from time to time to ensure its continuous compliance with the Code. This report describes the Company’s corporate governance practices, explains its applications of and deviations from the Code (if any), together with considered reasons for such deviations (if applicable).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Composition

As at 31 December 2022, the Board comprised two Executive Directors (Mr. LI Huagang (Chairman) and Mr. GONG Wei), three Non-executive Directors (Mr. YU Hon To, David, Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun and Ms. SHAO Xinzhi) and four Independent Non-executive Directors (Mr. CHIEN Da-Chun, Mr. WONG Hak Kun, Mr. LI Shipeng and Mr. WU Qi) (the “INED(s)”).

The Board has at least one-third in number of its members comprising INEDs throughout the year. The Company has also fulfilled the requirements of the composition of the Company’s audit committee, remuneration committee and the nomination committee under the Listing Rules.

At least one of the INEDs possesses appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise under Rule 3.10 of the Listing Rules. The Directors are well-versed in respective areas such as accounting and finance, business management and industry knowledge and the Board as a whole has achieved an appropriate balance of skills and experience. The chairman of the Board and the nomination committee will review the composition of the board from time to time so as to enhance it for meeting the strategic objectives of the Company. The Directors’ biographical details are set out on pages 12 to 18 of this annual report.

To the best of the Company’s knowledge, there is no financial or family relationship among the Board members and the supervisors. All of them are free to exercise their independent judgment on all matters concerning the Company.

The Articles of Association of the Company (“Articles of Association”) have stated clearly the procedures for the appointment of new directors, re-election and removal of directors. Under the Articles of Association, the Board may from time to time to nominate a director either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the Board, subject to the election at the next following general meeting of the Company.

Non-executive Directors of the Company are all elected by the general meetings, with term of office of three years, which are renewable upon re-election and reappointment.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board diversity policy

The Company recognizes that Board diversity will help improve corporate governance, increase the efficiency of the Board, reduce management and control risks and make better decisions, thereby achieving the sustainable and healthy development of the Company.

When determining the composition of the Board, the Company will take into full consideration the Board diversity, including but not limited to, gender, age, cultural and educational background, regions, professional experience, skills, knowledge and service terms of Directors as well as other regulatory requirements.

Appointments of Board members will be made on a merit basis and requirements for Board diversity will be fully considered, with a focus on evaluating which skills, experience, and diverse viewpoints and perspectives the candidates can bring to the Board, and how they can contribute to the Board.

The Nomination Committee of the Company is responsible for supervising and reporting to the Board matters concerning diversification of the Board members; working out the composition of the Board members, evaluating the professional experience, skills, knowledge and other diverse factors required by the Board, and making recommendations to the Board; searching for and nominating Director candidates and reporting the same to the Board for approval; supervising the appointment made by the Board; and ensuring that the recruitment and selection from the Board to common staff proceed according to proper procedures.

The Company shall establish and implement relevant plans to develop a broader and more diverse pool of skilled and experienced employees, so that, in time, their skills will prepare them for senior management and board positions.

The Nomination Committee will consider and, if appropriate, set measurable objectives to implement the Board diversity policy and review such objectives to ensure their appropriateness and ascertain the progress made towards achieving those objectives. The Nomination Committee of the Company will be responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Board diversity policy, evaluating the diversity of the Company every year and reviewing the Board diversity policy as appropriate, discussing any revisions required, and making recommendations to the Board for approval before implementation.

The achievements made from above Board diversity measures during the year included the followings:

During the reporting period, as the term of the 10th session of the Board expired, and the Company completed the change to the 11th session of the Board. The new Board of Directors comprises of nine Directors, including two executive Directors, three non-executive Directors and four independent non-executive Directors. In particular, there are two female Directors, accounting for 22.2%, an increase of 13.2 percentage points as compared to the percentage of female Directors (9%) in the previous term; and four independent Directors, accounting for 44.4%, an increase of 8.1 percentage points compared to the previous term (36.3%). Members of the new Board of Directors have extensive knowledge and experience in industry experience, Internet of Things, corporate governance, global market experience, financial management and risk management, which will help the Board of Directors to make the best decisions for the sustainable and healthy development of the Company.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board diversity policy (continued)

The Board had achieved to have two female Directors upon transition to new 11th session of the Board during the year. The Board considers that current gender diversity has met the diversity policy of the Company and has met the requirement stipulated in the relevant Listing Rules.

The Company will continue to maintain gender diversity on the Board, and the Nomination Committee will proactively consider the increase in the proportion of female members when selecting and making recommendations on suitable candidates for Board membership. Through the Board diversity policy, the annual assessment by Nomination Committee on Board structure, and the measures for ensuring gender diversity when recruiting staff at mid to senior level, the Company could develop a pipeline of potential successors to the Board to achieve gender diversity.

The Company had 109,586 employees from 53 countries around the world, including 38,270 overseas employees. Details break-down by gender at the end of reporting year are as follows:

	Male employees		Female employees	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
Percentage of employees by gender:				
Domestic	73.9%	74.9%	26.1%	25.1%
Overseas	65.2%	66.6%	34.8%	33.4%
Overall	70.9%	72.1%	29.1%	27.9%
Percentage of senior management by gender:				
Overall	75.0%	77.8%	25.0%	22.2%

The Group had targeted to increase the ratios of female members in senior management and the overall workforce, and had achieved such increases during the year. The Board considers that current gender diversity in senior management and the overall workforce have met the business needs.

Based on business development and operational needs, the Company will take into full consideration of the following factors when recruiting its employees, including skills, age and gender diversity, and will strive to achieve a balanced proportion of our employee in skills, age and gender.

Corporate strategy

The Board awares and understands the Group's purpose, values, mission and long term strategic business plans, reflects this understanding on the related key issues discussions and satisfies that these and the Company's culture are aligned. The Chairman of the Board organises meetings and regularly presents the Group's values, mission and long-term strategic business plans to members of the Board as well as key management of local and overseas subsidiaries.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Delegation by the Board

The Directors are collectively responsible for setting the Group's strategies, providing leadership and guidance to put them into effect, reviewing and monitoring the performance of the Group and are accountable to the Company's shareholders. To maximise the effectiveness of the Group's operations, the Board has delegated management and administration of the Group's daily operations to the Executive Directors, chief executive officer ("CEO") and the Management while reserved several important matters for its approval. To this end, the Articles of Association of the Company have set out the division of functions between the Board and the Management (including the Executive Directors and the CEO).

The major functions of the Board and the Management are summarized as follows:

The Board is principally responsible for:

1. determining the Company's business plans and investment schemes;
2. formulating the Company's annual budgets and final accounts;
3. formulating the Company's profit distribution plan and plan for covering losses;
4. formulating the Company's plans for increase or reduction of registered capital, issuance of bonds or other securities and listing plan;
5. formulating the Company's plans for significant acquisition, merger and acquisition, division, dissolution and change of corporate form;
6. determining establishment of the Company's internal management mechanisms;
7. determining establishment of the Company's basic management rules and the plans for amendment of the Articles of Association;
8. any other functions and powers accorded by laws, administrative regulations, departmental rules and the listing rules of the place where the securities of the Company are listed or the Articles of Association or other authorities granted by the shareholders' general meeting; and
9. subject to the requirements of the Listing Rules and other regulations, approving transactions in which connected person(s) (as defined in the Listing Rules) of the Company is/are considered having material interests.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Delegation by the Board (continued)

The Management is principally responsible for:

1. exercising all such other powers and performing all such other acts as may be exercised and performed by the Directors, save and except for those that may specifically be reserved by the Board and/or the committees set up by the Board for decision and implementation; or those that may only be exercised by the Board pursuant to the Company Law of the PRC and other regulations in the PRC, the Articles of association, the Listing Rules, the Hong Kong Codes on Takeovers and Mergers and Share Buy-backs;
2. presiding over production and operation management of the Company, organizing implementation of Board resolutions and reporting to the Board of Directors on their work;
3. organising the implementation of the Company's annual business plans and investment plans;
4. formulating plans for establishment of internal management mechanisms of the Company;
5. formulating basic management rules, and specific rules and regulations of the Company;
6. determining the appointment or dismissal of management personnel other than those whose appointment or dismissal be decided by the Board of Directors; and
7. monitoring the executions of the continuing connected transactions between connected person(s) (as defined in the Listing Rules and other regulations) and the Company to ensure their compliance with the relevant rules and regulation.

The Board reviews those arrangements on a periodic basis to ensure that they remain appropriate to the needs of the Group.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (“CEO”)

Under code provision C.2.1 of the Code, the roles of chairman and CEO should be separated and should not be performed by the same individual. Since 28 June 2022, Mr. LI Huagang (“Mr. LI”), an Executive Director, had served as the chairman and also the CEO of the Company. Mr. LI has been the CEO of the Company since April 2019 and has assumed the role of chairman since 28 June 2022 when Mr. LIANG Haishan retired as chairman of the Company.

The Board has continued reviewing the separation of chairman and CEO. After evaluation of the situation of the Company and taking into account the experience and past performance of Mr. LI, the Board is of the opinion that it is appropriate and in the best interests of the Group for Mr. LI to hold both positions as the chairman and CEO of the Company as it helps to maintain the continuity of the policies and the stability of the operations of the Group. It also helps to promote the efficient formulation and implementation of the Company’s strategies which enabled the Group to seize business opportunities efficiently and promptly. The Board comprising a vast majority of non-executive Directors also meets regularly on a quarterly basis to review the operations of the Group and to consider other major matters affecting the business of the Group.

Accordingly, the Board believes that this arrangement would not have negative influence on the balance of power and authorizations between the Board and the management of the Company. In addition, through the continuing supervision of the Board and its independent non-executive Directors, checks and balances continue to exist so that the interests of the shareholders are continued to be adequately and fairly represented.

Independent Non-executive Directors (the “INED”)

The INEDs have the same duties of care and skill and fiduciary duties as the Executive Directors. They are expressly identified as such in all corporate communications that disclose the names of the Directors.

The INEDs are experienced professionals with expertise in areas of accounting and finance, and business management. With their professional knowledge and experience, the INEDs advise the Company on its operation and management; provide independent opinions on the Company’s connected/continuing connected transactions and other material transactions; participate in the Company’s Audit Committee meetings, Remuneration and Appraisal Committee meetings, Nomination Committee meetings, Strategy Committee meetings and Environmental, Social and Governance Committee meetings. The INEDs also contribute to provide adequate checks and balances so as to protect the interests of the Company, to enable the interests of the Company’s shareholders as a whole are adequately and fairly represented, and to promote the development of the Company.

No equity-based remuneration with performance-related elements is granted to INEDs.

The chairman meets the INEDs at least once annually without the presence of other Directors to discuss any topics they consider necessary.

The Company has received an annual confirmation of independence from each of the INEDs pursuant to Rule 3.13 of the Listing Rules and considers all INEDs independent as at the date of this report.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Supply of and access to information

Newly appointed Directors will receive induction packages relating to the duties and responsibilities of directors under the Listing Rules and other applicable rules and regulations.

All the Directors are briefed and updated from time to time on the latest legislative and regulatory developments, and they receive, in a timely manner, adequate information which is accurate, clear, complete and reliable to ensure that they are fully aware of their responsibilities under the Listing Rules, the Company Law of the PRC, the Articles of Association of the Company and other applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

In order to ensure that their duties can be properly discharged, the Directors are entitled to seek advice from independent professional advisers whenever deemed necessary by them at the Company's expense.

Professional development

The Directors paid significant attention to enhance their knowledge and expertise so as to discharge their duties and responsibilities more effectively. The Company would organize in-house training sessions for newly appointed directors which are conducted by professionals relating to the duties and responsibilities of directors under the Listing Rules and other applicable rules and regulations.

During the year, all Directors have fully observed the Code Provision C.1.4 and have attended various relevant training programmes which include:

- (i) In-house seminars sessions on topics relating to the business development of the Company;
- (ii) participation and/or as speakers in relevant conferences and seminars organized by various external organizations relevant to the business or directors' duties, for update on corporate governance, and for enhancing their business expertise; and
- (iii) private study of materials relevant to the director's duties and responsibilities.

During the year, all Directors received regular updates on the Group's business, operations, risk management, corporate governance matters, and changes on relevant laws and regulations applicable to the Group.

During the year, the Company Secretary of the Company have taken no less than 15 hours of relevant professional training.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board meetings

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Board held six meetings to review and approve, among other things, the 2021 annual results, 2022 interim and quarterly results; to discuss and review the strategic transactions, placement of shares, connected transactions and other assets restructure plans; to discuss and review the share based award proposals such as the Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP), the Restricted Share Unit Scheme (RSU), and the Share Option Incentive Scheme; to discuss and propose various resolutions for shareholders' general meetings. The Company's board meetings (the "Board Meeting(s)") are permitted to be held by means of telephone or other means of electronic communication.

Sufficient notices are served and comprehensive information is provided to the Board members in advance of all the Board Meetings in order to enable them to make informed decisions on all matters transacted at the Board Meetings.

The proceedings of the Board Meetings are conducted by the Chairman of the Board or another Executive Director who ensures that sufficient time is allowed for discussion among the Directors and equal opportunities are being given to the Directors to express their views and share their concerns.

The Board Secretary and the Company Secretary attends the Board Meetings to advise Directors on corporate governance practices, and statutory compliance, accounting and financial issues whenever deemed necessary by the Board.

Board minutes are prepared for recording all matters transacted and resolved at the Board Meetings. Draft and final versions of the Board minutes are sent to all Directors for their comments and records. Also, the minutes of Board Meetings as well as meetings of Board committees are recorded in sufficient details of the matters considered and decisions made, including concerns raised by the Directors or dissenting views expressed. All the Board minutes are also kept by the Board Secretary and are open for inspection by the Directors.

The Company has mechanism to ensure independent views and input are available to the Board. This was achieved through the Board diversity and the appointment of independent directors. In June 2022, the Company completed the change of the Board upon the expiration of the term of office, further enhancing the independence of the Board. The new Board comprises of 4 independent Directors, accounting for 44.4% of the Board, an increase of 8.1 percentage points compared to the previous term (36.3%). All of the independent Directors of the Company are experienced professionals with expertise in accounting, finance and business management. In 2022, the independent Directors of the Company perform specific duties in accordance with the Articles of Association and the listing rules of the places of listing, including participating in the meetings of the special committees of the Company and advising the Company on its operation and management; providing independent advices on connected transactions, profit distribution plans and other significant transactions of the Company. By discharging their duties as mentioned above, the independent Directors help to protect the interests of the Company and its shareholders as a whole and to promote the development of the Company. The chairman of each of the Company's special committees (except the Strategy Committee and ESG Committee) is an independent Director. The number of independent Directors in the Audit Committee, the Remuneration and Assessment Committee, the Nomination Committee and the Strategy Committee accounts for one-half or more of the total number of committee members.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)**Board meetings (continued)**

The following table shows the attendance of the Directors at the Board Meetings during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of the Board Meetings attended/held
Executive Directors:	
Mr. LI Huagang (<i>Chairman</i>)	6/6
Mr. GONG Wei (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
Mr. LIANG Haishan (<i>Chairman</i>) (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
Mr. XIE Juzhi (<i>Vice Chairman</i>) (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
Non-executive Directors:	
Ms. SHAO Xinzhi (<i>Vice Chairman</i>) (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
Mr. YU Hon To, David	6/6
Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun	6/6
Mr. WU Changqi (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
Mr. LIN Sui (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
INEDs:	
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun	6/6
Mr. WONG Hak Kun	6/6
Mr. LI Shipeng	6/6
Mr. WU Qi	6/6

It is challenging to arrange the board meetings that fits in with the tight and busy schedules of all the Directors. To enable all the Directors to keep abreast of the Group's latest development and to discharge their duties properly, the Board Secretary and the Company Secretary would brief the Directors on those matters transacted at the board meetings that they are unable to attend.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors and Supervisors

The Company has adopted a model code for Securities Transactions by Directors and Supervisors (the “Model Code”) on no less exacting terms than the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers set out in Appendix 10 to the Listing Rules. Upon enquiry by the Company, all Directors and Supervisors of the Company have confirmed that they have complied with the required standard as set out in the Model Code throughout the year ended 31 December 2022.

In addition, the Board has adopted written guidelines (the “Employees’ Guidelines for Securities Transactions”) for securities transactions by employees (the “Relevant Employees”) who are likely to be in possession of unpublished price sensitive information of the Company on no less exacting terms than the Model Code. Having made specific enquiries of all the Relevant Employees, the Company confirmed that all the Relevant Employees had complied with the required standards as set out in the Employees’ Guidelines for Securities Transactions throughout the year ended 31 December 2022.

Board Committees

The Board has established an Audit Committee (the “Audit Committee”), a Remuneration and Appraisal Committee (the “Remuneration and Appraisal Committee”), a Nomination Committee (the “Nomination Committee”), a Strategy Committee (the “Strategy Committee”) and a Environmental, Social and Governance Committee (the “ESG Committee”) (collectively the “Committees”) to oversee specific aspects of the Company’s affairs. The Committees report to the Board regularly, and have been provided with sufficient resources to discharge their respective duties. To reinforce independence, the chairmen of the Committees other than the Strategy Committee and the ESG Committee are INEDs. Each of the Committees has adopted specific terms of reference covering its duties, powers and functions which will be reviewed by the Board from time to time. The Board Secretary also acts as secretary of the Committees. The Committees adopt as far as practicable, the procedures and arrangement of the Board Meeting in relation to the conduct of meetings, notice of meetings and recording of minutes. Further particulars of each of the Committees are set out below:

(1) Audit Committee

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Audit Committee comprised five members throughout the year. The members are as follows:

Mr. WONG Hak Kun;
 Mr. CHIEN Da-chun;
 Mr. YU Hon To, David;
 Mr. WU Qi;
 Ms. SHAO Xinzhi (appointed as a member with effect from 28 June 2022); and
 Mr. WU Changqi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)

The Audit Committee was chaired by Mr. WONG Hak Kun. Mr. WONG, Mr. YU and Ms. SHAO possess the required accounting expertise. The terms of reference of the Audit Committee (as revised) are available on the respective websites of the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)**Board Committees (continued)****(1) Audit Committee (continued)**

The primary duties of the Audit Committee are to ensure the objectivity and credibility of financial reporting, to make recommendations to the Board on the appointment, reappointment and removal of the Group's external auditors and review of the Company's financial controls, internal control and risk management systems. Each member of the Audit Committee has unrestricted access to the Group's external auditor and the Management.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Audit Committee held six meetings to review with the management the accounting principles and practices adopted by the Group and to discuss financial reporting matters including the review of 2021 annual results and 2022 interim and quarterly results of the Group, review the adequacy of resources, accounting staff qualifications and experience, training programmes and budget of the Company's accounting and financial reporting functions, review of the internal control procedures, the connected transactions and the continuing connected transactions, review of the significant transactions of the Group, review the reappointment of external auditors, and review the terms of reference of the Audit Committee, and other related issues.

There is no disagreement between the Board and the Audit Committee regarding the selection, appointment, resignation or dismissal of external auditor. The annual results for the year ended 31 December 2022 were also reviewed by the Audit Committee.

The Board also has adopted the arrangement for employees of the Company to raise genuine concerns, in confidence, about possible improprieties in financial reporting, internal control or other matters in the Company and its subsidiaries. The Audit Committee monitors the execution of this arrangement.

The following table shows the attendance of members of the Audit Committee during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of Audit Committee meetings attended/held
Non-executive Directors:	
Mr. YU Hon To, David	6/6
Ms. SHAO Xinzhi (appointed as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
Mr. WU Changqi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	3/3
INEDs:	
Mr. WONG Hak Kun	6/6
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun	6/6
Mr. WU Qi	6/6

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board Committees (continued)

(2) Remuneration and Appraisal Committee

The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee currently comprises three members including:

Mr. LI Huagang (appointed as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun;
Mr. LI Shipeng;
Mr. LIANG Haishan (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);
Mr. WU Changqi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022); and
Mr. WU Qi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)

The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee is chaired by Mr. CHIEN Da-chun, an INED. The terms of reference of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee (as revised) are available on the respective websites of the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The primary duties of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee are to make recommendations to the Board on policies and structures of all remuneration of the Directors and senior management. Each of the Directors has not involved in the determination of his/her own remuneration.

The Company's remuneration policy is to ensure that the remuneration offered to employees, including Directors and senior management, is based on skill, knowledge, responsibilities and involvement in the Company's affairs. The remuneration packages of executive Directors are also determined with reference to the Company's performance, the prevailing market conditions and the performance or contribution of each executive Director. The remuneration for the executive Directors comprises basic salaries, pensions and discretionary bonuses. The remuneration for non-executive Directors and independent non-executive Directors is to ensure that non-executive Directors and Independent Non-executive Directors are adequately compensated for their efforts and time dedicated to the Company's affairs, including their participation in Board committees. The remuneration for the non-executive Directors and independent non-executive Directors mainly comprises Director's fees which are determined with reference to their duties and responsibilities and are subject to shareholders' approval at general meetings.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee held two meetings. At the meetings, members of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee reviewed and made recommendations to the Board on the remuneration proposals and the performance based structures of the Directors and senior management, including the share based award proposals such as the 2022 A-share and H-share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP), the 2022 H-share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (RSU), and the 2022 A-share Option Incentive Scheme. The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee considered these proposals by taking into account the factors such as remuneration packages and benefits offered by comparable companies, the respective contribution of each of the Directors and senior management to the Group and the business objectives of the Group. The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee also considered the execution report of 2021 incentive schemes in relation to the assessment of the Executive Directors and senior management.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)**Board Committees (continued)****(2) Remuneration and Appraisal Committee (continued)**

Particularly, in approving the 2022 share award and share option scheme, the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee has reviewed the material matters including (i) appropriateness of the number of share awards and share options to be granted; (ii) vesting period of no less than 12 months; (iii) plan of exercise or vesting which is linked with performance targets to be fulfilled by participants. There are no unusual or exceptional features in the share award and share option scheme that are contradictive with the relevant rules for which special approval from the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee are required.

The Remuneration and Appraisal Committee has adopted the model that it will review the proposals made by the Management on the remuneration of Executive Directors and senior managements with reference to the Board's corporate policies and objectives, and make recommendations to the Board. The remuneration plans or proposals mainly include but not limited to performance appraisal criteria, procedures and key appraisal system, and major incentive and penalty plans and systems. The Board will have final authority to approve the recommendations made by the Remuneration Committee.

The following table shows the attendance of members of the Remuneration and Appraisal Committee during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of Remuneration and Appraisal Committee meetings attended/held
Executive Directors:	
Mr. LIANG Haishan (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
Mr. LI Huagang (appointed as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	0/0
Non-executive Director:	
Mr. WU Changqi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
INEDs:	
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun	2/2
Mr. LI Shipeng	2/2
Mr. WU Qi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2

Refer to note 13(b) to the consolidated financial statements for the details of remuneration payable to key management personnel (excluding Directors) of the Group by band.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board Committees (continued)

(3) Nomination Committee

The Nomination Committee currently comprises three members including:

Mr. LI Huagang (appointed as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);
Mr. LI Shipeng;
Mr. WU Qi;
Mr. LIANG Haishan (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);
Mr. WONG Hak Kun (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022); and
Mr. YU Hon To, David (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)

The Nomination Committee was chaired by Mr. WU Qi (an INED). The terms of reference of the Nomination Committee (as revised) are available on the respective websites of the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The Nomination Committee is responsible for formulating nomination policy and making recommendations to the Board on nomination and appointment of Directors, senior management and Board succession. It also develops selection procedures of candidates for nomination, reviews the structure, size and composition of the Board and assesses the independence of the INEDs. The Company has provided the Nomination Committee sufficient resources to perform its duties.

Nomination procedures include identification and acknowledgement of qualified individuals by the Nomination Committee and review and approval of such nomination by the Board. The Nomination Committee shall proactively communicate with the Company's relevant departments, examine the Company's demand for new directors and senior managers. The selection criteria for Directors are that the candidates must have substantial experience in business relevant to the Company, or in corporate management, or in relevant profession and must be able to contribute effectively to the objectives of the Company. In identifying suitable candidates for appointment to the Board, the Nomination Committee will consider candidates on merit against objective criteria (such as professional expertise, relevant experience, personal ethics etc.) and with due regard for the benefits of diversity on the Board. Any committee member may propose suitable candidates for directorship for discussion and approval by the Nomination Committee, after which the Board will consider and, if proper, approve such nomination. Director thus selected is subject to election by the Company's shareholders in the next general meeting or next annual general meeting, as appropriate, according to the Articles of Association of the Company.

The Nomination Committee monitors the execution of the Board diversity policy of the Company. Selection will be based on a range of diversity perspectives, including but not limited to, professional experience, business experience and insight, skills, know-how, gender, age, cultural and educational background, ethnic and length of services. It will review the Board diversity policy as appropriate and recommend any revisions to the policy to the Board for consideration and approval if necessary.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)**Board Committees (continued)****(3) Nomination Committee (continued)**

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Nomination Committee held two meetings. At the meetings, members of the Nomination Committee have identified and recommended qualified individual to the Board for the appointment of a director, reviewed the composition of the Board and diversity of the Board. Particularly, as the term of the 10th session of the Board expired in June 2022, in accordance with relevant requirements of the Company Law and the Articles of Association, the Nomination Committee had considered and recommended to the Board two Executive Directors, three Non-executive Directors and four Independent Non-executive Directors for the composition of the 11th session of the Board.

The Nomination Committee discussed and agreed the measurable objectives for achieving diversity on the Board and recommended them to the Board for adoption. During the year, four directors (Mr. LIANG Haishan, Mr. XIE Juzhi, Mr. WU Changqi and Mr. LIN Sui) retired and two directors (Mr. GONG Wei and Ms. SHAO Xinzhi) have been appointed. The Nomination Committee assessed the candidates on objectives of offering relevant industry experience and business skill to the Board for the Company's strategic business developments, while maintaining diversity of perspectives appropriate to the requirements of the Group's business. The Committee reviewed the existing size and composition of the Board, and received and accepted the report from the management in relation to identified business skills and experience required and their ranking and the action plan for recruiting new Board members. It also monitored the review of the Company's recruitment process to reinforce its commitment to the principle of equal opportunity. With these measures in place, therefrom two new Board members have been appointed during the year.

The following table shows the attendance of members of the Nomination Committee during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of Nomination Committee meetings attended/held
Executive Directors:	
Mr. LIANG Haishan (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
Mr. LI Huagang (appointed as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	0/0
Non-executive Director:	
Mr. YU Hon To, David (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
INEDs:	
Mr. WU Qi	2/2
Mr. LI Shipeng	2/2
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
Mr. WONG Hak Kun (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board Committees (continued)

(4) Strategy Committee

The Strategy Committee currently comprises four members including:

Mr. LI Huagang;
 Mr. LI Shipeng;
 Mr. WU Qi;
 Mr. GONG Wei (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022);
 Mr. LIANG Haishan (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);
 Mr. XIE Juzhi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022); and
 Mr. LIN Sui (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022);

The Strategy Committee is chaired by Mr. LIANG Haishan till 28 June 2022 and was then chaired by Mr. LI Huagang.

The purpose of the Strategy Committee shall be to prepare recommendations for the Board in fulfilling its responsibilities relating to the study of the Company's long-term development strategy, major investment decisions and shareholders' return plan.

The primary responsibilities and authorities of the Strategy Committee include:

- (I) to study the Company's long-term development strategy plans and make recommendations;
- (II) to study major investment financing programs which requires to be approved by the Board of Directors as stated in the Articles of Association and make recommendations;
- (III) to study major capital operation and assets management projects which requires to be approved by the Board of Directors as stated in the Articles of Association and make recommendations;
- (IV) to study shareholders' return plan of the Company and make recommendations;
- (V) to study other important matters affecting the Company's development and make recommendations;
- (VI) to review the implementation of the above matters;
- (VII) to handle other matters as authorized by the Board.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Strategy Committee held two meetings. At the meetings, members of the Strategy Committee have discussed and reviewed the connected transactions (strategic acquisition of companies), and capital expenditures (for enhancing manufacturing capacity), and made recommendations to the Board.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)**Board Committees (continued)****(4) Strategy Committee (continued)**

The following table shows the attendance of members of the Strategy Committee during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of Strategy Committee meetings attended/held
Executive Directors:	
Mr. LIANG Haishan (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
Mr. LI Huagang	2/2
Mr. GONG Wei (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)	0/0
Mr. XIE Juzhi (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
Non-executive Director:	
Mr. LIN Sui (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	2/2
INEDs:	
Mr. LI Shipeng	2/2
Mr. WU Qi	2/2

(5) Environmental, Social and Governance Committee

The Company has established the Environmental, Social and Governance Committee (“ESG Committee”) to better implement the ecological brand strategy of the Company in the age of the Internet of Things, integrate the idea of “Social, Environmental and Corporate Governance” into the corporate strategy, promote sustainable development, generate long-term value for all stakeholders and build a green, intelligent and mutual beneficial eco system of the Internet of Things.

The ESG Committee currently comprises three members including:

Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun;
 Mr. CHIEN Da-Chun;
 Mr. GONG Wei (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022);
 Mr. LI Huagang (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022); and
 Mr. LIN Sui (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)

Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun serves as the chairwoman of the ESG Committee.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS (continued)

Board Committees (continued)

(5) Environmental, Social and Governance Committee (continued)

The ESG Committee serves as the specific working body for evaluating the Company's working progress on the environmental, social and governance (ESG) responsibilities and the risks and opportunities it faces, and for formulating the Company's ESG vision, goals and strategies. The ESG Committee strives to improve and enhance the Company's capabilities of managing environment and social responsibilities, and to promote the sustainable development of the Company. The ESG Committee also promotes the ESG risk management practices and internal control enhancements, and provides direction for the work of the Company's ESG task force.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the ESG Committee held two meetings. At the meeting, members of the ESG Committee have discussed and reviewed the Company's 2021 ESG report, discussed ESG goals, strategies and other related matters, and made recommendations to the Board.

The following table shows the attendance of members of the ESG Committee during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of ESG Committee meetings attended/held
Executive Directors:	
Mr. LI Huagang (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	1/1
Mr. GONG Wei (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)	1/1
Non-executive Directors:	
Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun	2/2
Mr. LIN Sui (retired as a member with effect from 28 June 2022)	1/1
INED:	
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun	2/2

Corporate Governance Function

The primary corporate governance duties of the Board are to develop and review the Company's policies and practices on corporate governance; to review and monitor the training and continuous professional development of Directors and senior management; to review and monitor the Company's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements; to develop, review and monitor the code of conduct and compliance manual (if any) applicable to employees and Directors; and to review the Company's compliance with the code and disclosure in the Corporate Governance Report.

During the year, the Board have developed and reviewed the Company's corporate governance practices, including the review of the Company's Articles of Association, terms of reference of the various board committees, and various internal policies and rules based on the recent changes of regulatory requirements; and the review of the process in upgrading the internal controls and risk management.

COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTOR RELATIONS

The Company's communication policy for shareholders is summarized as follows:

The Company follows a policy of disclosing relevant information to shareholders and the investment community in a timely manner, and will regularly review this policy to ensure its effectiveness. Information shall be communicated to shareholders and the investment community mainly through the Company's quarterly, interim and annual financial reports, and general meetings that may be convened, as well as by making available all the disclosures submitted to The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and its corporate communications and other corporate publications on the Company's website.

Effective and timely dissemination of information to shareholders and the investment community shall be ensured at all times. Shareholders and the investment community may at any time, e.g. at the investors meetings and discussions or via enquiry emails, etc., express their views or make a request for the Company's information to the extent such information is publicly available.

The Company's website provides comprehensive and updated information about the Company, including our financial results, announcements, circulars, composition of the Board or Board Committees and their respective terms of reference, and other corporate documents such as the articles of the Company.

The annual general meeting ("AGM") provides an opportunity for communication between the Board and the Company's shareholders. The Company ensures that shareholders' views are communicated to the Board. The chairman of the AGM proposes separate resolutions for each issue to be considered. Circulars to Shareholders provide information on matters that require to be brought to the attention or action of shareholders, such as appointment of Directors, amendments to the articles of the Company, matters relating to poll voting at annual general meetings, etc.

AGM proceedings are reviewed from time to time to ensure that the Company follows the best corporate governance practices.

The Company has reviewed the implementation of the shareholders' communication policy conducted during the year ended 31 December 2022 and considered it effective based on the following achievements:

It is the Company's practice to provide an explanation to shareholders of the details of the voting by poll procedures in the general meetings in accordance with the Articles of Association and the relevant listing rules of the places where it securities are listed. The poll results of the general meetings are also published on the websites of the Company and/or of the stock exchanges where the securities are listed. The Board regards general meetings as one of the principal channels of communication with our shareholders and the Directors provide detailed and complete answers to questions raised by the shareholders in the general meetings in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations.

The Board attaches great importance to investor relations management and provides a variety of communication channels for investors. It maintains positive interaction with investors through annual investor conferences, online collective reception day for investors, emails, on-site and online surveys and other means to protect the legitimate rights and interests of investors. The management of the Company and its investors had extensive exchanges on issues of concern to investors, such as corporate governance, operating conditions and development strategies, based on public information, and received active participation from its investors.

COMMUNICATION WITH SHAREHOLDERS AND INVESTOR RELATIONS (continued)

In respect of information disclosure, to protect the interests of investors and other stakeholders, in particular small and medium-sized shareholders, the Company strictly complied with the domestic and overseas information disclosure regulatory requirements and fulfilled its information disclosure obligations. During the reporting period, in addition to conducting high-quality mandatory information disclosure, the Company has increased the voluntary disclosure of key issues of concern to investors and the capital market, such as corporate strategy, corporate governance and green operations, and continued to enhance the disclosure, which have been highly rated by external organizations.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company held four general meetings, including the annual general meeting, one A-shares class meeting, one D-shares class meeting, and one H-shares class meeting. In these general meeting and class meetings, various resolutions were passed.

The following table shows the attendance of the Directors at the general meetings held during the year ended 31 December 2022:

	No. of the General meetings attended/held
Executive Directors:	
Mr. LIANG Haishan (<i>Chairman</i>) (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	4/4
Mr. LI Huagang (<i>Chairman</i>)	4/4
Mr. GONG Wei (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)	0/0
Mr. XIE Juzhi (<i>Vice Chairman</i>) (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	0/4
Non-executive Directors:	
Ms. SHAO Xinzhi (<i>Vice Chairman</i>) (appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)	0/0
Mr. WU Changqi (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	4/4
Mr. LIN Sui (retired with effect from 28 June 2022)	4/4
Mr. YU Hon To, David	4/4
Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun	4/4
INEDs:	
Mr. CHIEN Da-chun	4/4
Mr. WONG Hak Kun	4/4
Mr. LI Shipeng	4/4
Mr. WU Qi	0/4

During the year ended 31 December 2022, there have been changes in the Company's constitutional documents, principally for the Company to reflect the recent requirements of applicable domestic regulations and laws to improve the practice of our Company's corporate governance, and the protections of shareholders' rights and interests.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS

Procedures by which Shareholders may convene a special general meeting

Shareholders requesting the convening of an extraordinary general meeting or a class shareholders' meeting shall proceed in accordance with the procedures set forth below:

- (1) Two or more shareholders who hold, in aggregate, 10% or more of the shares carrying the right to vote at the proposed meeting may sign one or several written requisitions of the same format and contents, requesting the Board of Directors to convene an extraordinary general meeting or a class shareholders' meeting. The agenda of the proposed meeting shall be stated therein. The Board of Directors shall convene the extraordinary general meeting or a class shareholders' meeting responsively after receipt of the aforesaid written requisition(s). The number of the aforesaid shares shall be calculated as of the date on which the requisition(s) is/are made.
- (2) Where the Board of Directors gives consent for convening of an extraordinary general meeting, a notice on convening of the extraordinary general meeting or the class shareholders' meeting shall be issued within 5 days from such decision, and the changes made to the original request in the notice shall be approved by relevant shareholders.
- (3) Where the Board of Directors does not give consent for convening of an extraordinary general meeting or does not issue a feedback within 10 days upon the receipt of the requisition(s), the shareholders holding 10% or more of the Company's shares separately or in aggregate shall have the right to propose to the Board of Supervisors on convening of an extraordinary general meeting and such proposal shall be made to the Board of Supervisors in writing.
- (4) Where the Board of Supervisors gives consent for convening an extraordinary general meeting, a notice on convening of the extraordinary general meeting shall be issued within 5 days upon the receipt of the requisition(s) and the changes made to the original request in the notice shall be approved by relevant shareholders.
- (5) Where the Board of Supervisors fails to issue a notice of a shareholders' general meeting within the stipulated period, the Board of Supervisors shall be deemed as not convening and chairing the shareholders' general meeting, and the shareholders who hold 10% or more of the Company's shares individually or jointly for 90 or more consecutive days may proceed to convene and chair a shareholders' general meeting on their own initiative.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS (continued)

Procedures by which Shareholders may convene a special general meeting (continued)

- (6) If the shareholders' general meeting is convened by the Board of Supervisors or shareholders on their own, a written notice shall be issued to the Board of Directors, and such meeting shall be filed with the stock exchange of the place where the securities of the Company are listed.
- (7) Prior to the announcement of the resolutions passed by the shareholders' general meeting, the shareholding percentage of the shareholders who convene the meeting shall not be less than 10%. Shareholders who convene the meeting shall publish an announcement no later than the issuance of notice of the shareholders' general meeting and undertake that their shareholding percentage shall not be less than 10% during the period from the date of proposing the convening of the shareholders' general meeting to the convening date of the shareholders' general meeting. The shareholders who convene the meeting shall submit the relevant supporting materials to the stock exchange of the place where the securities of the Company are listed at the time of the issuance of notice of the shareholders' general meeting as well as of the announcement of the resolutions passed by such meeting.

Procedures by which enquiries may be put to the Board

Shareholders may put forward enquiries to the Board through the Board Secretary, Company Secretary and the representative of our office in Germany who will direct the enquiries to the Board for handling. Such enquiries can be made by the following means:

Mail: Board Secretary
Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd.
Board of Directors Building,
Haier Industrial Park,
1 Haier Road, Laoshan District, Qingdao City, the PRC

Email: finance@haier.com

Mail: Company Secretary
Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd.
Unit 3513, 35/F, The Center,
99 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong

E-mail: ir@haier.hk

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS (continued)

Procedures for putting forward proposals at a Shareholders' meeting

When the Company decides to convene a shareholders' general meeting, the Board of Directors, the Board of supervisors and shareholders severally or jointly holding 3% or more of the shares of the Company shall be entitled to put forward proposals to the Company.

The shareholders severally or jointly holding 3% or more of the shares of the Company may raise interim proposals and submit them in writing to the convener 10 days prior to the convening of the shareholders' general meeting. Where shareholders subject to the conditions as mentioned above raise interim proposals before the convening of the shareholders' general meeting, their shareholding proportions shall not be less than 3% during the period from the date of the issuance of notice on proposals to the announcement of the resolutions. The convener shall, within 2 days after the receipt of such proposals, issue a supplemental notice of the shareholders' general meeting and announce the contents of the interim proposals.

Procedures for Shareholders to propose a person for election as a Director

When the Company needs to elect a director, the shareholders of the Company may nominate a person for election as a director of the Company at the shareholders' general meeting (including annual general meeting and extraordinary general meeting) to be convened then according to the Articles of Association of the Company ("Articles of Association").

1. According to Article 84 of the Articles of Association, the shareholders' general meeting may exercise the following functions and powers: (II) to elect and replace directors and supervisors who are not employee representatives, and to decide on the remuneration matters of the relevant directors and supervisors; (X) to amend the Articles of Association and deliberate proposals put forward by shareholders who represent 3% or more of the Company's voting shares.
2. According to Article 96 of the Articles of Association, when the Company decides to convene a shareholders' general meeting, the Board of Directors, the Board of Supervisors and shareholders that severally or jointly hold 3% or more of the shares of the Company shall be entitled to put forward proposals to the Company. The shareholders that severally or jointly hold more than 3% of the Company's shares may raise interim proposals and submit them in writing to the convener 10 days prior to the convening of the shareholders' general meeting. The convener shall, within 2 days after the receipt of such proposals, issue a supplemental notice of the shareholders' general meeting and announce the contents of the interim proposals.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS (continued)

Procedures for Shareholders to propose a person for election as a Director (continued)

3. According to Article 101, Article 136 and Article 194 of the Articles of Association, the election of directors and supervisors shall comply with the following provisions:
 - (I) The list of candidates for directors and supervisors shall be presented in the form of a proposal at a shareholders' general meeting for voting.
 - (II) Upon the expiration of the term of office of the Board of Directors or the Board of Supervisors or in need of replacement of directors or supervisors due to vacancies within the Board of Directors or the Board of Supervisors, the shareholders, individually or jointly, holding 3% or more of the total number of the outstanding shares with voting rights of the Company may recommend candidates for directors or supervisors to the Board of Directors in writing. Upon the Board of Directors' or the Board of Supervisors' review and examination, if the candidates comply with the provisions by law and the Articles of Association, the Board of Directors or the Board of Supervisors shall submit the candidate list, curriculum vitae and basic information in the form of a proposal to the shareholders' general meeting for deliberation and election. Upon the expiration of the term of office of the Board of Supervisors or in need of replacement of supervisors due to vacancies within the Board of Supervisors, supervisors previously held by the employee representatives of the Company shall still be replaced or by-elected through democratic election among the Company's staff and workers.
 - (III) Where a shareholders' general meeting proposes to discuss election matters of directors and supervisors, the notice of the shareholders' general meeting shall fully disclose the detailed information of the proposed candidates for directors and supervisors.
 - (IV) The Company's Board of Directors, Board of Supervisors and shareholders who hold 1% or more of the issued shares of the Company, individually or jointly, may nominate candidates for independent directors, who will be decided through election by the shareholders' general meeting. The agreement of the nominee shall be obtained before the nominator nominates him/her as an independent director. The nominator shall be fully aware of such details of the nominee as occupation, educational background, title, work experience, all concurrent positions etc., and shall express his/her/its opinions on the nominee's qualifications for holding the position of independent director and his/her/its independence. The nominee shall make a public statement that no relationship exists between himself/herself/itself and the Company that could affect his/her/its independent and objective judgments. The Board of Directors of the Company shall make the aforementioned information public in accordance with regulations before the holding of the shareholders' general meeting at which the independent director is to be elected.

SHAREHOLDERS' RIGHTS (continued)

Procedures for Shareholders to propose a person for election as a Director (continued)

3. According to Article 101, Article 136 and Article 194 of the Articles of Association, the election of directors and supervisors shall comply with the following provisions: (continued)
 - (V) When a shareholders' general meeting votes on the election of directors and supervisors, the cumulative voting method may be implemented pursuant to the provisions of the Articles of Association or the resolution of a shareholders' general meeting. The cumulative voting system referred to in the preceding paragraph shall mean that when a shareholders' general meeting elects directors or supervisors, each share shall have the same number of voting rights as the number of directors or supervisors to be elected and the voting rights held by a shareholder may be used together. The Board of Directors shall announce the curriculum vitae and basic information of candidates for directors and supervisors to the shareholders before the holding of the shareholders' general meeting.
 - (VI) Where the shareholders' general meeting has passed the proposal on the election of the relevant directors and supervisors, the newly-elected directors and supervisors shall take office on the date when the resolution is passed at the shareholders' general meeting, unless otherwise resolved by the shareholders' general meeting.

INSURANCE

The Group has arranged appropriate directors' and officers' liability insurance to indemnify the Directors and senior staff of the Group for their potential liabilities incurred by them in discharging their duties. The Group reviews the insurance coverage for the Directors and the Group's senior staff on an annual basis.

POLICY ON PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS

The Company has implemented a proactive and flexible dividend policy. Future profit distributions may be carried out in the form of cash dividends or stock dividends or by interim cash profit distributions. The dividend policy shall maintain consistency and stability. In case that the legal conditions as mentioned below for both cash dividends and stock dividends are satisfied, cash dividends shall prevail.

The Company's dividend policy shall be determined by the Board of Directors based on the business development and performance of our Company and will be subject to the approval of the shareholders' general meeting.

Subject to the satisfaction of conditions for cash dividend distribution provided in the PRC Company Law, the Company shall in principle pay cash dividend once each fiscal year. The Board of Directors may propose to pay an interim profit distribution depending on the profitability and capital reserve of our Company. In addition, the Board of Directors may put forward a stock dividend distribution proposal in addition to cash dividend after considering factors such as our Company's performance, share price, share capital scale and debt structure.

POLICY ON PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS (continued)

The Company expects that, in the future, the principal source of profits for the payment of dividends will be income from its operating business, and dividends and other payments received from current and future direct and indirect subsidiaries. The determination of each subsidiary's ability to pay dividends is subject to applicable law.

On the basis of the unconsolidated financial statements of the Company and subject to PRC law, the Articles of Association and the Company's capital needs for normal production and operation, planned investments and other significant capital outlays, the annual cash dividends shall, in principle, account for at least 20%, and contingent upon each year's performance, not less than 15% of the Company's net profits for the prior fiscal year which are available for distribution and attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the Company, calculated in accordance with PRC GAAP.

After the completion of the Privatisation Proposal of Haier Electronics Group Co., Ltd. and with the improvement in the efficiency of capital use and operating capacity, the Company plans to gradually increase the dividend rate to 33%, 36% and 40% for 2021, 2022 and 2023 to enhance the return of all shareholders.

ACCOUNTABILITY AND AUDIT

The Directors acknowledge their responsibility for preparing financial statements of the Group in accordance with relevant statutory requirements and generally accepted accounting principles and ensuring that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's financial position. In preparing the financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022, the Directors have adopted suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently; made judgments and estimates that are prudent and reasonable; and prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis.

The responsibilities of the external auditor with respect to the financial reporting are set out in the Independent Auditor's Report of this Annual Report.

The Board aims to present a comprehensive, balanced and understandable assessment of the Group's development and prospects in all corporate communications, including but not limited to annual, interim and quarterly reports, any price sensitive announcements and financial disclosures required under the relevant listing rules of the places where its securities are listed and other regulations, any reports to regulators as well as to information required to be disclosed pursuant to other statutory requirements.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL

The Group is committed to implementing and maintaining effective risk management and internal controls procedures to identify and manage the risks faced by the Group, as well as to safeguard the interests of the Group and our shareholders as a whole. The Board would ensure that adequate resources and management attention will be devoted to strengthen its internal controls and risk management procedures.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL (continued)

The Board is responsible for overseeing adequate internal controls and risk management procedures in the Group, reviewing their effectiveness on an on-going basis, and ensuring the Management has clearly defined the authorities and key responsibilities of each business and operational unit for adequate checks and balances. The Board has delegated to the Management the design, implementation and monitoring of the Group's risk management and internal control systems covering all material aspects, including financial, operational, ESG, risk management functions and in compliance with all relevant regulations. Such systems are designed to manage the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Board is also responsible for ensuring that the Management has discharged its duty to have an effective internal control system in terms of the adequacy of resources, qualification and experience of staff of the Company's finance reporting and internal audit functions, as well as these relating to the Company's ESG performance and reporting and their training programme and budget.

Control Environment

- Risk awareness and control responsibility are built into the company culture and are regarded as the foundation of risk management and internal control systems;
- An effective internal audit function is maintained which is independent from operational management;
- Whistleblowing Guideline of the Company is in place.

Internal Auditing Function

In response to the broadening of the Group's scope of business activities and the increase in geographical locations in which it operates, to face the challenges of the fast growing trend of new business and the related financial and operational risks, the Group has continuously strengthened the functions of its Internal Audit Department which provides independent and objective assurance and consulting activity designed to add value and improve Company's operations. It helps the Group in accomplishing its objectives by bringing a systematic, disciplined approach to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control, and governance processes.

The Internal Audit Department also provides independent and reasonable assurance that the internal controls system is effective and efficient. In order to carry out its functions, the Internal Audit Department is given unrestricted access to all business operations and personnel, all business files and accounting records. The head of the Department reports directly and regularly to the Audit Committee and CEO respectively on the findings of audit matters. The work schedule of the Internal Audit Department is based on an annual audit program reviewed and approved by the Audit Committee.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL (continued)

Risk Management

An enterprise-wide risk assessment with the Management and key-process owners had been institutionalised to identify major risks of all levels and to review the effectiveness of the key controls and mechanisms in place. It is intended that the risk management framework would be able to raise risk-awareness within senior management such that a safeguarding culture of the Group's business and assets is to be developed and implemented.

The Internal Audit Department of the Company plays a significant role in the risk management execution. Major risks of all levels facing the Group are identified and evaluated, and the management ultimately reviewed the identification and evaluation of these risks. Based on these measures, mitigation strategies and plans with respect to each key risk identified are developed and implemented, which include establishing or enhancing internal controls, with regular review and update so as to mitigate the risks to controllable range. The process of the work performed are reported regularly to the Audit Committee and the Board on their scheduled meetings.

Control Process

The Company recognizes that the assessment of the internal control system is an on-going process, and management enhancements are required to address deficiencies in internal controls over operations, compliance on regulations including listing rules of the places of listing, and financial and non-financial reporting.

There is a clearly-defined management structure with specified authority limits and segregated responsibilities to achieve business control objectives and safeguard of assets. Guidelines and approval limits for operating and capital expenditures are set clearly in advance, with division of operations and financial personnel responsible for the different approval processes. An internal budget system as well as expense system have been used to enhance the controls and effectiveness embedded in the approval process. Detective controls are also in place as safeguards for the business and operational processes.

The Internal Audit Department establishes an annual internal control review plan for major internal control systems covering areas including operational control, financial control and compliance control (including review of controls on continuing connected transactions). The review tasks on various internal controls are prioritized in accordance with the risk level assessed, or where significant changes have been taken place, or where new businesses have been set up.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Internal Audit Department has conducted a review of the effectiveness of Group's internal control system's procedures on the major business and operational processes. Recommendations for further improvements have been reported to the Audit Committee as well as Board, together with its findings. Such recommendations have been or are being implemented by the Management with regular review.

RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL (continued)

Review of Control Effectiveness

The Audit Committee reviewed the effectiveness of the risk management and internal control systems by reviewing the internal control assessment report of the Internal Audit Department at least twice in a year. The Board has, through the Audit Committee, reviewed and considered that for the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group's risk management and internal control systems were effective and adequate.

As part of the audit of the financial statements, the external auditor has issued its standard unqualified report on their audit of the Company's internal control on financial reporting system.

Inside Information

The Company has adopted the following procedures and internal controls for the handling and dissemination of inside information:

- (i) the Company keeps updated on the obligations under the Securities and Futures Ordinance, the applicable listing rules and other statutory regulations with regard to the timely and proper disclosure of inside information and authorizes the disclosure through the publication of announcements as required;
- (ii) the Company implemented an Inside Information Disclosure Policy which the Company's spokespersons have to strictly follow in communicating with the public;
- (iii) the Company adopted a Model Code for securities transactions by Directors, and by employees who are likely to be in possession of unpublished inside information of the Company on no less exacting terms than that for the Directors; and
- (iv) the Company included in the employee conduct code that unauthorised uses of confidential and inside information are strictly prohibited.

ANTI-CORRUPTION

Haier Smart Home strictly complies with the laws and regulations in China and other overseas places where we operate related to anti-bribery, anti-fraud, anti-extortion and anti-money laundering. We have formulated and strictly implemented the Code of Commercial Conduct of Haier Group, the Anti-fraud Regulations, the Employee Code of Conduct of Haier Smart Home, the Management Policy of Supplier Black List and other related policies in the world. The Board of Directors is responsible for reviewing and supervising the Company's policies and measures that are related to compliance of laws and regulations.

In 2022, the Company has set up an anti-fraud working committee comprising of staff of internal control, legal and various business lines to perform anti-corruption and anti-malpractice tasks, actively promoted the development and implementation of anti-corruption, anti-money laundering and other systems related to commercial ethics. We regularly identify commercial ethics risks, carry out specialised anti-corruption audits and report to and are monitored by the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee, and strive to create an honest and ethical business environment.

ANTI-CORRUPTION (continued)

In 2022, the Company continued to optimize the Anti-fraud Regulations, improve the functions of each department in the audit of anti-corruption, anti-fraud and anti-money laundering, strengthen the early risk management and control by the “internal control + audit + anti-fraud” linkage, put forward the requirement to strengthen self-detection capabilities, and upgrade the internal control system and management to promote anti-fraud, as well as further improve the regulation on risk identification. Meanwhile, we applied our big data cloud monitoring system to conduct early risk warning and investigation, regularly identified and sorted out fraud risks at all levels of the Company, including factories, industries and platforms, identified risks in business scenarios through risk audits, and facilitated governance and improvement of risks through establishing various mechanisms.

REMUNERATION OF EXTERNAL AUDITORS

The domestic and overseas auditors of the Company for 2022 were Hexin Certified Public Accountants LLP and HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the annual audit fees and non-audit fee payable/paid by the Group to Hexin Certified Public Accountants LLP was RMB6.55 million and RMB2.23 million, respectively. The non-audit services mainly included internal control review service.

The audit fees and non-audit fee payable/paid by the Group to HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited were RMB3.74 million and RMB0.15 million, respectively. The non-audit services mainly included review of the continuing connected transactions.

30 March 2023

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

During the year, the Company and its subsidiaries continued to be engaged in smart home business in China and overseas, evolving around a comprehensive portfolio of home appliances established over the years, covering primarily refrigeration appliances, kitchen appliances, air-conditioners, laundry appliances and water appliances, with value-added consumer services. There was no significant changes in the nature of the Group's principal activities during the year. The principal activity of the Company also includes investment holding.

Further discussion and analysis of these activities as required by Schedule 5 to the Companies Ordinance, including a discussion of the principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Group and an indication of the Group's likely future developments, can be found in the Chairman's Letter to Shareholders and Business Review and Financial Review set out on pages 5 to 11 and 22 to 63 of this Annual Report. Such information forms part of the Report of The Directors.

RESULTS AND DIVIDENDS

The Group's profit for the year ended 31 December 2022 and the Group's financial position as at that date are set out in the financial statements on pages 140 to 311.

The Directors of the Company recommend the payment of a final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2022 of RMB5.66 (2021: RMB4.61357 (adjusted)) in cash for every 10 shares (inclusive of tax).

SUMMARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A summary of the published results and assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Group for the last five financial years, as extracted from the audited financial statements and restated/reclassified as appropriate, is set out on page 312. This summary does not form part of the audited financial statements.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT AND INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

Details of movements in the property, plant and equipment, and investment properties of the Group during the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out in notes 14 and 15 to the financial statements, respectively.

SHARE CAPITAL

Details of movements in the Company's share capital during the year ended 31 December 2022 are set out in note 36 to the financial statements.

On 11 January 2022, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent for a placing of new H Shares of the Company under general mandate. The Company intends to further strengthen its financial position through placing and apply the net proceeds mainly to support overseas business expansion and investment in ESG related areas. On 21 January 2022, the placing of shares had been completed. A total of 41,413,600 H Shares with a nominal value of RMB1.00 each have been placed to five placees, who and whose ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of and not connected with the Company and/or its connected persons. The placing price is HK\$28.00 per H Share (whilst the closing price per H Share was HK\$32.70 on 11 January 2022). The net price to the Company, based on estimated expense, is HK\$27.77 per H Share.

The placees were Golden Sunflower, Segantii, PAG Pegasus Fund LP, Janchor and Valliance, which respectively subscribed for 34,856,200, 2,185,800, 2,176,400, 1,311,400 and 883,800 placing shares, the consideration of which respectively amounted to HK\$975,973,600, HK\$61,202,400, HK\$60,939,200, HK\$36,719,200 and HK\$24,746,400.

The gross proceeds and net proceeds from the placing amounted to approximately HK\$1,159.58 million and approximately HK\$1,149.98 million respectively. The net proceeds of the placing will be used as to (i) 70% for production capacity expansion of overseas industrial parks; (ii) 15% for investment in ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) related areas; (iii) 10% for further digitalization of overseas industrial parks; and (iv) 5% for overseas channel expansion and promotion, and is expected to be fully utilised by December 2024.

CONVERTIBLE BONDS

On 21 November 2017, Harvest International Company (the “Issuer”), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, issued the HK\$8,000,000,000 Zero Coupon Guaranteed Exchangeable Bonds due on 21 November 2022 (the “HSH Exchangeable Bonds”) which are listed on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the “Hong Kong Stock Exchange”) (stock code: 5024). The holders of the HSH Exchangeable Bonds (the “Bondholders”) are entitled to exchange their HSH Exchangeable Bonds into shares of Haier Electronics Group Co. Ltd (HEG) (the “HEG Shares”) during the period specified under the terms and conditions of the HSH Exchangeable Bonds (the “HSH Exchangeable Bonds Terms and Conditions”). In connection with the privatization of HEG, to provide Bondholders with an alternative investment option in their HSH Exchangeable Bonds outside the various options available under the HSH Exchangeable Bonds Terms and Conditions, the Company has proposed to amend the HSH Exchangeable Bonds Terms and Conditions, such that, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent, after listing of the H Shares of the Company, the HSH Exchangeable Bonds will not be exchangeable into the HEG Shares but will instead be convertible into the H Shares of the Company (the “EB-to-CB Proposal”). The HSH Exchangeable Bonds with such amended terms and conditions (the “HSH Convertible Bonds Terms and Conditions”) are hereafter referred to as the “HSH Convertible Bonds”. The EB-to-CB Proposal has become effective upon listing of H Shares of the Company on 23 December 2020 and HK\$7,993,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of the HSH Convertible Bonds was outstanding initially. The initial conversion price per share of the HSH Convertible Bonds was approximately HK\$19.5961.

In accordance with the HSH Convertible Bonds Terms and Conditions, the conversion price per share had been adjusted to approximately HK\$18.8369 on 12 January 2021 in connection with the cash payment by HEG. The conversion price had been further adjusted to approximately HK\$18.58 on 23 August 2021 in connection with the declaration and payment of the dividend of the Company. During the year, the conversion price has been further adjusted to approximately HK\$18.20 on 23 August 2022 in connection with the declaration and payment of the dividend of the Company.

During the year and upon maturity on 21 November 2022, a cumulative amount of HK\$394,000,000 HSH Convertible Bonds were converted into H Shares of the Company, and the cumulative number of H Shares issued as a result of the conversion was 21,450,563 shares. Since 23 December 2020 and upon maturity, a cumulative amount of HK\$7,988,000,000 HSH Convertible Bonds were converted into H Shares of the Company, and the cumulative number of H Shares issued as a result of the conversion was 424,661,452 shares.

After the above-mentioned conversion of convertible bonds, the amount of HSH Convertible Bonds not yet converted was HKD 5,000,000. As the HSH Convertible Bonds were due for redemption on 21 November 2022, these convertible bonds amounting to HKD 5,000,000 have been redeemed with an one time repayment of principal and interest (105.11% on remaining par value).

PRE-EMPTIVE RIGHTS

There are no provisions in the relevant PRC laws and the Company’s Articles of Association for granting pre-emptive rights to the Company’s existing shareholders.

PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY

Repurchases of H-Share

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company repurchased certain of its ordinary H-Share on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited and these shares were subsequently cancelled by the Company. The summary details of those transactions are as follows:

Months	Number of H-Share repurchased	Price per share		Total price paid HK\$'M
		Highest HK\$	Lowest HK\$	
July 2022	1,435,600	27.80	25.60	38.69
September 2022	4,420,000	25.85	23.55	109.32
November 2022	7,271,000	24.70	19.74	166.14
December 2022	1,843,600	26.55	25.60	48.23
	14,970,200			362.38

The issued capital H-Share of the Company was reduced by the par value thereof. The premium paid on the repurchases of the Company's H-Share of RMB315 million has been charged to the share premium account of the Company. The repurchase of the Company's H-Share during the year was effected by the directors, pursuant to the mandate from shareholders sought at the annual general meeting and the class meetings held on 28 June 2022 regarding the repurchases of H-Share.

The Directors made the repurchases when the H-Share were trading at a discount to their underlying value so as to flexibly adjust the capital structure of the Company based on market conditions. It would be beneficial to the Company's shareholders who retain their investment in the Company as their proportionate interest in the assets and earnings of the Company would increase in proportion to the number of H-Share repurchased by the Company.

PURCHASE, REDEMPTION OR SALE OF LISTED SECURITIES OF THE COMPANY (continued)

Repurchases of A-Share

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company repurchased certain of its ordinary A-Share on The Shanghai Stock Exchange. The summary details of those transactions are as follows:

Months	Number of A-Share repurchased	Price per share		Total price paid RMB'M
		Highest RMB	Lowest RMB	
April 2022	933,100	24.50	23.70	22.51
May 2022	46,831,339	26.00	24.50	1,187.23
June 2022	7,938,500	25.40	23.50	196.98
July 2022	801,300	26.60	25.80	21.15
September 2022	1,601,000	25.95	24.37	40.35
November 2022	600,000	24.45	23.30	14.45
December 2022	350,000	24.96	24.55	8.65
	59,055,239			1,491.32

The repurchases of the Company's A-Share during the year was effected by the directors, pursuant to a board resolution passed on 30 March 2022 regarding the repurchase of A-Share.

A total of 59,055,239 A-Share were repurchased during the year but not yet cancelled, of which 26,814,055 A-Share has been transferred to the A-Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan during July 2022. The balance of A-Share repurchased but not yet cancelled as at end of year is 32,241,184 shares, and will be used in other share incentive plans of the Company.

Save as disclosed above, neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the year ended 31 December 2022.

RESERVES

Details of movements in the reserves of the Company and the Group during the year are set out in note 50 to the financial statements and in the consolidated statement of changes in equity, respectively.

DISTRIBUTABLE RESERVES

At 31 December 2022, the Company's reserves available for distribution, calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Company Law of the PRC, amounted to approximately RMB5.33 billion, of which RMB5.30 billion has been proposed as a final dividend for the year.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL POLICIES AND PERFORMANCE

The Board of Directors is the highest responsible and decision-making body for ESG matters of the Company. Environmental, Social and Governance Committee (ESG Committee) is to assist the Board with ESG governance and information disclosure issues. The Company regularly assesses, prioritizes and manages ESG issues (including risks and materiality to the Company's business), and the Board regularly reviews the results of the assessment, identifies ESG issues material to the Company's development, be aware of management actions taken, and makes recommendations.

The ESG Committee is responsible for developing an effective ESG strategy that aligns the Company's ESG objectives with its business objectives, and for continuously reviewing and improving the Company's ESG performance. The Board reviews the strategy on a regular basis to verify and ensure its alignment with the Company's growth strategy. The ESG Executive Leadership Team, comprising senior executives from various departments, reports regularly to the ESG Committee on ESG issues within the Company. The Team is responsible for implementing the Company's ESG policy and reporting to and advising the ESG Committee. The Company has established ESG goals related to its business operations, and the Board has reviewed and discussed the establishment and the progress of these goals. We have made progress in stages for each ESG work target as planned.

For Haier Smart Home, ESG is an important guide for achieving its own high-quality and sustainable development. In 2022, the Company further enhanced the ESG brand image and formulated the ESG strategy system. The ESG strategy system clarified six core directions and future actions. Based on this guidance, sustainable development practice would be actively implemented. We have taken the opportunity of joining the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) to closely integrate our development with our ESG strategy and the practice of the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We are committed to the ten principles of the Global Compact, which cover the human rights, labor standards, environment and anti-corruption based on United Nation Convention, to achieve sustainable leadership in ESG.

Further discussions on above are in the Environmental, Social and Governance Report which are issued separately.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS

The Board is responsible for reviewing and monitoring the Group's policies and practices on compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, with the assistance of the Internal Audit Department, the Legal Department and the Board Secretary office of the Company. The Company has in place compliance procedures to ensure adherence to the laws and regulations that are relevant to the Group.

We are of the view that, the Group had complied, in all material respects, with all relevant laws and regulations in the jurisdictions we operate in during the year. Particularly, our business operated in the PRC territory complied with relevant PRC laws and regulations in all material respects, and no material administrative penalties imposed on us have been found that may have a material adverse effect on our Group's business operations. We have formed a culture of compliance by implementing various measures and processes to ensure that the behaviour of our employees meets compliance requirements and our compliance culture is embedded into our everyday workflow.

The Group's staff are regularly briefed and updated from time to time on the relevant changes in laws and regulations so as to enhance their awareness of compliance obligations.

MAJOR CUSTOMERS AND SUPPLIERS

In the year under review, sales to the Group's five largest customers accounted for less than 30% of the total sales for the year. Purchases from the Group's five largest suppliers accounted for less than 30% of the total purchases for the year.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, Haier Group Corporation, the substantial shareholders of the Company, had beneficial interests in one of the Group's five largest suppliers.

Save as disclosed above, none of the Directors or any of their close associates or any shareholders of the Company which, to the best knowledge of the Directors, owns more than 5% of the Company's issued share capital had any beneficial interest in the Group's five largest customers or suppliers.

DIRECTORS

The Directors of the Company during the year were:

Executive directors:

Mr. LI Huagang
(Chairman and Chief Executive Officer)
 Mr. GONG Wei
(appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)
 Mr. LIANG Haishan *(Chairman)*
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)
 Mr. XIE Juzhi *(Vice Chairman)*
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)

Independent Non-executive directors:

Mr. CHIEN Da-chun
 Mr. WONG Hak Kun
 Mr. LI Shipeng
 Mr. WU Qi

Non-executive directors:

Mr. YU Hon To, David
 Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun
 Ms. SHAO Xinzhi *(Vice Chairman)*
(appointed with effect from 28 June 2022)
 Mr. WU Changqi
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)
 Mr. LIN Sui
(retired with effect from 28 June 2022)

As the term of the 10th session of the Board expired in June 2022, in accordance with relevant requirements of the Company Law and the Articles of Association, and the opinions from the nomination committee of the Board, the appointments of two Executive Directors, three Non-executive Directors and four Independent Non-executive Directors of the 11th session of the Board have been considered and approved by the Board as follows:

1. Executive Directors: Mr. LI Huagang and Mr. GONG Wei;
2. Non-executive Directors: Mr. YU Hon To, David, Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun and Ms. SHAO Xinzhi; and
3. Independent Non-executive Directors: Mr. CHIEN Da-Chun, Mr. WONG Hak Kun, Mr. LI Shipeng and Mr. WU Qi.

The resolution on the changes of the Board of Directors had been duly adopted as an ordinary resolution at the annual general meeting of the Company convened on 28 June 2022 (“AGM”). These nine Directors were elected at the AGM and compose the 11th session of the Board of the Company.

The term of the 11th session of the Board of the Company would be three years. The term of office for each Director has been effective upon the consideration and approval at the AGM. Each of the Directors has entered into a service contract with the Company. Each Director would receive a director fee before tax of RMB320,000 per year.

DIRECTORS (continued)

The retiring Directors of the 10th session of the Board, namely Mr. LIANG Haishan, Mr. XIE Juzhi, Mr. WU Changqi and Mr. LIN Sui, confirmed that they had no disagreement with the Board, and there were no other matters that should be brought to the attention of the shareholders.

The Company has received an annual confirmation of independence from each of Mr. CHIEN Da-chun, Mr. WONG Hak Kun, Mr. LI Shipeng and Mr. WU Qi, and as at the date of this report, the Board still considers them independent on the basis of such confirmations.

DIRECTORS', SUPERVISORS' AND SENIOR MANAGEMENT'S BIOGRAPHIES

Biographical details of the Directors and Supervisors of the Company and the senior management of the Group are set out on pages 12 to 21 of the annual report.

CHANGES OF INFORMATION OF DIRECTORS

Below are the changes of Directors' information required to be disclosed pursuant to Rule 13.51B(1) of the Listing Rules since the publish of the Company's 2022 interim report:

Ms. Eva Li Kam Fun has retired as the president of Our Hong Kong Foundation by end of 2022.

DIRECTORS' AND SUPERVISORS' SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the year, no Director or Supervisors had a service contract with the Company or any of its subsidiaries which is not determinable by the Company within one year without payment of compensation, other than statutory compensation.

PERMITTED INDEMNITY

A Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance is in place to protect the Directors and officers of the Group against any potential liability arising from the Group's activities which such directors and officers may be held liable.

DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

The Directors' fees are subject to shareholders' approval at general meetings. Other emoluments are determined by the Company's Board with reference to Directors' duties, responsibilities and performance and the results of the Group. Details of directors' remuneration are set out in notes 8 and 13 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS' AND SUPERVISORS' INTERESTS IN TRANSACTIONS, ARRANGEMENTS OR CONTRACTS

Except executive positions and related interests in the Haier Group, no director or supervisor nor a connected entity of a director or supervisor had a material interest, either directly or indirectly, in any transactions, arrangements or contracts of significance to the business of the Group to which the Company, the holding companies of the Company or any of the Company's subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries was a party during the year.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN COMPETING BUSINESS

Except executive positions and related interests in the Haier Group, none of the Directors is interested in any businesses which compete or are likely to compete, either directly or indirectly, with the businesses of the Group.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 31 December 2022, the interests and short positions of the Directors, Supervisors and chief executive in the share capital and underlying shares ("Share(s)") of the Company or its associated corporations (within the meaning of Part XV of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (the "SFO")), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, or pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers, were as follows:

Long positions in shares of the Company:

Names	Positions	Class of Shares held	Number of Shares held	Nature of interest	Approximate percentage* of shareholding interest in the relevant class of Shares	Approximate percentage* of shareholding interest in the total share capital of the Company
Mr. LI Huagang	Chairman of the Board, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	A Share	814,245	Beneficial owner	0.0129%	0.0086%
		H Share	812,145	Beneficial owner	0.0283%	0.0086%
Mr. GONG Wei	Executive Director, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	A Share	1,943,498	Beneficial owner	0.0308%	0.0206%
Ms. SHAO Xinzhi	Vice Chairman of the Board, Non-Executive Director	H Share	1,045,056	Beneficial owner	0.0365%	0.0111%
Mr. YU Hon To, David	Non-Executive Director	H Share	810,000	Beneficial owner	0.0283%	0.0086%
Ms. Eva LI Kam Fun	Non-Executive Director	H Share	355,200	Beneficial owner	0.0124%	0.0038%
Mr. LIU Dalin	Chairman of the Board of Supervisors	A Share	11,470	Beneficial owner	0.0002%	0.0001%
		H Share	21,355	Beneficial owner	0.0007%	0.0002%
Ms. MA Yingjie	Supervisor	A Share	7,045	Beneficial owner	0.0001%	0.0001%
Mr. Yu Miao	Supervisor	A Share	2,479	Beneficial owner	0.0000%	0.0000%

* The percentage is calculated on the basis that the share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2022 totalling 9,446,598,493 comprise 6,308,552,654 A Shares, 271,013,973 D Shares and 2,867,031,866 H Shares, representing approximately 66.78%, 2.87% and 30.35% of the total share capital of the Company, respectively.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES (continued)

Long positions in shares of the Company: (continued)

Apart from above, the following Directors, Supervisors and chief executive are also the grantees of the A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP of the Company:

Names	Positions	Class of Shares	Number of outstanding shares of ESOP (Year of granted)	Approximate	Approximate
				percentage* of shareholding interest in the relevant class of Shares	percentage* of shareholding interest in the total share capital of the Company
Mr. LI Huagang	Chairman of the Board, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	A Shares	87,300 (2021)	0.0014%	0.0009%
			173,306 (2022)	0.0027%	0.0018%
	H Shares	100,320 (2021)	0.0035%	0.0011%	
		194,347 (2022)	0.0068%	0.0021%	
		59,300 (vested)	0.0021%	0.0006%	
Mr. GONG Wei	Executive Director, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	A Shares	53,553 (2021)	0.0008%	0.0006%
			93,061 (2022)	0.0015%	0.0010%
	H Shares	62,213 (2021)	0.0022%	0.0007%	
		104,359 (2022)	0.0036%	0.0011%	
		36,627 (vested)	0.0013%	0.0004%	
Mr. LIU Dalin	Chairman of the Board of Supervisors	A Shares	19,936 (2021)	0.0003%	0.0002%
			41,404 (2022)	0.0007%	0.0004%
Ms. MA Yingjie	Supervisor	A Shares	4,745 (2021)	0.0001%	0.0000%
			8,675 (2022)	0.0001%	0.0001%
Mr. YU Miao	Supervisor	A Shares	3,746 (2021)	0.0001%	0.0000%
			6,704 (2022)	0.0001%	0.0001%

* The percentage is calculated on the basis that the share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2022 totalling 9,446,598,493 comprise 6,308,552,654 A Shares, 271,013,973 D Shares and 2,867,031,866 H Shares, representing approximately 66.78%, 2.87% and 30.35% of the total share capital of the Company, respectively.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES (continued)

Long positions in shares of the Company: (continued)

On 11 January 2022, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent for a placing of new H Shares of the Company under general mandate. A total of 41,413,600 H Shares have been placed to five placees, who and whose ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of and not connected with the Company and/or its connected persons. The placing price is HK\$28.00 per H Share. The following directors and supervisor of the Company have invested indirectly in the structured notes issued by Golden Sunflower, one of the placees, through the trusts and asset management schemes. The details of their capital contribution are as follows:

Name	Positions	Amount contributed (In HK\$ million)	Relevant number of placing H shares	Approximate percentage* of shareholding interest in the relevant class of Shares	Approximate percentage* of shareholding interest in the total share capital of the Company
Mr. LI Huagang	Chairman of the Board, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	18.35	655,305	0.0229%	0.0069%
Mr. GONG Wei	Executive Director, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	9.17	327,652	0.0114%	0.0035%
Ms. SHAO Xinzhi	Non-Executive Director	11.01	393,183	0.0137%	0.0042%
Mr. LIU Dalin	Supervisor	4.89	174,629	0.0061%	0.0018%

* The percentage is calculated on the basis that the share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2022 totalling 9,446,598,493 comprise 6,308,552,654 A Shares, 271,013,973 D Shares and 2,867,031,866 H Shares, representing approximately 66.78%, 2.87% and 30.35% of the total share capital of the Company, respectively.

DIRECTORS' INTERESTS AND SHORT POSITIONS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES (continued)

Long positions in underlying shares of the Company pursuant to share options:

Names	Positions	Class of Shares	Number of share options granted and not yet exercised	Approximate percentage* of shareholding interest in the relevant class of Shares upon exercise of share options	Approximate percentage* of shareholding interest in the total share capital of the Company upon exercise of share options
Mr. LI Huagang	Chairman of the Board, Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer	A Shares	913,900	0.0145%	0.0097%
Mr. GONG Wei	Executive Director, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer	A Shares	457,000	0.0072%	0.0048%

note The exercise price of each of the above A Share options is RMB25.63 for subscription of one share. The exercisable period is from 15 September 2022 to 15 September 2027.

* The percentage is calculated on the basis that the share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2022 totalling 9,446,598,493 comprise 6,308,552,654 A Shares, 271,013,973 D Shares and 2,867,031,866 H Shares, representing approximately 66.78%, 2.87% and 30.35% of the total share capital of the Company, respectively.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2022, none of the Directors and chief executive had any interests or short positions in the shares or underlying shares of the Company or its associated corporation (within the meaning of Part XV of the SFO), as recorded in the register required to be kept by the Company pursuant to Section 352 of the SFO, or as otherwise notified to the Company and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange pursuant to Divisions 7 and 8 of Part XV of the SFO, or pursuant to the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES

2019 Share Award Scheme

The Company operates a share award scheme (ESOP) as approved by the Board on 29 April 2019 (the “2019 Share Award Scheme”). The awards granted under the 2019 Share Award Scheme form part of the remuneration packages for the employees of our Company.

During the year, all outstanding unvested 2,551,292 shares held by the 2019 Share Award Scheme have been sold, and all assets of these share award schemes are monetary funds. In accordance with the relevant provisions, the 2019 Share Award Scheme has been implemented and terminated.

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme

The Company adopted the A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) (2021–2025), the H Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) (2021–2025) and the H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (RSU) at the 2020 annual general meeting held on 25 June 2021 (“2020 AGM”).

It is expected that relevant employees of the Group ordinarily reside within Mainland China will mainly be covered by the A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP, while relevant employees of the Group ordinarily reside outside Mainland China will mainly be covered by the RSU Scheme. The scheme shares for A Share and H Share ESOP and RSU Scheme are funded by existing shares of the Company.

The A Share and H Share ESOP and RSU Scheme are designed to provide incentive to middle and senior management and core employees with the Company’s two to three-year profit target, and business unit and individual performance target as the main appraisal benchmarks. There is no consideration to be paid by the participants for the shares awarded under the A Share and H Share ESOP and RSU Scheme, which aligns with the purpose of the share aware scheme to attract and retain the services of directors and employees.

Pursuant to the authorisation sought at the 2020 AGM, the Board has the sole discretion of determining the list of employees entitled to participate in the A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP and the allocation for subsequent phases, based on the rules of the A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP, changes in the workforce and performance assessment results, and are authorized to make adjustments. Also, the Board or its delegatee may, from time to time, select any eligible person to be a selected participant in accordance with the RSU Scheme Rules.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP

The purposes of the ESOP are to drive employees' entrepreneurship and innovation with "Rendanheyi"; to enhance corporate governance mechanism and create shareholders' value; and to attract talents and innovate the remuneration management system of the Company.

Participants of the ESOP shall be the directors (except for independent directors), supervisors and senior officers of the Company, and core technical (business) personnel of the Company and its subsidiaries.

With the authorization of the shareholders' meeting, the board of directors shall have the right to decide on the establishment of an independent ESOP for each year from 2021 to 2025 based on the actual needs. The duration of each ESOP shall not exceed five years, calculated from the time when the Company announces that the underlying shares obtained in the last time for each year are recorded to the ESOP for that year. After the expiration of the duration, the ESOP shall be terminated, or may be extended after being approved by the board of directors with the authorization of the shareholders' meeting.

The ESOP for each year shall be independent of each other, but the total number of shares held by each established and existing ESOP (including A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP) shall not exceed 10% of the total share capital of the Company, and the total number of shares corresponding to a single employee's share in the existing ESOPs shall not exceed 1% of the total amount of the Company's share capital.

During the year, in order to improve the corporate governance mechanism, create value for shareholders and promote the full implementation of the Company's IoT smart home brand strategy, with the authorization at the 2020 AGM of the Company, the Company introduced the H Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2022) and the A Share Core Employees Ownership Plan (2022) upon the approval at the 28th Meeting of the 10th session of the Board of Directors of the Company convened on 28 April 2022. The Company advanced the work related to the 2022 A Share and H Share ESOP.

A Share ESOP (2021)

The total amount of funds used to participate in the A Share ESOP for 2021 was RMB708 million. Pursuant to the arrangement of the A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2021), 25,440,807 A Shares (amounting to approximately RMB707 million, excluding related fees and tax expenses) held in the designated securities repurchase account of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. were transferred to the designated account of "Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. — A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2021)" at the price of RMB27.79 per share (which is the average purchase cost of the shares in the designated repurchase account) through non-trading transfer on 22 July 2021.

Such proportion of shares will be locked up in accordance with the regulations. According to the A Share ESOP (2021–2025), the A Share ESOP is subject to a 12-month lock-up period from the date of the Company's disclosure of the announcement of the completion of the transfer of the repurchased A Shares from the designated securities repurchase account of the Company (i.e., from 24 July 2021 to 23 July 2022).

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

A Share ESOP (2021) (continued)

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is generally two years in the proportion of 40% and 60%, and the final appraisal period and the vesting proportion shall be determined by the Management Committee of the ESOP.

The A Share ESOP (2021) participants include 14 persons of the directors, supervisors and other senior management members, and 1,585 core technical (business) employees with a total holding of RMB707 million.

A Share ESOP (2022)

There should be no more than 2,250 employees participating in the 2022 ESOP. The total amount of funds to be used to participate in the 2022 ESOP shall be RMB680 million. There are 11 persons including directors, supervisors and senior officers, with a total share of RMB21.96 million, accounting for 3.2% of the 2022 ESOP. There are 2,239 core technical (business) personnel of the Company and its subsidiaries, with a total share of RMB658.04 million, accounting for 96.8% of the 2022 ESOP.

The source of shares of the 2022 ESOP shall be the repurchased A shares of the Company. The 2022 ESOP shall establish a lock-up period of 12 months from the date of disclosure of the announcement on completion of transfer of the repurchased shares of the Company from the repurchase special account.

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is two years, and upon the expiration of the lock-up period of the 2022 ESOP, 40% and 60% of the corresponding underlying shares shall be vested to the participants in two phases. The specific vesting time shall be determined by the Management Committee upon the expiration of the lock-up period.

On 21 July 2022, 26,814,055 Shares (average purchase cost was RMB25.33 per share) held in the “repurchase special account of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd”. were transferred to the designated account of “Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. – A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2022)” through non-trading transfer. The lock-up period is from 22 July 2022 to 21 July 2023.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

The following table discloses movements in the A Share ESOPs during the year:

Name or category of Participants	On 1 January 2022	Granted during the year	Vested during the year (Note)	Cancelled during the year	Lapsed during the year	On 31 December 2022	Date of grant of A Share ESOP	Vesting period for A Share ESOP
Directors*								
Mr. LI Huagang	137,400	—	50,100	—	—	87,300	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	173,306	—	—	—	173,306	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
	137,400	173,306	50,100	—	—	260,606		
Mr. GONG Wei	85,081	—	31,528	—	—	53,553	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	93,061	—	—	—	93,061	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
	85,081	93,061	31,528	—	—	146,614		
Subtotal	222,481	266,367	81,628	—	—	407,220		
Supervisors								
Mr. LIU Dalin	31,406	—	11,470	—	—	19,936	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	41,404	—	—	—	41,404	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
	31,406	41,404	11,470	—	—	61,340		
Ms. MA Yingjie	7,886	—	3,141	—	—	4,745	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	8,675	—	—	—	8,675	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
	7,886	8,675	3,141	—	—	13,420		
Mr. YU Miao	6,225	—	2,479	—	—	3,746	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	6,704	—	—	—	6,704	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
	6,225	6,704	2,479	—	—	10,450		
Subtotal	45,517	56,783	17,090	—	—	85,210		
Five highest paid employees								
In aggregate	582,926	—	222,702	—	—	360,224	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	600,767	—	—	—	600,767	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
Other employees								
In aggregate	24,589,883	—	7,295,660	—	—	17,294,223	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	—	25,890,138	—	—	—	25,890,138	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
	25,172,809	26,490,905	7,518,362	—	—	44,145,352		
Total	25,440,807	26,814,055	7,617,080	—	—	44,637,782		

* Mr. LIANG Haishan and Mr. XIE Juzhi retired from their positions as executive directors on 28 June 2022. They had 972,132 and 94,011 A Shares ESOP outstanding respectively on 28 June 2022 and there was no change of their holding of A Shares ESOP from 1 January 2022 till 28 June 2022.

The closing price of the Company's A Share immediately before the grant date of the A Share ESOP was RMB23.5 per share. The fair values of the A Share ESOP granted on 10 August 2022 is RMB607 million. The weighted average closing price of the share immediately before the vesting date of the A Share ESOP was RMB25 per share. Refer to note 37 of the consolidated financial statements for the details of the fair value measurement of the A Share ESOP.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

The granting mandate of each of the A Share ESOPs is only valid and effective for that particular year, and therefore there is no remaining life for such A Share ESOPs as at the date of this annual report. As at 1 January and 31 December 2022, the number of share awards available for grant under the A Share ESOPs was nil.

The particulars regarding dilution effect of the A Share ESOP are set out in note 12 to the financial statements.

Notes:

1. The assessment criteria under the A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP (2021) ("2021 ESOP") are as follows:

The assessment criteria and vesting conditions for participants under the 2021 ESOP who are the Chairman, President and corporate platform staff of the Company are as follows: (1) If the ESOP Management Committee assesses that such participants have achieved the target results for 2021 and the growth of the Company's audited net profit attributable to the parent for 2021 exceeds 26% (including 26%) over the pro forma net profit attributable to the parent for 2020 (excluding the one-off gain on disposal of 54.40% equity interest in Haier COSMO IOT Ecosystem Technology Co., Ltd. (海爾卡奧斯物聯生態科技有限公司) (hereinafter referred to as "COSMOPlat")), 40% of the interests of the underlying shares in the 2021 ESOP shall be vested to the participants in full; if the growth rate is between 20.8% (including 20.8%) and 26%, the ESOP Management Committee will determine the percentage of vesting and report to the Remuneration and Assessment Committee of the Board of Directors for approval before vesting; if the growth is less than 20.8% (excluding 20.8%), the corresponding portion of the 2021 assessment will not vest. (2) If the ESOP Management Committee assesses that such participants have achieved the target results for 2022 and the compound annual growth rate of the Company's audited net profit attributable to the parent for 2022 exceeds 18% (including 18%) over the pro forma net profit attributable to the parent for 2020 (excluding the one-off gain on disposal of 54.40% equity interest in COSMOPlat), 60% of their interests of the underlying shares in the 2021 ESOP for such period shall vest to the participants in full; if the compound annual growth rate is between 14.4% (including 14.4%) and 18%, the ESOP Management Committee will determine the percentage of vesting and report to the Remuneration and Assessment Committee of the Board of Directors for approval before vesting; if the growth is less than 14.4% (excluding 14.4%), the corresponding portion of the 2022 assessment will not vest.

Other than the aforementioned participants, the passing rate of the ESOP Participants shall be determined by the ESOP Management Committee and the vesting could be 40% and 60% for 2021 and 2022, respectively.

2. The assessment indicators under the A Share and H Share ESOP (2022) ("2022 ESOP") are as follows:

- a. Where the participants under the 2022 ESOP are the chairman, president and platform personnel of the Company, the assessment indicators and vesting shall be as follows: If the results of the Management Committee's assessment of such participants in 2022 are up to the standard, and the audited net profit attributable to the parent company of the Company in 2022 is increased by more than 15% (inclusive) compared with the pro forma net profit attributable to parent company in 2021, 40% of the interests of the underlying shares in the 2022 ESOP shall be vested to the participants. If the said net profit is increased by 12% (inclusive) to 15%, vesting shall be made after the proportion of vesting is determined by the Management Committee and submitted to the Remuneration and Assessment Committee for approval; if the said net profit is increased by less than 12% (exclusive), the corresponding part of assessment in 2022 will not be vested. If the results of the Management Committee's assessment of such participants in 2023 are up to the standard, and the audited net profit attributable to the parent company of the Company in 2023 is increased by more than 15% (inclusive) compared with the pro forma net profit attributable to parent company in 2021 on a CAGR basis, 60% of the interests of the underlying shares under the 2022 ESOP shall be vested to the participants. If the said net profit is increased by 12% (inclusive) to 15% on a CAGR basis, vesting shall be made after the proportion of vesting is determined by the Management Committee and submitted to the Remuneration and Assessment Committee for approval; if the said net profit is increased by less than 12% (exclusive), the corresponding part of assessment in 2023 will not be vested. The "net profit attributable to the parent company": (1) the net profit attributable to the parent company during the 2021 represents audit data for 2021 Audit Report, amounting to RMB13.067 billion; (2) the other net profit attributable to the parent company during the 2022 and 2023 represents audited net profit attributable to the parent company after excluding the one-off impact on profit or loss arising from any material asset disposal/acquisition (if any) for the year. (In this regard, with reference to relevant requirements in the Rules Governing the Listing of Stocks on the Shanghai Stock Exchange and the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited, material asset disposals and acquisitions are defined as: (1) material asset disposals and acquisitions with an individual transaction amount representing over 5% (inclusive) of the latest audited net asset attributable to the parent company of the listed company, or (2) individual transaction with asset creating a net profit or net profit of acquisition target representing over 5% of the latest audited net profit attributable to the parent company of the listed company.)
- b. Where the participants under the 2022 ESOP are the persons other than those mentioned in item a above, 40% and 60% of the interests of the underlying shares under the 2022 ESOP shall be vested respectively if the results of the Management Committee's assessment in 2022 and 2023 are up to the standard.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Shares restricted shares award scheme (continued)

H Share ESOP (2021)

The total amount of funds used to participate in the ESOP for 2021 was RMB90 million. Pursuant to the arrangement of the H Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2021), the Company entrusted an asset management company to purchase a total of 3,757,000 H Shares of the Company in the secondary market through the Hong Kong Stock Connect, with an average transaction price of HK\$28.268 per share and a transaction amount of approximately HK\$106 million. The aforesaid purchased shares will be subject to lock-up for a period from 27 July 2021 to 26 July 2022.

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is generally two years in the proportion of 40% and 60%, and the final appraisal period and the vesting proportion shall be determined by the Management Committee of the ESOP.

Upon the vesting of the H Shares, the vested H Shares will be sold by the asset management company on due course for the cash settlement to the participants.

The participants of the H Share ESOP are 35 core senior management staff members of the Company who play an important role in the overall performance and development of the Company.

H Share ESOP (2022)

Participants of the 2022 ESOP shall include the directors (except for independent directors) and senior officers of the Company, and core technical (business) personnel of the Company and its subsidiaries, totaling 33 persons. The total amount of funds to be used to participate in the 2022 ESOP shall be RMB60 million. There are 8 persons including directors, and senior officers, with a total share of RMB20.53 million, accounting for 34.2% of the 2022 ESOP. There are 25 other core management personnel of the Company, with a total share of RMB39.47 million, accounting for 65.8% of the 2022 ESOP.

The source of shares of the 2022 ESOP shall be the H shares of the Company purchased from the secondary market through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect. The lock-up period shall be 12 months, calculated from the date when the Company announces that the underlying shares purchased in the last time are recorded in the 2022 ESOP.

During the year, the Company entrusted an asset management company to purchase a total of 2,653,200 H Shares of the Company in the secondary market through the Hong Kong Stock Connect, with an average transaction price of HKD25.663 per share and a transaction amount of approximately HK\$68 million.

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants of the 2022 ESOP shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is two years, and upon the appraisal, 40% and 60% of the shares of the plan shall be vested to the participants in two phases.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

H Share ESOP (2022) (continued)

The specific vesting time shall be determined by the Management Committee upon the expiration of the lock-up period. Upon the vesting of the H Shares, the vested H Shares will be sold by the asset management company on due course for the cash settlement to the participants.

The following table discloses movements in the H Share ESOPs during the year:

Name or category of Participants	On 1 January 2022	Granted during the year	Vested during the year (Note)	Cancelled during the year	Lapsed during the year	On 31 December 2022	Date of grant of H Share ESOP	Vesting period for H Share ESOP
Directors*								
Mr. Li Huagang	159,620	–	59,300	–	–	100,320	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	–	194,347	–	–	–	194,347	10/08/2022	30/07/2022–30/07/2024
	159,620	194,347	59,300	–	–	294,667		
Mr. GONG Wei	98,840	–	36,627	–	–	62,213	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	–	104,359	–	–	–	104,359	10/08/2022	30/07/2022–30/07/2024
	98,840	104,359	36,627	–	–	166,572		
Subtotal	258,460	298,706	95,927	–	–	461,239		
Five highest paid employees								
In aggregate	314,126	–	113,490	–	–	200,636	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	–	326,356	–	–	–	326,356	10/08/2022	10/08/2022–30/07/2024
Other employees								
In aggregate	3,184,414	–	1,082,932	–	–	2,101,482	30/07/2021	30/07/2021–30/07/2023
	–	2,028,138	–	–	–	2,028,138	10/08/2022	30/07/2022–30/07/2024
	3,498,540	2,354,494	1,196,422	–	–	4,656,612		
Total	3,757,000	2,653,200	1,292,349	–	–	5,117,851		

* Mr. LIANG Haishan and Mr. XIE Juzhi retired from their positions as executive directors on 28 June 2022. They had 1,129,344 and 109,214 H Shares ESOP outstanding respectively on 28 June 2022 and there was no change of their holding of H Shares ESOP from 1 January 2022 till 28 June 2022.

The closing price of the Company's H Share immediately before the grant date of the H Share ESOP was HK\$23.7 per share. The fair values of the H Share ESOP granted on 10 August 2022 is RMB52 million, the Group recognised a total A and H Share ESOP expense of RMB567 million during year ended 31 December 2022. The weighted average closing price of the shares immediately before the vesting date of the H Share ESOP was HK\$25.8 per share. Refer to note 37 of the consolidated financial statements for the details of the fair value measurement of the H Share ESOP.

The granting mandate of each of the H Share ESOPs is only valid and effective for that particular year, and therefore there is no remaining life for such H Share ESOPs as at the date of this annual report. As at 1 January and 31 December 2022, the number of share awards available for grant under the H Share ESOPs was nil.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

H Share ESOP (2022) (continued)

The particulars regarding dilution effect of the H Share ESOP are set out in note 12 to the financial statements.

Note:

The assessment criteria for H Share ESOP are the same as for A Share ESOP. Refer to the note to the table disclosing movements in the A Share ESOPs above.

H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2021 and 2022)

The purposes of the RSU Scheme are to stimulate the pro-activeness of the eligible persons, encourage their innovation to create value, enhance profit, achieve competitive goals, and ultimately maximise return for the shareholders; to promote the strategic development and realize the goals of the Company; to optimise the remuneration structure of the Group's employees; to attract, motivate and retain core capable talents of the Group for the future business development and expansion of the Group.

Eligible Person who may participate in the RSU Scheme include any individual, being an employee, director, supervisor, senior management, key operating team member of any member of the Group who the Board or its delegatee considers, in their sole discretion, to have significantly contributed or will significantly contribute to the development of the Group.

Subject to the RSU Scheme Rules, the Company and/or the delegatee may from time to time instruct the trustee in writing to subscribe or acquire H Shares on the Stock Exchange and to hold them on trust for the benefit of the selected participants on and subject to the terms and conditions of the RSU Scheme Rules and the Trust Deed.

The Board or the delegatee may grant awards to selected participants during the award period conditional upon fulfilment of terms and conditions of the awards and performance targets as the Board or the delegatee determines from time to time.

The Board shall not make any further grant which will result in the aggregate number of H Shares granted to exceed one per cent (1%) of the total number of issued H Shares as at the relevant grant date. The total number of RSU granted but remain unvested to a selected participant under the RSU Scheme shall not exceed zero point one per cent (0.1%) of the total number of issued H Shares as at the relevant grant date.

The vesting of the Award granted under the RSU Scheme is subject to the conditions of the relevant business unit(s) and personal performance targets of the relevant selected participant and any other applicable vesting conditions as set out in the award letter.

Pursuant to the arrangement of the H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2021), the Company entrusted an independent trust agency to purchase a total of 4,538,400 H Shares of the Company in the secondary market, with an average price of HK\$27.32 and a total transaction amount of approximately HK\$124 million.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)**Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)****H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2021 and 2022) (continued)**

In year 2021, a total of 4,438,027 H Share RSU of the Company were granted to and accepted by staff members of the Company (who are not directors, chief executive and supervisors of the Company) who play an important role in the overall performance and development of the Company.

Pursuant to the arrangement of the H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2022), the Company entrusted an independent trust agency to purchase a total of 5,783,600 H Shares of the Company in the secondary market, with an average price of HK\$26.63 and a total transaction amount of approximately HK\$154 million.

During the reporting year (2022), a total of 5,636,959 H Share RSU of the Company were granted to and accepted by staff members of the Company (who are not directors, chief executive and supervisors of the Company) who play an important role in the overall performance and development of the Company.

The following table discloses movements in the Company's H Share RSU during the year:

Name or category of Participants	Number of H Share RSU					On 31 December 2022	Date of grant of RSU	Vesting period for RSU
	On 1 January 2022	Granted during the year	Vested during the year	Cancelled during the year	Lapsed during the year			
Non-director employees								
In aggregate	4,438,027	—	309,451	—	725,553	3,403,023	30/7/2021, 1/9/2021, 15/12/2021	30/7/2021–1/8/2024, 1/9/2021–1/8/2024, 15/12/2021–1/8/2024
In aggregate	—	62,266	—	—	—	62,266	25/5/2022	25/5/2022–1/8/2024
In aggregate	—	5,574,693	—	—	274,107	5,300,586	23/6/2022, 9/9/2022	23/6/2022–1/7/2025, 9/9/2022–1/7/2025
	4,438,027	5,636,959	309,451	—	999,660	8,765,875		

The closing prices of the Company's H Share immediately before the grant date of the RSU on 25 May 2022, 23 June 2022 and 9 September 2022 were HK\$25.4, HK\$26.6 and HK\$25.5 per share respectively. The fair values of the RSU granted on 25 May 2022, 23 June 2022 and 9 September 2022 were RMB1 million, RMB123 million and RMB1 million respectively, the Group recognised a total restricted share expense of RMB30 million during year ended 31 December 2022. The weighted average closing price of the shares immediately before the vesting date of the H Share RSU was HKD 25.6 per share. Refer to note 37 of the consolidated financial statements for the details of the fair value measurement of the H Share RSU.

SHARE AWARD SCHEMES (continued)

Introduction of the new phase of A-Share and H-Share ESOPs, and H-Share restricted shares award scheme (continued)

H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2021 and 2022) (continued)

The granting mandate of each of the H Share RSU schemes is only valid and effective for that particular year, and therefore there is no remaining life for H Share RSU schemes as at the date of this annual report. As at 1 January and 31 December 2022, the number of share awards available for grant under the H Share RSU schemes was nil.

The particulars regarding dilution effect of the H Share RSU are set out in note 12 to the financial statements.

At the date of approval of these financial statements, the Company had 8,765,875 H Share RSU outstanding under the RSU Scheme, which represented approximately 0.31% of the Company's total number of H Shares in issue as at that date.

Further details of the H Share RSU is set out in note 37 to the consolidated financial statements.

A-SHARE OPTION SCHEME

The participants under the A Share Option Incentive Schemes exclude the Company's independent directors, supervisors, the shareholders individually or in aggregate holding 5% or more of the shares of the Company or the de facto controllers and their spouses, parents or children.

The total number shares of the Company to be granted under the A Share Option Incentive schemes within the validity period to any participants will not exceed 1% of the total number of shares of the Company. The total underlying shares of the Company involved under fully effective share option incentive schemes shall not exceed 10% of the total number of shares of the Company as at the date of the proposal of the incentive scheme at the shareholders' meetings for approval. The source of the scheme share for A Share Option Incentive Scheme are from the issuance of new shares.

2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme

The Company adopted a 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme (the "2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme") at the extraordinary general meeting held on 15 September 2021. This scheme is an additional measure that builds on the Company's A Share and H Share Employee Stock Ownership Schemes and Restricted Share Unit Scheme to further enhance employee incentives.

To drive the achievement of the Company's longer term target, further enhance the development of high-end scenario-based brand and smart household business, the Company introduced the A Share Option Incentive Scheme to provide incentive to the core management members with five or six-year appraisal period and higher profit targets than those under the A Share and H Share ESOP.

The participants of the A Share Option Incentive Scheme are core management staff that have made significant contribution to the Company's overall performance and long-term development, specifically including Directors and senior management of the Company, the general manager and department manager of business divisions of the Company.

For the 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme, the Company had resolved to grant 51,000,000 Share Options to the Participants. Among which, first 46,000,000 to be granted and 5,000,000 to be reserved.

A-SHARE OPTION SCHEME (continued)

2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme (continued)

In year 2021, on 15 September 2021, the Company firstly granted 46,000,000 A Share options to 400 participants (included directors of the Company). On 15 December 2021, the Company granted 4,525,214 reserved share options to 18 participants under the 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme. The remaining reserved share options under the A Share Option Incentive Scheme will not be further granted.

2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme

The Company adopted a 2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme (the “2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme”) at the annual general meeting held on 28 June 2022.

As the Company is leading the effort to upgrade its Internet of Things from “high-end brands” to “scenario brands”, and to “ecological brands”, the Company needs to have long-term planning to ensure the achievement of its strategic results and also improve its long-term incentive scheme in line with the above objectives. As such, the incentive scheme encourages core technology talents and business team to venture and innovate continuously, as well as significantly boosts and promotes participants’ initiative through the formulation of long-term performance growth indicators and inspires them to provide users with the best experience and achieve business development across the industry cycle.

The incentive model serves as a benchmark for the development in the coming 4 years as a cycle, which expedites participant’s alignment with the Company’s strategic objectives of long-term development, and further promotes the synergistic consolidation of businesses, boosts operation efficiency and achieves industry leading.

The participants are core staff that includes business director, core technical staff and business backbone staff of the Company (excluding current Directors and senior management of the Company) and have made significant contributions to the Company’s overall performance and long-term development.

For the 2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme, the Company had resolved to grant 104,756,896 A Share options to the Participants. On 28 June 2022, the Company had granted 104,756,896 A Share options to 1,834 participants.

A-SHARE OPTION SCHEME (continued)

The following table discloses movements in the Company's A Share options outstanding during the year:

Name or category of Participants	Number of A-Share options						Date of grant of share options (note 1)	Exercise period of share options	Exercise price of share options per share (note 2) RMB
	On 1 January 2022	Granted during the year	Exercised during the year	Cancelled during the year (note 3)	Lapsed during the year	On 31 December 2022			
Executive directors*									
Mr. LI Huagang	913,900	—	—	—	—	913,900	15/09/2021	15/09/2022 to 15/09/2027	25.63
Mr. GONG Wei	457,000	—	—	—	—	457,000	15/09/2021	15/09/2022 to 15/09/2027	25.63
Other employees									
In aggregate	44,629,100	—	—	—	—	44,629,100	15/09/2021	15/09/2022 to 15/09/2027	25.63
In aggregate	4,525,214	—	—	—	—	4,525,214	15/12/2021	15/12/2022 to 15/12/2027	25.63
In aggregate	—	104,756,896	—	—	—	104,756,896	28/06/2022	28/06/2023 to 28/06/2027	23.86
	50,525,214	104,756,896	—	—	—	155,282,110			

* Mr. LIANG Haishan and Mr. XIE Juzhi retired from their positions as executive directors on 28 June 2022. They had 913,900 and 913,900 A Shares options outstanding respectively on 28 June 2022 and there was no change of their holding of A Shares options from 1 January 2022 till 28 June 2022.

There is no consideration payable on application or acceptance of the share options by the participants under the A Share option scheme. The granting mandate of each of the A Share option schemes is only valid and effective for that particular year, and therefore there is no remaining life for such A Share option schemes as at the date of this annual report. As at 1 January and 31 December 2022, the number of share options available for grant under the A Share option schemes was nil.

A-SHARE OPTION SCHEME (continued)

Exercise arrangement for the share options granted in 2021:

Exercise arrangement	Vesting periods	Proportion of exercisable share options to granted share options	Exercise periods	Performance appraisal target
1st exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 12 months from the date of grant	20%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 12 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 24 months from the date of grant	The growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 over adjusted net profit attributable to the parent company in 2020 reaches or exceeds 30%
2nd exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 24 months from the date of grant	20%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 24 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 36 months from the date of grant	The growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2022 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%
3rd exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 36 months from the date of grant	20%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 36 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 48 months from the date of grant	The compound annual growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2023 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%
4th exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 48 months from the date of grant	20%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 48 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 60 months from the date of grant	The compound annual growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2024 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%
5th exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 60 months from the date of grant	20%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 60 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 72 months from the date of grant	The compound annual growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2025 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%

Exercise arrangement for the share options granted in 2022:

Exercise arrangement	Vesting periods	Proportion of exercisable share options to granted share options	Exercise periods	Performance appraisal target
1st exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 12 months from the date of grant	25%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 12 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 24 months from the date of grant	The growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2022 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%
2nd exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 24 months from the date of grant	25%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 24 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 36 months from the date of grant	The compound annual growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2023 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%
3rd exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 36 months from the date of grant	25%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 36 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 48 months from the date of grant	The compound annual growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2024 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%
4th exercise	From the date of grant to the expiry of 48 months from the date of grant	25%	From the first trading day upon the expiry of 48 months from the date of grant to the last trading day upon the expiry of 60 months from the date of grant	The compound annual growth rate of the Company's net profit attributable to the parent company in 2025 over net profit attributable to the parent company in 2021 reaches or exceeds 15%

A-SHARE OPTION SCHEME (continued)

Exercise arrangement for the share options granted in 2022: (continued)

Notes:

1. The share options granted in 2021 will be valid for a maximum period of 72 months commencing from the grant date to the date of full exercise or cancellation of all share options granted to the participants. Upon the expiry of the 12-month period from the grant date of share options granted under the Incentive Scheme, and subject to the satisfaction of the Exercise Conditions, the participants may exercise the options in five yearly phases of 20% of the granted options each. The vesting period of the share options is from the date of grant until the respective vesting dates.

The share options granted in 2022 will be valid for a maximum period of 60 months commencing from the grant date to the date of full exercise or cancellation of all share options granted to the participants. Upon the expiry of the 12-month period from the grant date of share options granted under the Incentive Scheme, and subject to the satisfaction of the Exercise Conditions, the participants may exercise the options in four yearly phases of 25% of the granted options each. The vesting period of the share options is from the date of grant until the respective vesting dates.

2. The exercise price of the share options granted is not lower than the carrying amount of the shares, nor lower than the higher of the followings: (1) the average trading price of the A Shares on the trading day preceding the announcement of the A Share Option Incentive Scheme, and (2) the average trading price of the A Shares for the last 20 trading days preceding the announcement of the A Share Option Incentive Scheme. The number and exercise price of the share options is subject to adjustment(s) in the event of any distribution of dividends, capitalisation issue, bonus issue, sub-division or consolidation of shares and rights issue in accordance with the provisions of the A Share Option Incentive Scheme.
3. All the options forfeited before expiry of the relevant schemes will be treated as lapsed options which will not be added back to the number of shares available to be issued under the relevant schemes.

The closing price of the Company's A Share immediately before the grant date of the A Share options (28 June 2022) was RMB27.3 per share. The fair values of the A Share options granted on 28 June 2022 is RMB777 million, the Group recognised a total share option expense of RMB315 million during year ended 31 December 2022. Refer to note 37 of the consolidated financial statements for the details of the fair value measurement of the A Share options.

The number of A shares that may be issued in respect of A Share options granted under all schemes of the Company during the year ended 31 December 2022 represented 1.66% of the weighted average number of shares of the A Shares in issue for the year 2022. The total number of A Shares available for issue under the A-share option scheme is 155,282,110 as at 31 December 2022, representing approximately 1.64% of the total share capital as at 31 December 2022 and approximately 1.64% of the total share capital as at 27 April 2023 (the date of publication of 2022 annual report of the Company).

The particulars regarding dilution effect of the share options are set out in note 12 to the financial statements.

DIRECTORS' AND SUPERVISORS' RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SHARES IN OR DEBENTURES OF THE COMPANY

Save as the share awards (ESOPs and RSU scheme) and share options granted and vested to the Directors and supervisors, at no time during the year ended 31 December 2022 were rights to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company granted to any Directors, supervisors or their respective spouses or minor children, or were any such rights exercised by them, or was the Company, its holding company, or any of its subsidiaries or fellow subsidiaries a party to any arrangement to enable the Directors and supervisors to acquire such rights in any other body corporate.

CONTRACT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Group has contracts with Haier Corp and their subsidiaries and/or associates (collectively referred to as “Haier Affiliates”) for the transactions include those for Property Leasing Framework Agreement, Services Supply Framework Agreement, Services Procurement Framework Agreement, Products and Materials Sales Framework Agreement, Products and Materials Procurement Framework Agreement, and Financial Services Framework Agreement. Further details of the transactions undertaken in connection with these contracts during the year are included in the section “CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS”.

EQUITY-LINKED AGREEMENT

On 11 January 2022, the Company entered into a placing agreement with a placing agent for a placing of new H Shares of the Company under general mandate. A total of 41,413,600 H Shares have been placed to five placees, who and whose ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of and not connected with the Company and/or its connected persons. The placing price is HK\$28.00 per H Share.

Save as (i) above-mentioned placing agreement, (ii) the convertible bonds issued under the EB-to-CB Proposal, and (iii) the A-Share option incentive scheme, the Company has not engaged in any equity-linked agreement during the year ended 31 December 2022.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES

At 31 December 2022, the following shareholders who have interest in 5% or more of the issued share capital of the Company were recorded in the register of substantial shareholders as required to be kept by the Company pursuant to section 336 of the SFO:

Long positions:

Name of Shareholder	Class of Shares held	Number of Shares held	Nature of interest	Approximate percentage* of shareholding in the relevant class of Shares	Approximate percentage* of shareholding in the total share capital of the Company
Haier Group Corporation ^{Notes 1 to 4}	A Share	2,624,170,564	Beneficial owner Interest in controlled corporation Interest through voting rights entrustment arrangement	41.60%	27.78%
	H Share	538,560,000	Interest in controlled corporation	18.78%	5.70%
	D Share	58,135,194	Interest in controlled corporation	21.45%	0.62%
Haier COSMO Co., Ltd. ^{Notes 1 and 2}	A Share	1,258,684,824	Beneficial owner	19.95%	13.32%
HCH (HK) Investment Management Co., Limited ^{Note 3}	H Share	538,560,000	Beneficial owner	18.78%	5.70%
Haier International Co., Limited ^{Note 4}	D Share	58,135,194	Beneficial owner	21.45%	0.62%
Other H Class Shareholders ^{Note 5}					
Other D class Shareholders ^{Note 6}					

* The percentage is calculated on the basis that the share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2022 totalling 9,446,598,493 comprise 6,308,552,654 A Shares, 271,013,973 D Shares and 2,867,031,866 H Shares, representing approximately 66.78%, 2.87% and 30.35% of the total share capital of the Company, respectively.

SUBSTANTIAL SHAREHOLDERS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND UNDERLYING SHARES (continued)

Notes:

1. Haier Group Corporation holds directly 1,072,610,764 A Shares. In addition, Haier Group Corporation indirectly owns or controls (i) 1,258,684,824 A Shares through Haier COSMO Co., Ltd. (海爾卡奧斯股份有限公司) (formerly Haier Electric Appliances International Co., Ltd.), one of its subsidiaries, (ii) 172,252,560 A Shares through Qingdao Haier Venture & Investment Information Co., Ltd., one of its subsidiaries and (iii) 120,622,416 A Shares through Qingdao Haichuangzhi Management Consulting Enterprise (Limited Partnership), a party acting in concert with Haier Group Corporation.
2. Haier Group Corporation holds 51.20% of the issued shares in Haier COSMO Co. Ltd. (海爾卡奧斯股份有限公司) (formerly Haier Electric Appliances International Co., Ltd.), and is also entitled to exercise the remaining 48.80% voting rights in Haier Cosmo Co., Ltd. through an irrevocable voting rights entrustment arrangement.
3. HCH (HK) Investment Management Co., Limited ("HCH (HK)") holds 538,560,000 H Shares. Haier Group Corporation controls 100% voting rights in HCH (HK), thus is deemed to be interested in the 538,560,000 H Shares held by HCH (HK).
4. Haier International Co., Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Haier Group Corporation. Therefore, Haier Group Corporation is deemed to be interested in the 58,135,194 D Shares held by Haier International Co., Limited.
5. JPMorgan Chase & Co. held 288,993,143 H Shares, representing approximately 10.08% of the total number of H Shares. BlackRock, Inc. held 150,625,863 H Shares, representing approximately 5.25% of the total number of H Shares.
6. Silk Road Fund Co., Ltd. held 54,007,663 D Shares, representing approximately 19.93% of the total number of D Shares; Morgan Stanley held 16,244,153 D Shares, representing approximately 5.99% of the total number of D Shares.

Short positions and Lending pools:

JPMorgan Chase & Co. had a short position of 17,666,023 H Shares, representing approximately 0.62% of the total number of H Shares; and had a lending pool of 52,429,615 H Shares, representing approximately 1.83% of the total number of H Shares. BlackRock, Inc. had a short position of 1,824,800 H Shares, representing approximately 0.06% of the total number of H Shares.

Morgan Stanley had a short position of 13,884,576 D Shares, representing approximately 5.12% of the total number of D Shares.

Save as disclosed above, as at 31 December 2022, no person, other than the Directors of the Company, whose interests are set out in the section "Directors' interests and short positions in shares and underlying shares" above, had registered an interest or short position in the shares or underlying shares of the Company that was required to be recorded pursuant to section 336 of the SFO.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS

Haier Group directly and indirectly own 34.10% of the voting rights of the Company. Haier Group, together with its associates as defined under Rule 14A.13 of the Listing Rules, are therefore the Company's connected persons by virtue of Rules 14A.07(1) and 14A.07(4) of the Listing Rules.

The Board of the Company approved on 28 April 2022 that Qingdao Haier Smart Life Electric Co. Ltd. ("Life Electric Co."), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Agreement on the Transfer of Equity Interest in Qingdao TAB Robot Technology Co., LTD ("TAB") with Qingdao Haier Interconnect Technology Co. Ltd. ("Interconnect Co."), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Haier Group. Pursuant to this agreement, Life Electric Co. acquired 100% of the equity interest in TAB from Interconnect Co., and Life Electric Co. shall pay a consideration of RMB125 million in cash for the transfer of the equity interest. The purposes of the transaction are to establish the competitiveness of service robots for household cleaning, promote the development of the Company's cleaning appliance business, focus its cleaning appliance resources and build up its competitiveness in whole-house deep cleaning, as well as to enhance its corporate governance and reduce routine connected transactions of the Company.

The Board of the Company approved on 28 April 2022 that Haier Shareholdings (Hong Kong) Limited ("Haier Hong Kong"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Agreement on the Transfer of Equity Interest in Qingdao Haier Mold Co., Ltd. ("Mold Company") with Qingdao Haier Mold Smart Cloud Technology Co., Ltd. ("Haier Mold Technology"), an indirect subsidiary controlled by Haier Group. Pursuant to this agreement Haier Hong Kong sold 25% of the equity interest in the Mold Company to Haier Mold Technology, and Haier Mold Technology shall pay a consideration of RMB277.0 million in cash for the transfer of the equity interest. This transaction is in line with the development and strategic objectives of the Company.

The Board of the Company approved on 29 August 2022 that, in order to complement the self-manufacturing capability of refrigerator doors of Qingdao Haier Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd. ("Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd."), reduce the Company's routine connected transactions and enhance its level of corporate governance, Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the Equity Transfer Agreements with Haier Group Corporation, Haier COSMO Co., Ltd. and Qingdao Haier Tooling Development Co., Ltd. respectively (the "Transferors" which hold 30.23%, 65.58% and 4.19% equity interest in Qingdao Haier Special Plastic R&D Co., Ltd. ("Special Plastic Co., Ltd.") respectively). Pursuant to these agreements, Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd. acquired from the Transferors 100% of the equity interest in Special Plastic Co., Ltd. Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd. shall pay a total consideration of RMB152 million in cash for the transfer of the equity interest.

As at the end of the reporting period, the transactions were completed. These transactions constitute connected transactions of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules, and have complied with the disclosure requirements of Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Continuing Connected Transactions

Following the listing of the Company by way of introduction on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange (in the form of H Shares) for the privatisation of Haier Electronics Group Co., Ltd. by the Company, the transactions between members of the Group and Haier Group constitute continuing connected transactions of the Company under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules. These connected transactions have complied with the disclosure requirements of Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

The non-exempt continuing connected transactions include those for Property Leasing Framework Agreement, Services Supply Framework Agreement, Services Procurement Framework Agreement, Products and Materials Sales Framework Agreement, Products and Materials Procurement Framework Agreement, and Financial Services Framework Agreement. These continuing connected transaction agreements (except the Financial Services Framework Agreement) remained in force from the listing date of H-shares to 31 December 2022, and have been renewed during the year on 28 June 2022 (date of the 2021 Annual General Meeting of the Company) such that these agreements shall remain in force up to 31 December 2025. The Financial Services Framework Agreement had been renewed on 25 June 2021 (date of the 2020 Annual General Meeting of the Company) and shall remain in force up to 31 December 2023. Further details and reasons of these transactions are as follows:

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group had the following material transactions with Haier Group:

		Cap Amounts	Transaction Amounts	
		2022	2022	2021
	Notes	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
Property Leasing Framework Agreement	(i)	207,000	97,000	106,000
Services Supply Framework Agreement	(ii)	401,000	81,000	214,000
Services Procurement Framework Agreement	(iii)	6,449,000	5,963,000	5,477,000
Products and Materials Sales Framework Agreement	(iv)	5,310,000	2,859,000	2,955,000
Products and Materials Procurement Framework Agreement	(v)	24,805,000	16,712,000	19,197,000
Financial Services Framework Agreement	(vi)			

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (continued)**Continuing Connected Transactions (continued)**

	Notes	Cap Amounts 2022 RMB'000	Transaction Amounts 2022 RMB'000	2021 RMB'000
Deposit Services	(vi)			
(a) Maximum daily outstanding balance		32,000,000	31,977,000	28,655,000
(b) Interest income		960,000	570,000	340,000
Loan Services	(vi)			
(a) Maximum daily outstanding balance		7,000,000	338,000	557,000
(b) Interest expense		280,000	5,000	8,000
Other Financial Services	(vi)			
(a) Maximum daily trading balance of Foreign exchange derivative products		5,500,000	413,000	2,612,000
(b) Service fee		80,000	29,000	23,000

Notes:

- (i) The Group rents certain properties from Haier Group and its associates from time to time for the Group offices and business uses, for which Haier Group charges the Group rental and other charges. The purpose is that our Group has historically occupied certain properties owned by Haier Group and its associates for our offices and business uses. Since the relocation of such entities of our Group to other premises would result in unnecessary interruptions to our business and would incur unnecessary additional expenses, our Group entered into the Property Leasing Framework Agreement with Haier Group to ensure continuing smooth operation of our Group and to save costs.

The pricing policy (including but not limited to the rental and services fees to be paid by our Group to Haier Group and its associates, payment progress and method) would be negotiated between Haier Group and its associates and our Group at arm's length basis, with reference to market prices or normal commercial terms of this type of transactions with independent third parties.

- (ii) The Group has provided certain sales-related services mainly comprising after-sale services and value-added consumer services, such as installation, calibration, consultation, repair and maintenance and technical support and other services to Haier Group and its associates on a non-exclusive basis from time to time.

The purpose is that our Group has also entered into the Products Sales Framework Agreement with Haier Group, pursuant to which our Group would provide certain Products and Materials for Sale to Haier Group and its associates from time to time. The provision of sales-related services under the Services Supply Framework Agreement provides Haier Group with a one-stop solution in relation to its demands for Products and Materials for Sale from us. The enhancement of purchase experience of Haier Group through provision of sales-related services helps our Group maintain a stable and quality business relationship with Haier Group.

Pricing for the after-sale and value-added services provided by our Group to Haier Group and its associates pursuant to the Services Supply Framework Agreement varies taking into account the type and nature of each type of services, and pricing increases when a higher degree of technicality or costs are involved for the required service. Each type of services would be provided on terms no less favourable to our Group than those prevailing in the PRC market for the services of the same or comparable type, nature and quality and at similar time, with reference to market prices or normal commercial terms of this type of transactions with independent third parties.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Continuing Connected Transactions (continued)

Notes: (continued)

- (iii) The Group would purchase certain services mainly include logistics services, advertising, promotional and marketing services and other comprehensive services from Haier Group and its associates on a non-exclusive basis from time to time.

The purpose is that the Group and Haier Group have a long-term and stable business relationship. Haier Group is familiar with our business process and needs, quality standards and operational requirements, and is able to supply relevant services we needed on a constant basis. Based on our previous experience in business dealings with Haier Group and its associates, we believe that Haier Group and its associates are capable of effectively satisfying our demands for the relevant services in a stable and quality manner.

The fees to be paid by our Group to Haier Group and its associates pursuant to the Services Procurement Framework Agreement would be determined with reference to market prices or normal commercial terms of this type of transactions with independent third parties, or negotiated by the parties on an arm's-length basis by taking into consideration factors including but not limited to actual costs and expenses and market conditions. The prices and terms shall be no less favourable than those offered to our Group by independent third parties.

- (iv) The Group has to provide certain products and materials mainly include products for internal consumption, components and raw materials for production use and full-suite smart home solutions, including ancillary products and services to Haier Group and its associates on a non-exclusive basis from time to time.

The purpose is that the Group is familiar with Haier Group's business process and needs, quality standards and operational requirements, and is able to supply the Products and Materials for Sale needed by Haier Group on a constant basis and provides our Group with a stable income. Our Directors believe that maintaining a stable and quality business relationship with Haier Group will facilitate our current and future business operations. In addition, our Group is able to leverage on the centralised procurement platforms to source the components and materials requested by Haier Group from time to time at a relatively lower cost and profit from the spread offered, thereby enjoying benefits from economies of scale.

The fees to be charged for the Products and Materials for Sale to be sold by our Group to Haier Group and its associates pursuant to the Products and Materials Sales Framework Agreement would be at such prices to be agreed between the parties, in particular:

- The prices of sales of products and the smart home solutions would be determined taking into account the type of products and solutions, retail volume, market conditions and others, and would be not lower than the price of products and solutions of the similar nature, type and quality provided by our Group to comparable independent third parties in the market.
- The prices of sales of components and materials would be determined based on actual sales prices of the components and materials plus a commission fee rate (which is for the purpose of covering the relevant operational and administrative expenses of the members of our Group in providing the components and materials) of no more than 1.25%.

The sales (including the applied discount rates and commission fee rates) would be on terms no less favourable to our Group than those prevailing in the PRC market for products, components and materials of the same or comparable type, nature and quality and at similar time as well as those offered by our Group to independent third parties.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Continuing Connected Transactions (continued)

Notes: (continued)

- (v) The Group has to procure certain products and materials mainly comprising products for internal consumption and resale uses, production and experimental equipment used, idled, procured and/or tailor-made by Haier Group and its associates for the Group internal consumption use, and raw materials and parts required for production use from Haier Group and its associates on a non-exclusive basis, from time to time.

The purpose is that Haier Group is familiar with our business process and needs, quality standards and operational requirements, and is able to supply the Products and Materials to Procure needed by us on a constant basis. Our Group is allowed to leverage on the scale and efficiency of the centralised procurement platform of Haier Group and its associates for its production operations of different segments thereby lowering our Group's procurement costs. Based on our previous experience in business dealings with Haier Group and its associates, we believe that Haier Group and its associates are capable of effectively satisfying our demands for relevant stable and quality products, equipment and materials.

The procurement amount to be charged by Haier Group and its associates for the products to procure would be negotiated by the parties at arm's length basis on terms no less favourable than those offered to our Group by independent third parties. In the event that there are no appropriate independent third parties providing products and materials of same or similar quality, our Group will refer to the fees and terms of products of same or similar quality provided by Haier Group and its associates to independent third parties, cost of products and materials, estimated value and market price for comparison and referencing purpose.

The procurement amount to be charged by Haier Group and its associates for the equipment to procure would be determined based on arm's length negotiation after taking into account various factors such as the sources, depreciation, and net asset values of such equipment, relevant cost and expense (such as purchase price of such equipment, relevant operational and administrative expenses, etc.), with reference to the estimated values and market prices, which is determined based on the historical prices paid by our Group to independent third parties in procuring the equipment of similar type and quality.

The procurement amount to be charged by Haier Group and its associates for the materials to procure would be determined based on the actual cost (for example, prices obtained by Haier Group and/or its associates through bidding process (if applicable) or other actual purchase prices) plus a commission fee rate (which is for the purpose of covering the relevant operational and administrative expenses of Haier Group and its associates in providing the materials) of no more than 1.25%, or based on market prices.

- (vi) Haier Group and its associates mainly Haier Group (Qingdao) Financial Holdings Limited and Haier Group Finance Co., Ltd. (collectively "Haier Group Finance") etc., provided financial services mainly comprising deposit services, Loan services and entrusted loan services and other financial services to the Group on a non-exclusive basis from time to time.

The purpose is that Haier Group Finance, as enterprise group finance companies specialising in home appliance industry, can, subject to the supervision of the China Banking and Insurance Regulatory Commission provide a chain of various financial solutions to our Group in a more efficient and flexible manner than independent commercial banks. The benefits to our Group to use the financial services of Haier Group Finance include: (i) Haier Group Finance's better understanding of the operations and development needs of our Group which should allow more expedient and efficient provision of various tailor-made packaged financial services to our Group than other external banks in the PRC; and (ii) the enhanced cost savings by reducing the amount of finance fees and charges payable to external banks when Haier Group Finance can offer more favourable terms than those offered by external banks.

In terms of deposit services, pursuant to the Financial Services Framework Agreement, in respect of domestic RMB deposits, Haier Group and its associates provides deposit services to our Group, referring to the benchmark deposit interest rate announced by the PBOC on its official website for the same period from time to time, at an interest rate no less favourable than the highest interest rate for the same type of deposits as quoted by Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, Agricultural Bank of China, China Construction Bank, Bank of China and all the listed national joint stock banks in the PRC. Overseas deposits in RMB and foreign currencies are implemented in accordance with market principles, and the interest rate of similar deposits is more favourable than the highest interest rate of commercial banks available to the Group.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (continued)

Continuing Connected Transactions (continued)

Notes: (continued)

(vi) (continued)

In terms of loan services, Haier Group and its associates would provide loans to our Group at a price no less favourable than the market prices determined at arm's length basis with reference to the borrowing rate for the same type of loans charged by other two to three major financial institutions/commercial banks. The entrusted loan services provided by Haier Group and its associates as a financial service institution for our Group are provided on a free-of-charge basis. Our Group may use the internet banking system of Haier Group and its associates for settlement on a free-of-charge basis.

In terms of provision of Other Financial Services, the fees charged by Haier Group and its associates would be determined based on relevant market prices with reference to the benchmark rates published by the PBOC on its official website from time to time; if there is no such benchmark rates published by the PBOC for that kind of financial service, the fee would be determined with reference to, amongst other factors, the rates charged by other major financial institutions/commercial banks for the same types of services and on terms no less favourable than those offered by independent commercial banks/financial institutions in the PRC to our Group. Haier Group and its associates pools its resource advantages to obtain the lowest service fees and the best services from external financial institutions, and agrees that Haier Group and its associates would not charge any intermediate fees except those charged by external banks. In addition, Haier Group and its associates agrees to waive all the service fees to be paid by our Group to Haier Group and its associates, including without limitation, POS fees, account management fees, online banking activation fees, inquiry fees, deposit certificate fees, credit certificate fees, and internal settlement fees.

The internal audit department of the Company reviewed the continuing connected transactions and the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control procedures, and provided the findings to the independent non-executive Directors to assist them in performing their annual reviews. The independent non-executive Directors also made appropriate enquiries with the management to ensure that they have sufficient information to review the transactions and the internal control procedures. The INEDs have reviewed the continuing connected transactions set out above and have confirmed that these continuing connected transactions were entered into:

- (i) in the ordinary and usual course of business of the Group;
- (ii) on normal commercial terms or on terms no less favorable to the Group than terms available to or from independent third parties; and
- (iii) in accordance with the relevant agreements governing them on terms that are fair and reasonable and in the interests of the shareholders of the Company as a whole.

CONNECTED TRANSACTIONS (continued)

The amounts of the continuing connected transactions have not exceeded the caps disclosed in (i) the listing document for the Company's H Shares, or (ii) other previous announcements published by the Company.

HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited, the Company's auditors, were engaged to report on the Group's continuing connected transactions in accordance with Hong Kong Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 *Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information* and with reference to *Practice Note 740 Auditor's Letter on Continuing Connected Transactions* under the Hong Kong Listing Rules issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited, have issued their unqualified letter to the Board containing their findings and conclusions in respect of the continuing connected transactions disclosed above by the Group in accordance with Rule 14A.56 of the Listing Rules as follows:

- a. nothing has come to their attention that causes the auditors to believe that the disclosed continuing connected transactions have not been approved by the Company's board of directors.
- b. for transactions involving the provision of goods or services by the Group, nothing has come to their attention that causes the auditors to believe that the transactions were not, in all material respects, in accordance with the pricing policies of the Group.
- c. nothing has come to their attention that causes the auditors to believe that the transactions were not entered into, in all material respects, in accordance with the relevant agreements governing such transactions.
- d. with respect to the aggregate amount of each of the continuing connected transactions set out in the above list of continuing connected transactions, nothing has come to their attention that causes the auditors to believe that the disclosed continuing connected transactions have exceeded the annual caps as set by the Company.

A copy of the auditor's letter will be provided by the Company to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange in April 2023.

Save as disclosed in this chapter, none of the related party transactions set out in note 13 to the financial statements constitute connected transactions under Chapter 14A of the Listing Rules.

MANAGEMENT CONTRACTS

No contracts concerning the management and/or administration of the whole or any substantial part of the business of the Company were entered into or existed during the year.

DONATIONS

During the year, the Company's expenditure on charitable donation was approximately RMB19.14 million.

TAXATION POLICIES FOR DIVIDEND

Taxation policies applicable to the shareholders in respect of the cash dividend received for the shares held by them in the Company shall follow the laws and regulations as revised from time to time by the state, details in relation thereto will be otherwise announced by the Company.

SUFFICIENCY OF PUBLIC FLOAT

Based on information that is publicly available to the Company and within the knowledge of the Directors as at the date of this report, at least 25% of the Company's total issued share capital was held by the public, and the H Shares was more than 15% of our Company's total number of issued shares. Therefore, the Company is able to meet the minimum public float requirement under the Listing Rules.

EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Details of the significant events of the Group after the reporting period are set out in note 52 to the financial statements.

AUDITORS

There have been no changes of auditors in the preceding three years, and Hexin Certified Public Accountants LLP audited the 2022 annual financial statements prepared by the Company in accordance with Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises (PRC Accounting Standards).

HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited audited the 2022 annual financial statements prepared by the Company in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

On behalf of the Board

Li Huagang

Chairman

Qingdao, the PRC

30 March 2023

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT



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TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF HAIER SMART HOME CO., LTD.

(incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

OPINION

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. (the “**Company**”) and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the “**Group**”) set out on pages 140 to 311, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2022, and of its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“**IFRSs**”) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (the “**IASB**”) and have been properly prepared in compliance with the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Hong Kong Standards on Auditing (“**HKSAs**”) issued by the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (“**HKICPA**”). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors’ Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the HKICPA’s Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the “**Code**”), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS

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

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p>Provision for impairment of goodwill and other intangible assets</p> <p>Refer to Notes 2.3, 17 and 18 to the consolidated financial statements</p> <p>The Group had goodwill and other intangible assets with carrying amounts of approximately RMB23,644 million and RMB9,135 million respectively as at 31 December 2022.</p> <p>This impairment assessment conclusion was arrived at based on estimation of the recoverable amount of the goodwill and other intangible assets as at 31 December 2022 using the value-in-use model, which required exercise of management judgment with respect to the determination of appropriate discount rate and estimation of forecasted cash flows for the financial projection period, in particular future revenue growth.</p> <p>We focused on this area due to the size of the balances and the judgement exercised by management in determining impairment assessment on goodwill and independent external valuation were obtained in order to support management's estimates other intangible assets as at 31 December 2022.</p>	<p>Our procedures in relation to the management's impairment assessment included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating the competency, capabilities and objectivity of the independent professional external valuer; • Assessing the appropriateness of the methodology and key assumptions and inputs used based on our knowledge of the business and of the relevant industry and using our valuation experts; • Challenging management about the valuation reasonableness of key assumptions and inputs used, based on our knowledge of the business and industry; and • Checking, on sampling basis, the accuracy and relevance of the input data used. <p>Based on the procedures performed, we found that the management judgement and estimates used in impairment assessment were supported by the available evidence.</p>

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p>Provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories</p> <p>Refer to Notes 2.3 and 24 to the consolidated financial statements</p> <p>As at 31 December 2022, the Group had inventories of approximately RMB41,543 million and recognised provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories, net of approximately RMB1,145 million to consolidated statement of profit or loss during the year ended 31 December 2022.</p> <p>The provision against obsolete and slow-moving inventories is estimated based on the net realisable value of the inventories with reference to the latest selling prices and current market conditions.</p> <p>Management judgement is involved in estimating the selling price for inventories, the costs of completion and the costs necessary to make the sale.</p> <p>We focused on this area due to the size of the balances and the judgement exercised by management in determining the value of provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories.</p>	<p>Our procedures in relation to the management's assessment on provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating the estimates made by management and used to determine the value of provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories during the year and compare to the provisions made in prior year; • Performing a recalculation, on a sample basis, of the inventory provision made on individual inventories; • Sample checking on the subsequent selling price of finished goods; and • Checking the aging profile of inventories, the historical sales and usage records of the inventories. <p>Based on the procedures performed, we found that management judgement and estimates used in the provision assessment against obsolete and slow-moving inventories were supported by the available evidence.</p>

KEY AUDIT MATTERS (continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p>Provision for product warranties</p> <p>Refer to Notes 2.3 and 33 to the consolidated financial statements</p> <p>As at 31 December 2022, the Group had provision for product warranties of approximately RMB3,502 million. Product warranty provisions were made with reference to the sales volume and the expected unit costs for warranty services.</p> <p>The assessment of the provision amount involves management assumptions, judgements and estimates.</p> <p>We focused on this area due to the management's judgements were required in determining the value of provision for product warranties.</p>	<p>Our procedures in relation to the management's assessment on provision for product warranties included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluating the estimates made by management and used to determine the provision for product warranties during the year and compare to the provisions made in prior year; • Performing a recalculation, on a sample basis, of the provision made; • Sample checking on the subsequent costs of warranty services; and • Comparing the provision made by the Group and the operation result of the Group. <p>Based on the procedures performed, we found that management judgement and estimates used in the provision assessment against product warranties were supported by the available evidence.</p>

OTHER INFORMATION

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, but does not include the consolidated financial statements and our auditors' report thereon (the **"Other Information"**).

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

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

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND THE AUDIT COMMITTEE FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs issued by the IASB and the disclosure requirements of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

The Audit Committee is responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion solely to you, as a body, in accordance with our agreed terms of engagement, and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility towards or accept liability to any other person for the contents of this report. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with HKSAAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with HKSAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design, and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

We also provide the Audit Committee with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

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

The engagement director on the audit resulting in this independent auditors' report is Tien Sun Kit, Jack.

HLB Hodgson Impey Cheng Limited

Certified Public Accountants

Tien Sun Kit, Jack

Practising Certificate Number: P07364

Hong Kong, 30 March 2023

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
REVENUE	5	243,485	227,081
Cost of sales		(168,919)	(157,528)
Gross profit		74,566	69,553
Other gains, net	5	2,912	2,059
Selling and distribution expenses		(38,598)	(36,584)
Administrative expenses		(21,677)	(20,265)
Finance costs	7	(995)	(714)
Share of profits and losses of associates		1,582	1,888
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	6	17,790	15,937
Income tax expenses	10	(3,058)	(2,705)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR		14,732	13,232
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS)			
Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequently periods:			
Share of other comprehensive income/(loss) of associates		100	(50)
Effective portion of changes in fair value of hedging instrument for cashflow hedges, net of tax		10	101
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations		3,159	(1,400)
		3,269	(1,349)
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Changes arising from remeasurement of defined benefit plans		33	36
Change in fair value of equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI"), net of tax		(137)	1,165
		(104)	1,201
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/(LOSS) FOR THE YEAR, NET OF TAX		3,165	(148)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR		17,897	13,084

Consolidated Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Profit for the year attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		14,711	13,079
Non-controlling interests		21	153
		14,732	13,232
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the Company		17,878	12,947
Non-controlling interests		19	137
		17,897	13,084
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY			
– Basic (RMB per share)	12	1.58	1.41
– Diluted (RMB per share)	12	1.57	1.40

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	14	31,857	26,982
Investment properties	15	26	25
Right-of-use assets	16(a)	5,166	3,786
Goodwill	17	23,644	21,827
Other intangible assets	18	9,135	8,499
Interests in associates	19	24,528	23,201
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	20	5,852	4,852
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	22	1,339	309
Derivative financial instruments	23	—	47
Long-term prepayments	26	1,672	1,860
Deferred tax assets	35	1,722	1,857
Other non-current assets		519	580
Total non-current assets		105,460	93,825
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	24	41,543	39,912
Trade and bills receivables	25	25,494	27,980
Contract assets	31(a)	310	304
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	26	6,552	6,434
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL")	21	520	2,786
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	22	1,642	317
Derivative financial instruments	23	183	80
Pledged deposits	27	665	755
Other deposit with limited use	27	105	145
Cash and cash equivalents	27	53,369	45,198
Assets and disposal group held for sale	28	130,383	123,911
		—	5
Total current assets		130,383	123,916
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and bills payables	29	66,975	67,386
Other payables and accruals	30	24,709	25,362
Contract liabilities	31(b)	9,330	10,027
Interest-bearing borrowings	32	12,485	17,968
Lease liabilities	16(b)	903	688
Tax payables		1,703	1,309
Provisions	33	2,537	2,190
Derivative financial instruments	23	105	80
Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL	40	—	6
Total current liabilities		118,747	125,016

	Notes	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		11,636	(1,100)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		117,096	92,725
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Interest-bearing borrowings	32	13,627	3,075
Lease liabilities	16(b)	2,824	1,961
Convertible bond	41	—	335
Deferred income	34	835	723
Deferred tax liabilities	35	2,359	2,122
Provisions for pensions and similar obligations	46	1,011	1,173
Provisions	33	1,611	1,949
Derivative financial instruments	23	17	—
Other non-current liabilities		98	112
Total non-current liabilities		22,382	11,450
Net assets		94,714	81,275
EQUITY			
Share capital	36	9,447	9,399
Reserves	38	83,976	70,586
Equity attributable to owners of the Company		93,423	79,985
Non-controlling interests		1,291	1,290
Total equity		94,714	81,275

The consolidated financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board of directors On 30 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr Li Huagang
Chairman

Mr Gong Wei
Executive Director

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

As at 31 December 2022

		Attributable to owners of the Company														
		Reserves														
Notes	Issued equity	Capital reserve	Share-based payments reserve	Remeasurement of defined benefit plans reserve	Cash flow hedges reserve	PITOCI reserve	Equity method investments reserve	Reserve funds	Convertible bond reserve	Related profits	Exchange differences on translation reserve	Other reserves	Treasury shares reserve	Total reserves	Total non-controlling interests	Total equity
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
At 1 January 2021, as previously reported	9,028	14,226	-	37	(100)	(159)	(292)	3,044	2,355	38,470	(535)	773	(29)	57,810	1,255	68,133
Effect of business combination under common control	-	116	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	-	-	-	181	15	196
At 1 January 2021 (Restated)	9,028	14,342	-	37	(100)	(159)	(292)	3,044	2,355	38,535	(535)	773	(29)	57,991	1,270	68,229
Profit for the year (Restated)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,079	-	-	-	13,079	163	13,232
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	50	-	-	-	-	-	-	(50)	-	(50)
- Share of other comprehensive loss of associates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Effective portion of changes in fair value of hedging instrument for cashflow hedges, net of tax	-	-	-	-	103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	103	(2)	101
- Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,388)	-	-	(1,388)	(14)	(1,400)
- Changes arising from remeasurement of defined benefit plans	-	-	-	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	-	36
- Change in fair value of equity investments designated at PITOCI	-	-	-	-	-	1,165	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,165	-	1,165
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	36	103	1,165	50	-	-	13,079	(1,388)	-	-	12,947	137	13,084
Dividend payable to owners of the Company (Note 35b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,411)	-	-	-	(3,411)	-	(3,411)
Dividend payable to non-controlling interests (Note 35b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(63)	(63)
Transfer to reserves fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	333	-	(333)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recognition of equity settled share-based payment Changes in ownership interests in subsidiaries that do not result in a loss of control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	282	-	282
Business combination under common control	-	(100)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(100)	(94)	(194)
Purchase of treasury shares	-	(68)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,221)	(66)	-	(3,287)
Share repurchased and cancelled (Note 36)	(32)	(794)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	826	32	-	(3,221)
Issue of shares upon conversion of convertible bond (Note 41)	403	8,211	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,246)	-	-	-	-	5,965	-	6,368
Other changes	-	(2)	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	138	-	-	-	157	-	157
At 31 December 2021 (Restated)	9,939	21,631	282	73	3	1,006	(341)	3,437	119	47,998	(1,921)	773	(2,424)	70,586	1,290	81,275

Attributable to owners of the Company

Reserves

Notes	Issued equity RMB'M	Capital reserve RMB'M	Share-based payments reserve RMB'M	Remeasurement of defined benefit plans reserve RMB'M	Cash flow hedges reserve RMB'M	FITOCI reserve RMB'M	Equity investments reserve RMB'M	Reserve funds (Note 39a)(i) RMB'M	Convertible bond reserve RMB'M	Retained profits RMB'M	Exchange differences on translation reserve (Note 38)(iii) RMB'M	Other reserves (Note 38)(iv) RMB'M	Treasury shares reserve RMB'M	Total reserves RMB'M	Non-controlling interests RMB'M	Total equity RMB'M
At 1 January 2022 (Restated)	9,389	21,851	262	73	3	1,006	(841)	3,427	119	47,988	(1,521)	773	(4,424)	70,586	1,290	81,275
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,711	-	-	-	14,711	21	14,732
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	100
- Share of other comprehensive income of associates	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Effective portion of changes in fair value of hedging instrument for cashflow hedges, net of tax	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	8	10
- Exchange differences on translating foreign operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,169	3,169	-	-	3,169	(10)	3,159
- Changes arising from remeasurement of defined benefit plans	-	-	-	-	-	(137)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(137)	-	(137)
- Change in fair value of equity investments designated at FITOCI	-	-	-	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	-	33
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	33	2	(137)	100	-	-	14,711	3,169	-	-	17,878	19	17,897
Dividend payable to owners of the Company (Note 33b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(4,237)	-	-	-	(4,237)	-	(4,237)
Dividend payable to non-controlling interests (Note 33b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	576	-	(676)	-	-	-	-	(19)	(19)
Transfer to reserves fund	-	-	912	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	912	-	912
Recognition of equity settled share-based payment do not result in a loss of control	-	(49)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(168)	-	(215)	-	(215)
Business combination under common control	-	(306)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,012)	(306)	-	(306)
Purchase of treasury shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,012)	(2,012)	-	(2,012)
Share repurchased and cancelled (Note 38)	(15)	(916)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	330	15	-	
Issue of share (Note 38)	41	885	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	885	1	937
Issue of shares upon conversion of convertible bond (Note 41)	22	468	-	-	-	-	-	-	(119)	-	-	-	-	339	-	361
Other changes	-	(24)	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	173	-	(218)	248	180	-	180
At 31 December 2022	9,447	22,291	1,174	106	5	870	(841)	4,003	-	57,979	1,248	389	(3,858)	83,976	1,291	85,714

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before tax		17,790	15,937
Adjustments for:			
Finance costs	7	995	714
Interest income	5	(949)	(626)
Share of profits and losses of associates		(1,582)	(1,888)
Dividends income from equity investment designated at FVTOCI	5	(32)	(59)
Gain on disposal of financial assets/liabilities measured at FVTPL, net	5	(99)	(393)
Gain on disposal of associates and subsidiaries, net	5	(27)	(5)
Gain on disposal of non-current assets, net	5	(182)	(90)
Fair value loss/(gain) on financial assets/liabilities at FVTPL, net	5	122	(119)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	6	4,026	3,434
Depreciation of right-of-use assets and investment properties	6	928	761
Amortisation of other intangible assets and other non-current assets	6	1,092	867
Provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories, net	6	1,145	1,058
Impairment of trade and bills receivables, prepayments, deposits and other receivables and long-term prepayments, net	6	712	846
Impairment of property, plant and equipment, interests in associates, other intangible assets and contract assets	6	74	34
Equity-settled share-based expense	6	912	262
Operating cash inflow before movements in working capital		24,925	20,733
Increase in inventories		(2,774)	(11,480)
Decrease in trade and bills receivables, prepayments, deposits and other receivables and contract assets		1,781	5,375
(Decrease)/increase in trade and bills payables, other payable and accruals and contract liabilities		(2,072)	10,516
Change in other working capital		96	100
Cash generated from operations		21,956	25,244
Interest received		555	567
Income tax paid		(2,358)	(2,574)
Net cash generated from operating activities		20,153	23,237

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payment for purchases of non-current assets	(8,204)	(7,372)
Proceeds from disposal of non-current assets	229	290
Payment and proceeds for acquisition and disposal of subsidiaries, net	(240)	(483)
Payment and proceeds for acquisition and disposal of associate, net	(253)	(140)
Payment and proceeds for purchases and disposals of equity investments designated at FVTOCI, net	(1,028)	(736)
Payment and proceeds for purchases and disposals of financial assets measured at amortised cost and financial assets at FVTPL, net	(110)	(237)
Dividends received from associates	523	553
Interest received from equity investment designated at FVTOCI financial assets measured at amortised cost and financial assets at FVTPL	163	62
Net cash used in investing activities	(8,920)	(8,063)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceed from issue of share	940	—
Repurchases of shares	(2,012)	(3,221)
Transaction costs attributable to issue of new shares	(4)	(178)
Proceed from borrowings	18,360	12,053
Repayment of borrowings	(14,683)	(14,050)
Repayment of convertible bond	(5)	(5,500)
Dividends paid to shareholders	(4,297)	(3,411)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(35)	(70)
Lease payments	(959)	(769)
Interest paid for bond	—	(43)
Interest paid for borrowings	(803)	(512)
Other financing cash flows	(324)	41
Net cash used in financing activities	(3,822)	(15,660)

Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	7,411	(486)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	45,198	45,789
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	760	(105)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	53,369	45,198
ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
Non-pledged cash and bank balances	26,224	24,236
Time deposits	27,145	20,962
Cash and cash equivalents as stated in the Statement of financial position	53,369	45,198

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP

The predecessor of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd (hereinafter referred to as the “**Company**”) was Qingdao Refrigerator Factory, which was established in 1984. In 1989, based on the reorganization of the original Qingdao Refrigerator Factory, a limited company was set up by directional fund raising of RMB150 million. In 1993, after converting to a public subscription company and issuing additional 50 million shares to the public, the A shares of the Company were listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange in November 1993. The D shares and H shares of the Company were listed on The Frankfurt Stock Exchange in December 2018 and The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited in December 2021 respectively.

The address of the registered office is located at the Haier Science and Technology Innovation Ecological Park, Laoshan District, Qingdao, Shandong Province, PRC.

In the opinion of the directors of the Company, the ultimate controlling parent company of the Company is Haier Group Corporation (“**Haier Group**”).

The Company is mainly engaged in research, development, production and sales of home appliances covering refrigerator/freezers, kitchen appliances, air-conditioners, laundry appliances, water appliances and other smart home business, as well as offering complete sets of smart home solutions.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Renminbi (“**RMB**”), which is also the functional currency of the Company and all values are rounded to the nearest million (“**RMB’M**”) (“**M**”), except when otherwise indicated.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Particulars of the Company's principal subsidiaries are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Wonder Global (BVI) Investment Limited	British virgin Islands ("BVI")/BVI	RMB18,596	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of household appliances and logistics service	Limited liability company	(i)
Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc.	USA/USA	United States Dollars ("USD") 2,307	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of household appliances and distribution service	Limited liability company	(i)
Haier Singapore Investment Holding Co., Ltd.	Singapore/Singapore	USD896	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of household appliances and distribution service	Limited liability company	(ii)
Haier New Zealand Limited Investment Holding Company	New Zealand/ New Zealand	New Zealand Dollars ("NZD") 477	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of household appliances and distribution service	Limited liability company	(ii)
Candy S.p.A	Italy/Italy	Euro ("EUR") 42	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of household appliances and distribution service	Limited liability company	(iv)
Fisher & Paykel Appliances Limited	New Zealand/ New Zealand	NZD246	—	100	—	100	Research, development, manufacture, sale and distribution of home appliances business	Limited liability company	(ii)
Haier Electronic Group Co., Ltd.	Bermuda/Mainland China	Hong Kong Dollar ("HKD") 3,107	100	—	100	—	Investment holding	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Qingdao Haier Air Conditioner Gen.Corp., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB918	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and sale of household air-conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)
Guizhou Haier Electronics Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB141	59	—	59	—	Manufacture and sale of refrigerator	Limited liability company	(iii)
Hefei Haier Air- conditioning Co., Limited.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB12	100	—	99.22	—	Manufacture and sale of air-conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)
Wuhan Haier. Electronics Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB62	60	—	60	—	Manufacture and sale of air-conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Air-Conditioner Electronics Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB958	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and sale of air-conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Information Plastic company Development Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB78	100	—	100	—	Manufacture of plastic product	Limited liability company	(iii)
Dalian Haier Precision Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB48	90	—	90	—	Manufacture and sale of precise plastics	Limited liability company	(iii)
Hefei Haier Plastic Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB41	95.17	4.83	77.36	4.83	Manufacture and sale of plastic parts	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Meier Plastic Powder Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB12	40	60	40	60	Manufacture of plastic powder, plastic sheet and high-performance coatings	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Haier Precision Plastic Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB65	90	10	90	10	Plastic products, sheet metal work, electronics and hardware	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Refrigerator Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB207	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and production of fluorine- free refrigerators	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Refrigerator (International) Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB260	100	—	100	—	Manufacture of refrigerators	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Household Appliance Technology and Equipment Research Institute	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB67	100	—	100	—	Research and development of household appliances mold and technological equipment	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Qingdao Haier Whole Set Home Appliance Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB120	98.33	—	98.33	—	Research, development and sale of health-related of small household appliance	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB166	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and sale of fluorine-free refrigerators	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Dishwasher Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB180	100	—	100	—	Manufacture of dish washing machine and gas stove	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Special Freezer Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB388	100	—	100	—	Research, manufacture and sale of freezer and other refrigeration products	Limited liability company	(iii)
Dalian Haier Air-conditioning Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB110	90	—	90	—	Air conditioner processing and manufacturing	Limited liability company	(iii)
Dalian Haier Refrigerator Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB110	100	—	100	—	Refrigerator processing and manufacturing	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Electronic Plastic Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB60	100	—	100	—	Development, assembling and sale of plastics, electronics and product	Limited liability company	(iii)
Wuhan Haier Freezer Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB57	95	5	95	5	Research, manufacture and sale of freezer and other refrigeration products	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haidarui Procurement Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB110	98	2	98	2	Development, purchase and sale of electrical products and components	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Intelligent Home Appliance Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB357	91.46	1.01	98.91	1.09	Development and application of household appliances, communication, network engineering technology	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Haier Air-conditioning Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB130	76.92	23.08	76.92	23.08	Manufacture and sale of air conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Qingdao Haier Precision Products Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	70	—	70	Development and manufacture of precise plastic, metal plate, mould and electronic products for household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Air conditioning Equipment Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB20	—	100	—	100	Manufacture of household appliances and electronics	Limited liability company	(iii)
Dalian Free Trade Zone Haier Air-conditioning Trading Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	100	—	100	Domestic trading	Limited liability company	(iii)
Dalian Free Trade Zone Haier Refrigerator Trading Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	100	—	100	Domestic trading	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Haier Electronics Sales Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	95	5	95	5	Sales of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Haier Refrigeration Appliance Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB108	84.95	15.05	84.95	15.05	Processing and manufacturing of refrigerator	Limited liability company	(iii)
Hefei Haier Refrigerator Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB49	100	—	100	—	Processing and manufacturing of refrigerator	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Intelligent Building Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Air-conditioning engineering projects	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Gooddaymart Electric Appliance Sale Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	51	—	51	Sale of household appliances and electronics	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier (Jiaozhou) Products Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB119	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of air-conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Component Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB80	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of plastic and precise sheet metal products	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Haier Shareholdings (Hong Kong) Limited	Hong Kong/ Hong Kong	HKD28,463	100	—	100	—	Investment holding	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Shenyang Haier Refrigerator Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and sales of refrigerator	Limited liability company	(iii)
Foshan Haier Freezer Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and sales of freezer	Limited liability company	(iii)
Zhengzhou Haier Air-conditioning Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	100	—	100	—	Manufacture and sales of air conditioner	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haidayuan Procurement Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB20	100	—	100	—	Development, purchase and sales of electrical product and components	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Intelligent Technology Development Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB130	100	—	100	—	Development and research of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Hairi High-Tech Model Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB7	—	100	—	100	Design, manufacture and sales of product model and mould	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Hai Gao Design and Manufacture Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	75	—	75	Industrial design and prototype production	Limited liability company	(iii)
Beijing Haier Guangke Digital Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB6	—	55	—	55	Development, promotion and transfer of technology	Limited liability company	(iii)
Shanghai Haier Medical Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB38	—	66.87	—	80.93	Wholesale and retail of medical facility	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB80	100	—	100	—	Development and sales of software and information product	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Technology Investment Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB410	100	—	100	—	Entrepreneurship investment and consulting	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Casarte Smart Living Appliances Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB50	—	100	—	100	Development, production and sales of appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haichuangyuan Appliances Sales Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	100	—	100	Sales of household appliances and digital products	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier Overseas Electric Appliance Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB500	100	—	100	—	Sales of household appliances, international freight forwarding	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier Group (Dalian) Electrical Appliances Industry Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	100	—	100	—	Sales of household appliances, international freight forwarding	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Qingdao Haier Central Air-conditioning Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB110	—	100	—	100	Production and sale of air conditioners and refrigerator	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Haier Home Appliance Sale Hefei Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Sale of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Weixi Smart Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB4	—	71.43	—	71.43	Intelligent sanitary ware	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier U+smart Technology (Beijing) Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB143	100	—	100	—	Software development	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier (Shanghai) Electronic Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB13	100	—	100	—	Sales, research and development of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Shanghai Haier Zhongzhi Fang Chunag Ke Management Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB2	100	—	100	—	Business management consulting chuanguke management	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Smart Kitchen Appliances Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB180	—	100	—	100	Sale of smart kitchen appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
GE Appliance (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	100	—	100	Sale of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Special Cooling Appliance Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Production and sale of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Beijing Zero Micro Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB27	—	55	—	55	Promotion of technological development	Limited liability company	(iii)
Laiyang Haier Smart Kitchen Appliance Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Production and sale of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Hefei Haier Air Conditioning Electronics Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Production and sale of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier (Shanghai) Home Appliance Research and Development Center Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Research and development of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier (Shenzhen) R&D Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB15	—	100	—	100	Development, research and technical services of household and commercial electronics	Limited liability company	(iii)
Guangzhou Haier Air Conditioner Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB200	—	100	—	100	Manufacturing of refrigeration and air conditioning equipment	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Qingdao Yunshang Yuyi IOT Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB20	—	60	—	70	Research and development of IoT technology	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haizhi Robotics Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Asset management and equity investment	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Jija Cloud Intelligent Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	80	—	80	Research, development and sale of lighting appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haimeihui Management Consulting Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Leasing and business services	Limited liability company	(iii)
Wuxi Yunshang Internet of Clothing Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB3	—	100	—	100	Research and development of IoT technology	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haidacheng Procurement Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	100	—	100	—	Development, purchase and sale of electrical products and components	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Guangdong Heilong Intelligent Technology Co. Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB33	—	76.72	—	76.72	Scientific research and technical service industry	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Beijing Haixianghui Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB8	—	100	—	100	Scientific research and technical service industry	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Hairuijiejing Electronics Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB6	—	51	—	51	Research, development, transfer, consulting and service of electronic equipment	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier Smart Home Experience Cloud Ecological Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	100	—	100	—	Technology development of smart home products, whole furniture customization	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Haier Smart Home (Qingdao) Network Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Technical service, development, consultation, transfer	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Haier Smart Home (Qingdao) Network Operation Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Residential decoration, interior installation, renovation and repair of special equipment	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Internet of Wine Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB70	—	100	—	100	Urban distribution and transportation services, import and export of goods, technology import and export and food business	Limited Liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Qingdao Linghai Air Conditioning Equipment Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and production of air conditioners and refrigeration equipment	Limited Liability company	(iii)
Shenzhen Yunshnag Internet of Clothes Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	100	—	100	Import and export business, Internet, IoT, big data, AI, AR and technical services operation	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haixiangxue Human Resources Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	100	—	100	—	Professional intermediary activities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Jiangxi Haier Medical Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Wholesale and retail of medical equipment	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haizhi Yunlan Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	100	—	100	Development of technology service	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haishengze Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	100	—	100	Technical service of air conditioning	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Hailiyuan Recycling Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB55	—	100	—	100	Waste management of electrical and electronic equipment	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier HVAC Equipment Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB400	75	25	75	25	Manufacture and sale of air-conditioners	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Home AI Industry Innovation Center Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Integrated service of AI industry application system	Limited liability company	(iii)
Zhejiang Weixi IoT Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	100	—	100	IoT application service	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Quality Inspection Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	100	—	100	—	Inspection and testing of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haiyongcheng Certification Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	100	—	100	Product certification service	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Zhonghai Borui Testing Technology Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Testing and technology consulting of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Special Plastic Development Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB86	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of refrigerator doors	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Haier Robot Technology (Qingdao) Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1,850	—	100	—	100	Manufacture and sale of service robots	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Ririshun Service Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB31	—	100	—	100	After-sale services of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haizhiling Air Conditioning Engineering Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB8	—	100	—	100	Software development and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Haier Smart Home (Xiongan, Hebei) Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB50	—	100	—	100	Promotion of energy-saving technology	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao RuiBo Ecological Environmental Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB55	100	—	100	—	Environmental and AI technology consulting	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Sanyiniao Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB100	—	100	—	100	Technology service and advertisement design	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Jingzhi Recycle Environmental Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB30	—	100	—	100	Operation of dangerous waste	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Yunshang Jieshen Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB4	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Shanghai Yunshang Yuyi IoT Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB3	—	100	—	100	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Shijiazhuang Yunshang Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Nanjing Yunshang Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	80	—	80	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Shanxi Yunshang Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB2	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Tianjin Yunshang Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Yunshang Haihong Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB2	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chengdu Yunshang Meier Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB12	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION OF THE GROUP (continued)

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital 'M	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at 31 December				Principal activities	Type of legal status	Note
			2022		2021				
			Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect			
Beijing Yunshang Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1	—	51	—	51	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chengdu Yunshang Yilian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB10	—	100	—	100	Professional cleaning and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Water Ecology Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB1,000	—	100	—	100	Technology service, development and consultation	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haixiangmian Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB30	—	100	—	100	Sale of food and daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Kitchen IoT Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB2	—	100	—	100	Technology service and sale of daily necessities	Limited liability company	(iii)
Tibet Haifeng Intelligent Innovation Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Development of software and medical equipment	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haixiangzhi Technology Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB5	—	100	—	100	Manufacture of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Qingdao Haier Refrigeration Appliances Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB300	—	100	—	100	Manufacture of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)
Chongqing Haier Wasting Appliances Co., Ltd.	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB135	—	100	—	100	Manufacture of household appliances	Limited liability company	(iii)

* The English names of Mainland China companies referred to above in this note represent management's best efforts in translating these names into English as no English names have been registered or available.

** The above table is a list of principal subsidiaries of the Group. To give details of other subsidiaries would, in the opinion of the Directors, result in excessive length.

Notes:

- (i) The statutory financial statements for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting standards have been audited by Mazars LLP, a certified public accounting firm registered in USA.
- (ii) The statutory financial statements for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting standards have been audited by PricewaterhouseCoopers New Zealand, a certified public accounting firm registered in New Zealand.
- (iii) The statutory financial statements for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 prepared in accordance with Chinese accounting standards have been audited by Hexin Certified Public Accountants LLP, registered in Mainland China.
- (iv) The statutory financial statements for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting standards have been audited by Mazars Italia S.p.A, a certified public accounting firm registered in Italy.

All companies comprising the Group have adopted December 31, as their financial year end.

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRSs issued by the IASB. For the purpose of preparation of the consolidated financial statements, information is considered material if such information is reasonably expected to influence decisions made by primary users. In addition, the consolidated financial statements include applicable disclosures required by the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (“**Listing Rules**”) and by the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for certain equity investments designated at FVTOCI, derivative financial instruments, FVTPL, provisions for pensions and similar obligations and financial instruments that are measured at fair values at the end of each reporting period, as explained in the accounting policies set out below.

Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange for goods and services.

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, regardless of whether that price is directly observable or estimated using another valuation technique. In estimating the fair value of an asset or a liability, the Group takes into account the characteristics of the asset or liability if market participants would take those characteristics into account when pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Fair value for measurement and/or disclosure purposes in these consolidated financial statements is determined on such a basis, except for share-based payment transactions that are within the scope of IFRS 2 Share-based Payment, leasing transactions that are accounted for in accordance with IFRS 16, and measurements that have some similarities to fair value but are not fair value, such as net realisable value in IAS 2 Inventories or value in use in IAS 36 Impairment of Assets.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial 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.

For financial instruments and investment properties which are transacted at fair value and a valuation technique that unobservable inputs are to be used to measure fair value in subsequent periods, the valuation technique is calibrated so that at initial recognition the results of the valuation technique equals the transaction price.

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

In addition, for financial reporting purposes, fair value measurements are categorised into Level 1, 2 or 3 based on the degree to which the inputs to the fair value measurements are observable and the significance of the inputs to the fair value measurement in its entirety, which are described as follows:

- Level 1: inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2: inputs are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3: inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Merger accounting for business combination involving business under common control

On 28 April 2022, Life Electric Co., Ltd. a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the transfer agreement of Qingdao TAB Robot Technology Co., LTD. (“**TAB**”) with Qingdao Haier Interconnect Technology Co. Ltd. (“**Interconnect Co**”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Haier Group Corporation (together with its subsidiaries hereafter “**Haier Group**”), pursuant to which Life Electric Co. Ltd. agreed to acquire and the Interconnect Co. agreed to sell 100% of the equity interest in TAB at a consideration of RMB125 million.

Also, Qingdao Ririshun Electric Service Co. Ltd (“**Ririshun Electric**”), a subsidiary of the Company, entered into the equity transfer agreement of Qingdao Ririshun Services Co. Ltd. (“**Ririshun Services**”) with Ririshun Internet of Things Co. Ltd. (“**Ririshun Internet**”), a subsidiary of Haier Group, pursuant to which Ririshun Electric agreed to acquire and Ririshun Internet agreed to sell 60% of the equity interest in Ririshun Services at a consideration approximately of RMB51 million.

On 29 August 2022, Special Refrigerator Co., Ltd. (“**Special Refrigerator**”), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, entered into the equity transfer agreements of Special Plastic Co., Ltd (“**Special Plastic**”) with Haier Group, Haier COSMO Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Haier Group and Tooling Development Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Haier Group respectively (together the “**Transferors**”), pursuant to which Special Refrigerator agreed to acquire and the Transferors agreed to sell 100% of the equity interest in Special Plastic at a consideration of RMB152 million. As at the end of the reporting period, these transactions have been completed.

Since the Company, TAB, Ririshun Services and Special Plastic were ultimately controlled by Haier Group both before and after the completion of the transfer agreements, the acquisition of the TAB, Ririshun Services and Special Plastic were accounted for using the principles of merger accounting.

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

Merger accounting for business combination involving business under common control (continued)

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated statement of changes in equity and the consolidated statement of cash flows of the Group for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 include the results, changes in equity and cash flows of all companies comprising the Group TAB, Ririshun Services and Special Plastic, as if the corporate structure of the Group immediately after the completion of the equity transfer had been in existence throughout the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021, or since their respective dates of acquisition, incorporation or registration, where this is a shorter period.

The consolidated statement of financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2021 has been prepared to present the state of affairs of the Group and the TAB, Ririshun Services and Special Plastic as if the corporate structure of the Group immediately after the completion of the equity transfer had been in existence and in accordance with the respective equity interests and/or the power to exercise control over the individual company attributable to the Company as at 31 December 2021.

There are no significant adjustments made to the revenue, profit before tax, profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company, net assets, reserves and total equity previously reported by the Group as a consequence on the merger accounting for business combination involving businesses under common control.

2.2 APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

Amendments to IFRSs that are mandatorily effective for the current year

In the current year, the Group has applied the following amendments to IFRSs issued by the IASB for the first time, which are mandatorily effective for the Group's annual period beginning on 1 January 2022 for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements:

Amendments to IFRS 3	Reference to the Conceptual Framework
Amendment to IFRS 16	Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions beyond 30 June 2021
Amendments to IAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment — Proceeds before Intended Use
Amendments to IAS 37	Onerous Contracts — Cost of Fulfilling a Contract
Amendments to IFRSs	Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2018–2020

The application of the amendments to IFRSs in the current year has had no material impact on the Group's financial positions and performance for the current and prior years and/or on the disclosures set out in these consolidated financial statements.

2.2 APPLICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (continued)

New and amendments to IFRSs in issue but not yet effective

The Group has not early applied the following new and amendments to IFRSs, that have been issued but are not yet effective:

IFRS 17 (including the June 2020 and December 2021 Amendments to IFRS 17)	Insurance Contracts ¹
Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28	Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture ²
Amendments to IFRS 16	Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback ³
Amendments to IAS 1	Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current ³
Amendments to IAS 1	Non-current Liabilities with Covenants ³
Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2	Disclosure of Accounting Policies ¹
Amendments to IAS 8	Definition of Accounting Estimates ¹
Amendments to IAS 12	Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction ¹

¹ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

² Effective for annual periods beginning on or after a date to be determined.

³ Effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.

The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of all new and amendments to IFRSs will have no material impact on the consolidated financial statements in the foreseeable future.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company and its subsidiaries. Control is achieved when the Company:

- has power over the investee;
- is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Group reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary. Specifically, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income/consolidated statement of profit or loss from the date the Group gains control until the date when the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Basis of consolidation (continued)

Profit or loss and each item of other comprehensive income are attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests. Total comprehensive income of subsidiaries is attributed to the owners of the Company and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies in line with the Group's accounting policies.

All intragroup assets and liabilities, equity, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

Non-controlling interests in subsidiaries are presented separately from the Group's equity therein, which represent present ownership interests entitling their holders to a proportionate share of net assets of the relevant subsidiaries upon liquidation.

Business combinations or asset acquisitions

Optional concentration test

The Group can elect to apply an optional concentration test, on a transaction-by-transaction basis, that permits a simplified assessment of whether an acquired set of activities and assets is not a business. The concentration test is met if substantially all of the fair value of the gross assets acquired is concentrated in a single identifiable asset or group of similar identifiable assets. The gross assets under assessment exclude cash and cash equivalents, deferred tax assets, and goodwill resulting from the effects of deferred tax liabilities. If the concentration test is met, the set of activities and assets is determined not to be a business and no further assessment is needed.

Asset acquisitions

When the Group acquires a group of assets and liabilities that do not constitute a business, the Group identifies and recognises the individual identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed by allocating the purchase price first to investment properties which are subsequently measured under fair value model and financial assets/financial liabilities at the respective fair values, the remaining balance of the purchase price is then allocated to the other identifiable assets and liabilities on the basis of their relative fair values at the date of purchase. Such a transaction does not give rise to goodwill or bargain purchase gain.

Business combinations

A business is an integrated set of activities and assets which includes an input and a substantive process that together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs. The acquired processes are considered substantive if they are critical to the ability to continue producing outputs, including an organised workforce with the necessary skills, knowledge, or experience to perform the related processes or they significantly contribute to the ability to continue producing outputs and are considered unique or scarce or cannot be replaced without significant cost, effort, or delay in the ability to continue producing outputs.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Business combinations or asset acquisitions (continued)

Business combinations (continued)

Acquisitions of businesses, other than business combination under common control are accounted for using the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is measured at fair value, which is calculated as the sum of the acquisition-date fair values of the assets transferred by the Group, liabilities incurred by the Group to the former owners of the acquiree and the equity interests issued by the Group in exchange for control of the acquiree. Acquisition-related costs are generally recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

For business combinations in which the acquisition date is on or after 1 January 2022, the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed must meet the definitions of an asset and a liability in the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting issued by International Accounting Standards Board in March 2018 (the “Conceptual Framework”) except for transactions and events within the scope of IAS 37 or IFRIC 21, in which the Group applies IAS 37 or IFRIC 21 instead of the Conceptual Framework to identify the liabilities it has assumed in a business combination. Contingent assets are not recognised.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed are recognised at their fair value, except that:

- deferred tax assets or liabilities, and assets or liabilities related to employee benefit arrangements are recognised and measured in accordance with IAS 12 Income Taxes and IAS 19 Employee Benefits respectively;
- liabilities or equity instruments related to share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree or share-based payment arrangements of the Group entered into to replace share-based payment arrangements of the acquiree are measured in accordance with IFRS 2 at the acquisition date (see the accounting policy below);
- assets (or disposal groups) that are classified as held for sale in accordance with IFRS 5 Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations are measured in accordance with that standard; and
- lease liabilities are recognised and measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments (as defined in IFRS 16) as if the acquired leases were new leases at the acquisition date, except for leases for which (a) the lease term ends within 12 months of the acquisition date; or (b) the underlying asset is of low value. Right-of-use assets are recognised and measured at the same amount as the relevant lease liabilities, adjusted to reflect favourable or unfavourable terms of the lease when compared with market terms.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Business combinations or asset acquisitions (continued)

Business combinations (continued)

Goodwill is measured as the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree, and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree over the net amount of the identifiable assets acquired and the liabilities assumed as at acquisition date. If, after re-assessment, the net amount of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree and the fair value of the acquirer's previously held interest in the acquiree, the excess is recognised immediately in profit or loss as a bargain purchase gain.

When the consideration transferred by the Group in a business combination includes a contingent consideration arrangement, the contingent consideration is measured at its acquisition-date fair value and included as part of the consideration transferred in a business combination. Changes in the fair value of the contingent consideration that qualify as measurement period adjustments are adjusted retrospectively. Measurement period adjustments are adjustments that arise from additional information obtained during the "measurement period" (which cannot exceed one year from the acquisition date) about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date.

Changes in the Group's interests in existing subsidiaries

Changes in the Group's interests in subsidiaries that do not result in the Group losing control over the subsidiaries are accounted for as equity transactions. The carrying amounts of the Group's relevant components of equity and the non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiaries, including reattribution of relevant reserves between the Group and the non-controlling interests according to the Group's and the non-controlling interests' proportionate interests.

Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted, and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognised directly in equity and attributed to owners of the Company.

When the Group loses control of a subsidiary, the assets and liabilities of that subsidiary and non-controlling interests (if any) are derecognised. A gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss and is calculated as the difference between (i) the aggregate of the fair value of the consideration received and the fair value of any retained interest and (ii) the carrying amount of the assets (including goodwill), and liabilities of the subsidiary attributable to the owners of the Company. All amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that subsidiary are accounted for as if the Group had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities of the subsidiary (i.e. reclassified to profit or loss or transferred to another category of equity as specified/permitted by applicable IFRSs). The fair value of any investment retained in the former subsidiary at the date when control is lost is regarded as the fair value on initial recognition for subsequent accounting under IFRS 9 Financial Instruments or, when applicable, the cost on initial recognition of an investment in an associate.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Merger accounting for business combination involving businesses under common control

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements items of the combining businesses in which the common control combination occurs as if they had been combined from the date when the combining businesses first came under the control of the controlling party.

The net assets of the combining businesses are consolidated using the existing book values from the controlling party's perspective. No amount is recognised in respect of goodwill or bargain purchase gain at the time of common control combination.

The consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income includes the results of each of the combining businesses from the earliest date presented or since the date when the combining businesses first came under the common control, where this is a shorter period.

The comparative amounts in the consolidated financial statements are presented as if the businesses had been combined at the beginning of the previous reporting period or when they first came under common control, whichever is shorter.

Goodwill

Goodwill arising on an acquisition of a business is carried at cost as established at the date of acquisition of the business (see the accounting policy above) less accumulated impairment losses, if any.

For the purposes of impairment testing, goodwill is allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (or group of cash-generating units) that is expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, which represent the lowest level at which the goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes and not larger than an operating segment.

A cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment annually or more frequently when there is indication that the unit may be impaired. For goodwill arising on an acquisition in a reporting period, the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated is tested for impairment before the end of that reporting period. If the recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit (or group of cash-generating units).

On disposal of the relevant cash-generating unit or any of the cash-generating unit within the group of cash-generating units, the attributable amount of goodwill is included in the determination of the amount of profit or loss on disposal. When the Group disposes of an operation within the cash-generating unit (or a cash-generating unit within a group of cash-generating units), the amount of goodwill disposed of is measured on the basis of the relative values of the operation (or the cash-generating unit) disposed of and the portion of the cash-generating unit (or the group of cash-generating units) retained.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Goodwill (continued)

The Group's policy for goodwill arising on the acquisition of an associate is described below.

Investments in associates

An associate is an entity over which the Group has significant influence. Significant influence is the power to participate in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee but is not control or joint control over those policies.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in these consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting, except when the investment, or a portion thereof, is classified as held for sale, in which case it is or the portion so classified is accounted for in accordance with IFRS 5. Any retained portion of an investment in an associate that has not been classified as held for sale continues to be accounted for using the equity method. The financial statements of associates used for equity accounting purposes are prepared using uniform accounting policies as those of the Group for like transactions and events in similar circumstances. Appropriate adjustments have been made to conform the associate's accounting policies to those of the Group. Under the equity method, an investment in an associate is initially recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost and adjusted thereafter to recognise the Group's share of the profit or loss and other comprehensive income of the associate. Changes in net assets of the associate other than profit or loss and other comprehensive income are not accounted for unless such changes resulted in changes in ownership interest held by the Group. When the Group's share of losses of an associate exceeds the Group's interest in that associate (which includes any long-term interests that, in substance, form part of the Group's net investment in the associate), the Group discontinues recognising its share of further losses. Additional losses are recognised only to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the associate.

An investment in an associate is accounted for using the equity method from the date on which the investee becomes an associate. On acquisition of the investment in an associate, any excess of the cost of the investment over the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the investee is recognised as goodwill, which is included within the carrying amount of the investment. Any excess of the Group's share of the net fair value of the identifiable assets and liabilities over the cost of the investment, after reassessment, is recognised immediately in profit or loss in the period in which the investment is acquired.

The Group assesses whether there is an objective evidence that the interest in an associate may be impaired. When any objective evidence exists, the entire carrying amount of the investment (including goodwill) is tested for impairment in accordance with IAS 36 as a single asset by comparing its recoverable amount (higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal) with its carrying amount. Any impairment loss recognised is not allocated to any asset, including goodwill, that forms part of the carrying amount of the investment. Any reversal of that impairment loss is recognised in accordance with IAS 36 to the extent that the recoverable amount of the investment subsequently increases.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments in associates (continued)

When the Group ceases to have significant influence over an associate, it is accounted for as a disposal of the entire interest in the investee with a resulting gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss. When the Group retains an interest in the former associate and the retained interest is a financial asset within the scope of IFRS 9, the Group measures the retained interest at fair value at that date and the fair value is regarded as its fair value on initial recognition. The difference between the carrying amount of the associate and the fair value of any retained interest and any proceeds from disposing of the relevant interest in the associate is included in the determination of the gain or loss on disposal of the associate. In addition, the Group accounts for all amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income in relation to that associate on the same basis as would be required if that associate had directly disposed of the related assets or liabilities. Therefore, if a gain or loss previously recognised in other comprehensive income by that associate would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities, the Group reclassifies the gain or loss from equity to profit or loss (as a reclassification adjustment) upon disposal/partial disposal of the relevant associate.

When a group entity transacts with an associate of the Group, profits and losses resulting from the transactions with the associate are recognised in the consolidated financial statements only to the extent of interests in the associate that are not related to the Group.

Changes in the Group's interests in associates

The Group continues to use the equity method when an investment in an associate becomes an investment in a joint venture or an investment in a joint venture becomes an investment in an associate. There is no remeasurement to fair value upon such changes in ownership interests.

When the Group reduces its ownership interest in an associate but the Group continues to use the equity method, the Group reclassifies to profit or loss the proportion of the gain or loss that had previously been recognised in other comprehensive income relating to that reduction in ownership interest if that gain or loss would be reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal of the related assets or liabilities.

Acquisition of additional interests in associates

When the Group increases its ownership interest in an associate but the Group continues to use the equity method, goodwill is recognised at acquisition date if there is excess of the consideration paid over the share of carrying amount of net assets attributable to the additional interests in associates acquired. Any excess of share of carrying amount of net assets attributable to the additional interests in associates acquired over the consideration paid are recognised in the profit or loss in the period in which the additional interest are acquired.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Non-current assets held for sale

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 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.

When the Group is committed to a sale plan involving loss of control of a subsidiary, all of the assets and liabilities of that subsidiary are classified as held for sale when the criteria described above are met, regardless of whether the Group will retain a non-controlling interest in the relevant subsidiary after the sale.

When the Group is committed to a sale plan involving disposal of an investment, or a portion of an investment, in an associate or joint venture, the investment or the portion of the investment that will be disposed of is classified as held for sale when the criteria described above are met, and the Group discontinues the use of the equity method in relation to the portion that is classified as held for sale from the time when the investment (or a portion of the investment) is classified as held for sale.

Non-current assets (and disposal groups) classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of their previous carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell which continue to be measured in accordance with the accounting policies as set out in respective sections.

The subsequent accounting for the contingent consideration that do not qualify as measurement period adjustments depends on how the contingent consideration is classified. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not remeasured at subsequent reporting dates and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity. Contingent consideration that is classified as an asset or a liability is remeasured to fair value at subsequent reporting dates, with the corresponding gain or loss being recognised in profit or loss.

When a business combination is achieved in stages, the Group's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is remeasured to fair value at the acquisition date (i.e. the date when the Group obtains control), and the resulting gain or loss, if any, is recognised in profit or loss or other comprehensive income, as appropriate. Amounts arising from interests in the acquiree prior to the acquisition date that have previously been recognised in other comprehensive income and measured under IFRS 9 would be accounted for on the same basis as would be required if the Group had disposed directly of the previously held equity interest.

If the initial accounting for a business combination is incomplete by the end of the reporting period in which the combination occurs, the Group reports provisional amounts for the items for which the accounting is incomplete. Those provisional amounts are adjusted retrospectively during the measurement period (see above), and additional assets or liabilities are recognised, to reflect new information obtained about facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amounts recognised at that date.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers

The Group recognises revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied, i.e. when “control” of the goods or services underlying the particular performance obligation is transferred to the customer.

A performance obligation represents a good or service (or a bundle of goods or services) that is distinct or a series of distinct goods or services that are substantially the same.

Control is transferred over time and revenue is recognised over time by reference to the progress towards complete satisfaction of the relevant performance obligation if one of the following criteria is met:

- the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group’s performance as the Group performs;
- the Group’s performance creates or enhances an asset that the customer controls as the Group performs; or
- the Group’s performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Group and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date.

Otherwise, revenue is recognised at a point in time when the customer obtains control of the distinct good or service.

A contract asset represents the Group’s right to consideration in exchange for goods or services that the Group has transferred to a customer that is not yet unconditional. It is assessed for impairment in accordance with IFRS 9. In contrast, a receivable represents the Group’s unconditional right to consideration, i.e. only the passage of time is required before payment of that consideration is due.

A contract liability represents the Group’s obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the Group has received consideration (or an amount of consideration is due) from the customer.

A contract asset and a contract liability relating to the same contract are accounted for and presented on a net basis.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

Contracts with multiple performance obligations (including allocation of transaction price)

For contracts that contain more than one performance obligations (please specify), the Group allocates the transaction price to each performance obligation on a relative stand-alone selling price basis, except for the allocation of discounts and variable consideration.

The stand-alone selling price of the distinct good or service underlying each performance obligation is determined at contract inception. It represents the price at which the Group would sell a promised good or service separately to a customer. If a stand-alone selling price is not directly observable, the Group estimates it using appropriate techniques such that the transaction price ultimately allocated to any performance obligation reflects the amount of consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring the promised goods or services to the customer.

Over time revenue recognition: measurement of progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation

Output method

The progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation is measured based on output method, which is to recognise revenue on the basis of direct measurements of the value of the goods or services transferred to the customer to date relative to the remaining goods or services promised under the contract, that best depict the Group's performance in transferring control of goods or services.

As a practical expedient, if the Group has a right to consideration in an amount that corresponds directly with the value of the Group's performance completed to date, the Group recognises revenue in the amount to which the Group has the right to invoice.

Input method

The progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation is measured based on input method, which is to recognise revenue on the basis of the Group's efforts or inputs to the satisfaction of a performance obligation relative to the total expected inputs to the satisfaction of that performance obligation, that best depict the Group's performance in transferring control of goods or services.

(a) Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the point in time when control of the asset is transferred to the customer, generally on delivery of goods.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

Over time revenue recognition: measurement of progress towards complete satisfaction of a performance obligation (continued)

Input method (continued)

(a) Sale of goods (continued)

(i) Rights of return

For contracts which provide a customer with a right to return the goods within a specified period, the expected value method is used to estimate the goods that will not be returned because this method best predicts the amount of variable consideration to which the Group will be entitled. The requirements in IFRS 15 on constraining estimates of variable consideration are applied in order to determine the amount of variable consideration that can be included in the transaction price. For goods that are expected to be returned, instead of revenue, a refund liability is recognised. A right of return asset (and the corresponding adjustment to cost of sales) is also recognised for the right to recover products from a customer.

(ii) Sales rebates

Retrospective sales rebates may be provided to certain customers once the value of products purchased during the period exceeds a threshold specified in the contract. Rebates are offset against amounts payable by the customer. To estimate the variable consideration for the expected future rebates, the most likely amount method is used for contracts with a single-threshold and the expected value method for contracts with more than one threshold. The selected method that best predicts the amount of variable consideration is primarily driven by the thresholds contained in the contract. The requirements on constraining estimates of variable consideration are applied and a refund liability for the expected future rebates is recognised.

(b) Other income

Rental income is recognised on a time proportion basis over the lease terms. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as income in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method by applying the rate that exactly discounts the estimated future cash receipts over the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, when appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Dividend income is recognised when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established, it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the dividend will flow to the Group and the amount of the dividend can be measured reliably.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

Variable consideration

For contracts that contain variable consideration, the Group estimates the amount of consideration to which it will be entitled using (a) the expected value method or (b) the most likely amount, which better predicts the amount of consideration to which the Group will be entitled.

The estimated amount of variable consideration is included in the transaction price only to the extent that it is highly probable that such an inclusion will not result in a significant revenue reversal in the future when the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

At the end of each reporting period, the Group updates the estimated transaction price (including updating its assessment of whether an estimate of variable consideration is constrained) to represent faithfully the circumstances present at the end of the reporting period and the changes in circumstances during the reporting period.

Notwithstanding the above criteria, the Group shall recognise revenue for a sales-based or usage-based royalty promised in exchange for a licence of intellectual property only when (or as) the later of the following events occurs:

- the subsequent sale or usage occurs; and
- the performance obligation to which some or all of the sales-based or usage-based royalty has been allocated has been satisfied (or partially satisfied).

Refund liabilities

The Group recognises a refund liability if the Group expects to refund some or all of the consideration received from customers.

Sales with a right of return

For a sale of products with a right of return/exchange for dissimilar products, the Group recognises all of the following:

- (a) revenue for the transferred products in the amount of consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled (therefore, revenue would not be recognised for the products expected to be returned/exchanged);
- (b) a refund liability/contract liability; and
- (c) an asset (and corresponding adjustment to cost of sales) for its right to recover products from customers and are presented as right to returned goods asset.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue from contracts with customers (continued)

Existence of significant financing component

In determining the transaction price, the Group adjusts the promised amount of consideration for the effects of the time value of money if the timing of payments agreed (either explicitly or implicitly) provides the customer or the Group with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer. In those circumstances, the contract contains a significant financing component. A significant financing component may exist regardless of whether the promise of financing is explicitly stated in the contract or implied by the payment terms agreed to by the parties to the contract.

For contracts where the period between payment and transfer of the associated goods or services is less than one year, the Group applies the practical expedient of not adjusting the transaction price for any significant financing component.

Principal versus agent

When another party is involved in providing goods or services to a customer, the Group determines whether the nature of its promise is a performance obligation to provide the specified goods or services itself (i.e. the Group is a principal) or to arrange for those goods or services to be provided by the other party (i.e. the Group is an agent).

The Group is a principal if it controls the specified good or service before that good or service is transferred to a customer.

The Group is an agent if its performance obligation is to arrange for the provision of the specified good or service by another party. In this case, the Group does not control the specified good or service provided by another party before that good or service is transferred to the customer. When the Group acts as an agent, it recognises revenue in the amount of any fee or commission to which it expects to be entitled in exchange for arranging for the specified goods or services to be provided by the other party.

Contract costs

Incremental costs of obtaining a contract

Incremental costs of obtaining a contract are those costs that the Group incurs to obtain a contract with a customer that it would not have incurred if the contract had not been obtained.

The Group recognises such costs e.g. sales commissions as an asset if it expects to recover these costs. The asset so recognised is subsequently amortised to profit or loss on a systematic basis that is consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the assets relate.

The Group applies the practical expedient of expensing all incremental costs to obtain a contract if these costs would otherwise have been fully amortised to profit or loss within one year.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Costs to fulfil a contract

The Group incurs costs to fulfil a contract in its sales of household electrical appliances. The Group first assesses whether these costs qualify for recognition as an asset in terms of other relevant standards, failing which it recognises an asset for these costs only if they meet all of the following criteria:

- (a) the costs relate directly to a contract or to an anticipated contract that the Group can specifically identify;
- (b) the costs generate or enhance resources of the Group that will be used in satisfying (or in continuing to satisfy) performance obligations in the future; and
- (c) the costs are expected to be recovered.

The asset so recognised is subsequently amortised to profit or loss on a systematic basis that is consistent with the transfer to the customer of the goods or services to which the assets relate. The asset is subject to impairment review.

Leases

Definition of a lease

A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

For contracts entered into or modified on or after the date of initial application of IFRS 16 or arising from business combinations, the Group assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease based on the definition under IFRS 16 at inception, modification date or acquisition date, as appropriate. Such contract will not be reassessed unless the terms and conditions of the contract are subsequently changed.

The Group as lessee

Allocation of consideration to components of a contract

For a contract that contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components, including contract for acquisition of ownership interests of a property which includes both leasehold land and non-lease building components, unless such allocation cannot be made reliably.

The Group also applies practical expedient not to separate non-lease components from lease component, and instead account for the lease component and any associated non-lease components as a single lease component.

As a practical expedient, leases with similar characteristics are accounted on a portfolio basis when the Group reasonably expects that the effects on the consolidated financial statements would not differ materially from individual leases within the portfolio.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leases (continued)

The Group as lessee (continued)

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group applies the short-term lease recognition exemption to leases of land and buildings, machinery and equipment, motor vehicles and furniture, fixtures that have a lease term of 12 months or less from the commencement date and do not contain a purchase option. It also applies the recognition exemption for lease of low-value assets. Lease payments on short-term leases and leases of low-value assets are recognised as expense on a straight-line basis or another systematic basis over the lease term.

Right-of-use assets

The cost of right-of-use asset includes:

- the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability;
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received;
- any initial direct costs incurred by the Group; and
- an estimate of costs to be incurred by the Group in dismantling and removing the underlying assets, restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost, less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, and adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

Right-of-use assets in which the Group is reasonably certain to obtain ownership of the underlying leased assets at the end of the lease term are depreciated from commencement date to the end of the useful life. Otherwise, right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of its estimated useful life and the lease term.

When the Group obtains ownership of the underlying leased assets at the end of the lease term, upon exercising purchase options, the cost of the relevant right-of-use assets and the related accumulated depreciation and impairment loss are transferred to property, plant and equipment.

The Group presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property or inventory as a separate line item on the consolidated statement of financial position. Right-of-use assets that meet the definition of investment property and inventory are presented within "Investment properties".

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leases (continued)

The Group as lessee (continued)

Refundable rental deposits

Refundable rental deposits paid are accounted under IFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments and included in the cost of right-of-use assets.

Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of a lease, the Group recognises and measures the lease liability at the present value of lease payments that are unpaid at that date. In calculating the present value of lease payments, the Group uses the incremental borrowing rate at the lease commencement date if the interest rate implicit in the lease is not readily determinable.

The lease payments include:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments) less any lease incentives receivable;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable by the Group under residual value guarantees;
- the exercise price of a purchase option if the Group is reasonably certain to exercise the option; and
- payments of penalties for terminating a lease, if the lease term reflects the Group exercising an option to terminate the lease.

Variable lease payments that reflect changes in market rental rates are initially measured using the market rental rates as at the commencement date. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are not included in the measurement of lease liabilities and right-of-use assets, and are recognised as expense in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

After the commencement date, lease liabilities are adjusted by interest accretion and lease payments.

The Group remeasures lease liabilities (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use assets) whenever:

- the lease term has changed or there is a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the related lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the date of reassessment.
- the lease payments change due to changes in market rental rates following a market rent review/ expected payment under a guaranteed residual value, in which cases the related lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using the initial discount rate.

The Group presents lease liabilities as a separate line item on the consolidated statement of financial position.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leases (continued)

The Group as lessee (continued)

Lease modifications

Except for Covid-19-related rent concessions in which the Group applied the practical expedient, the Group accounts for a lease modification as a separate lease if:

- the modification increases the scope of the lease by adding the right to use one or more underlying assets; and
- the consideration for the leases increases by an amount commensurate with the stand-alone price for the increase in scope and any appropriate adjustments to that stand-alone price to reflect the circumstances of the particular contract.

For a lease modification that is not accounted for as a separate lease, the Group remeasures the lease liability, less any lease incentives receivable, based on the lease term of the modified lease by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

The Group accounts for the remeasurement of lease liabilities by making corresponding adjustments to the relevant right-of-use asset.

When the modified contract contains a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the modified contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

Changes in the basis for determining the future lease payments as a result of interest rate benchmark reform

For changes in the basis for determining the future lease payments as a result of interest rate benchmark reform, the Group applies the practical expedient to remeasure the lease liabilities by discounting the revised lease payments using the unchanged discount rate, unless the change in lease payments results from a change in floating interest rates. In that case, the Group uses the revised discount rate that reflects change in the interest rate and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use assets. A lease modification is required by interest rate benchmark reform if, and only if, both of these conditions are met:

- the modification is necessary as a direct consequence of interest rate benchmark reform; and
- the new basis for determining the lease payments is economically equivalent to the previous basis (i.e. the basis immediately preceding the modification).

If lease modifications are made in addition to those lease modifications required by interest rate benchmark reform, the Group applies the applicable requirements in IFRS 16 (see the accounting policy above) to account for all lease modifications made at the same time, including those required by interest rate benchmark reform.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leases (continued)

The Group as lessee (continued)

Covid-19-related rent concessions

In relation to rent concessions that occurred as a direct consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Group has elected to apply the practical expedient not to assess whether the change is a lease modification if all of the following conditions are met:

- the change in lease payments results in revised consideration for the lease that is substantially the same as, or less than, the consideration for the lease immediately preceding the change;
- any reduction in lease payments affects only payments originally due on or before 30 June 2022; and
- there is no substantive change to other terms and conditions of the lease.

A lessee applying the practical expedient accounts for changes in lease payments resulting from rent concessions the same way it would account for the changes applying IFRS 16 if the changes are not a lease modification. Forgiveness or waiver of lease payments are accounted for as variable lease payments. The related lease liabilities are adjusted to reflect the amounts forgiven or waived with a corresponding adjustment recognised in the profit or loss in the period in which the event occurs.

The Group as a lessor

Classification and measurement of leases

Leases for which the Group is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an underlying asset to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Amounts due from lessees under finance leases are recognised as receivables at commencement date at amounts equal to net investments in the leases, measured using the interest rate implicit in the respective leases. Initial direct costs (other than those incurred by manufacturer or dealer lessors) are included in the initial measurement of the net investments in the leases. Interest income is allocated to accounting periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the Group's net investment outstanding in respect of the leases.

Rental income from operating leases is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset, and such costs are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term except for investment properties measured under fair value model. Variable lease payments for operating leases that depend on an index or a rate are estimated and included in the total lease payments to be recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as income when they arise.

Interest and rental income which are derived from the Group's ordinary course of business are presented as revenue.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leases (continued)

The Group as a lessor (continued)

Allocation of consideration to components of a contract

When a contract includes both leases and non-lease components, the Group applies IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers to allocate consideration in a contract to lease and non-lease components. Non-lease components are separated from lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone selling prices.

Refundable rental deposits

Refundable rental deposits received are accounted for under IFRS 9 and initially measured at fair value. Adjustments to fair value at initial recognition are considered as additional lease payments from lessees.

Lease modification

The Group accounts for a modification to an operating lease as a new lease from the effective date of the modification, considering any prepaid or accrued lease payments relating to the original lease as part of the lease payments for the new lease.

For rent concession under which the Group legally releases the lessee from its obligation to make specifically identified lease payment, of which some of these lease payments are contractually due but not paid and some of them are not yet contractually due, the Group accounts for the portions which have been recognised as operating lease receivables (i.e. the lease payments which are contractually due but not paid) by applying the ECL and derecognition requirements under IFRS 9 and applies lease modification requirements for the forgiven lease payments that the Group has not recognised (i.e. the lease payments which are not yet contractually due) as at the effective date of modification.

Foreign currencies

In preparing the financial statements of each individual group entity, transactions in currencies other than the functional currency of that entity (foreign currencies) are recognised at the rates of exchanges prevailing on the dates of the transactions. At the end of the reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing on the date when the fair value was determined. When a fair value gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognised in profit or loss, any exchange component of that gain or loss is also recognised in profit or loss. When a fair value gain or loss on a non-monetary item is recognised in other comprehensive income, any exchange component of that gain or loss is also recognised in other comprehensive income. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Foreign currencies (continued)

Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items, and on the retranslation of monetary items, are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they arise, except for exchange differences on monetary items receivable from or payable to a foreign operation for which settlement is neither planned nor likely to occur (therefore forming part of the net investment in the foreign operation), which are recognised initially in other comprehensive income and reclassified from equity to profit or loss on disposal or partial disposal of the Group's interests in associates/joint ventures.

For the purposes of presenting the consolidated financial statements, the assets and liabilities of the Group's operations are translated into the presentation currency of the Group (i.e. Renminbi) using exchange rates prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Income and expenses items are translated at the average exchange rates for the period, unless exchange rates fluctuate significantly during that period, in which case the exchange rates at the date of transactions are used. Exchange differences arising, if any, are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity under the heading of exchange differences on translation of financial statements reserve (attributed to non-controlling interests as appropriate).

On the disposal of a foreign operation (that is, a disposal of the Group's entire interest in a foreign operation, or a disposal involving loss of control over a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation, or a partial disposal of an interest in a joint arrangement or an associate that includes a foreign operation of which the retained interest becomes a financial asset), all of the exchange differences accumulated in equity in respect of that operation attributable to the owners of the Company are reclassified to profit or loss.

In addition, in relation to a partial disposal of a subsidiary that does not result in the Group losing control over the subsidiary, the proportionate share of accumulated exchange differences are reattributed to non-controlling interests and are not recognised in profit or loss. For all other partial disposals (i.e. partial disposals of associates or joint arrangements that do not result in the Group losing significant influence or joint control), the proportionate share of the accumulated exchange differences is reclassified to profit or loss. Settlements of monetary items which formed part of net investment in foreign operations without changes in the Group's ownership interests is not considered as partial disposals.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments on identifiable assets acquired arising on an acquisition of a foreign operation are treated as assets and liabilities of that foreign operation and translated at the rate of exchange prevailing at the end of each reporting period. Exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of qualifying assets, which are assets that necessarily take a substantial period of time to get ready for their intended use or sale, are added to the cost of those assets until such time as the assets are substantially ready for their intended use or sale.

Any specific borrowing that remain outstanding after the related asset is ready for its intended use or sale is included in the general borrowing pool for calculation of capitalisation rate on general borrowings. Investment income earned on the temporary investment of specific borrowings pending their expenditure on qualifying assets is deducted from the borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation.

All other borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Government grants

Government grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and that the grants will be received.

Government grants are recognised in profit or loss on a systematic basis over the periods in which the Group recognises as expenses the related costs for which the grants are intended to compensate. Specifically, government grants whose primary condition is that the Group should purchase, construct or otherwise acquire non-current assets are recognised as deferred income in the consolidated statement of financial position and transferred to profit or loss on a systematic and rational basis over the useful lives of the related assets.

Government grants related to income that are receivable as compensation for expenses or losses already incurred or for the purpose of giving immediate financial support to the Group with no future related costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they become receivable. Such grants are presented under “other gains or losses”.

The benefit of a government loan at a below-market rate of interest is treated as a government grant, measured as the difference between proceeds received and the fair value of the loan based on prevailing market interest rates.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Employee benefits

Retirement benefit costs

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit plans are recognised as an expense when employees have rendered service entitling them to the contributions.

For defined benefit retirement benefit plans, the cost of providing benefits is determined using the projected unit credit method, with actuarial valuations being carried out at the end of each annual reporting period. In determining the present value of the Group's defined benefit obligations and the related current service cost and, where applicable, past service cost, the Group attributes benefit to periods of service under the plan's benefit formula. However, if an employee's service in later years will lead to a materially higher level of benefit than earlier years, the Group attributes the benefit on a straight-line basis from:

- (a) the date when service by the employee first leads to benefits under the plan (whether or not the benefits are conditional on further service) until
- (b) the date when further service by the employee will lead to no material amount of further benefits under the plan, other than from further salary increases.

Remeasurement, comprising actuarial gains and losses, the effect of the changes to the asset ceiling (if applicable) and the return on plan assets (excluding interest), is reflected immediately in the consolidated statement of financial position with a charge or credit recognised in other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. Remeasurement recognised in other comprehensive income is reflected immediately in retained earnings and will not be reclassified to profit or loss.

Past service cost is recognised in profit or loss in the period of a plan amendment or curtailment and a gain or loss on settlement is recognised when settlement occurs. When determining past service cost, or a gain or loss on settlement, an entity shall remeasure the net defined benefit liability or asset using the current fair value of plan assets and current actuarial assumptions, reflecting the benefits offered under the plan and the plan assets before and after the plan amendment, curtailment or settlement, without considering the effect of asset ceiling (i.e. the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan).

Net interest is calculated by applying the discount rate at the beginning of the period to the net defined benefit liability or asset. However, if the Group remeasures the net defined benefit liability or asset before plan amendment, curtailment or settlement, the Group determines net interest for the remainder of the annual reporting period after the plan amendment, curtailment or settlement using the benefits offered under the plan and the plan assets after the plan amendment, curtailment or settlement and the discount rate used to remeasure such net defined benefit liability or asset, taking into account any changes in the net defined benefit liability or asset during the period resulting from contributions or benefit payments.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Employee benefits (continued)

Retirement benefit costs (continued)

Defined benefit costs are categorised as follows:

- service cost (including current service cost, past service cost, as well as gains and losses on curtailments and settlements);
- net interest expense or income; and
- remeasurement.

The retirement benefit obligation recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position represents the actual deficit or surplus in the Group's defined benefit plans. Any surplus resulting from this calculation is limited to the present value of any economic benefits available in the form of refunds from the plans or reductions in future contributions to the plans.

Discretionary contributions made by employees or third parties reduce service cost upon payment of these contributions to the plan.

When the formal terms of the plans specify that there will be contributions from employees or third parties, the accounting depends on whether the contributions are linked to service, as follows:

- If the contributions are not linked to services (for example contributions are required to reduce a deficit arising from losses on plan assets or from actuarial losses), they are reflected in the remeasurement of the net defined benefit liability or asset.
- If contributions are linked to services, they reduce service costs. For the amount of contribution that is dependent on the number of years of service, the entity reduces service cost by attributing the contributions to periods of service using the attribution method required by IAS 19 paragraph 70 for the gross benefits. For the amount of contribution that is independent of the number of years of service, the entity reduces service cost in the period in which the related service is rendered.

Termination benefits

A liability for a termination benefit is recognised at the earlier of when the Group entity can no longer withdraw the offer of the termination benefit and when it recognises any related restructuring costs.

Short-term and other long-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits are recognised at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid as and when employees rendered the services. All short-term employee benefits are recognised as an expense unless another IFRS requires or permits the inclusion of the benefit in the cost of an asset.

A liability is recognised for benefits accruing to employees (such as wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave) after deducting any amount already paid.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Employee benefits (continued)

Short-term and other long-term employee benefits (continued)

Liabilities recognised in respect of other long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows expected to be made by the Group in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date. Any changes in the liabilities' carrying amounts resulting from service cost, interest and remeasurements are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that another IFRS requires or permits their inclusion in the cost of an asset.

Pension schemes

The employees of the Group's subsidiaries which operate in the PRC are required to participate in a central pension scheme (the "PRC Pension Scheme") operated by the local municipal government. These subsidiaries are required to contribute a certain percentage of their payroll costs to the PRC Pension Scheme. The contributions are charged to profit or loss as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the PRC Pension Scheme. Under the PRC Pension Scheme, no forfeited contributions will be used by the Group to reduce its existing level of contributions during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021.

Share-based payments

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions

Shares/Share options granted to employees

Equity-settled share-based payments to employees and others providing similar services are measured at the fair value of the equity instruments at the grant date.

The fair value of the equity-settled share-based payments determined at the grant date without taking into consideration all non-market vesting conditions is expensed on a straight-line basis over the vesting period, based on the Group's estimate of equity instruments that will eventually vest, with a corresponding increase in equity (share-based payments reserve). At the end of each reporting period, the Group revises its estimate of the number of equity instruments expected to vest based on assessment of all relevant non-market vesting conditions. The impact of the revision of the original estimates, if any, is recognised in profit or loss such that the cumulative expense reflects the revised estimate, with a corresponding adjustment to the share-based payments reserve. For shares/share options that vest immediately at the date of grant, the fair value of the shares/share options granted is expensed immediately to profit or loss.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Share-based payments (continued)

Equity-settled share-based payment transactions (continued)

Shares/Share options granted to employees (continued)

When share options are exercised, the amount previously recognised in share-based payments reserve will be transferred to capital reserve. When the share options are forfeited after the vesting date or are still not exercised at the expiry date, the amount previously recognised in share-based payments reserve will continue to be held in share-based payments reserve.

When shares granted are vested, the amount previously recognised in share-based payments reserve will continue to be held in share-based payments.

Taxation

Income tax expense represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit differs from profit/(loss) before tax because of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and items that are never taxable or deductible. The Group's liability for current tax is calculated using tax rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the consolidated financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences. Deferred tax assets are generally recognised for all deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which those deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such deferred tax assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the taxable profit nor the accounting profit. In addition, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for taxable temporary differences associated with investments in subsidiaries and associates, and interests in joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets arising from deductible temporary differences associated with such investments and interests are only recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be sufficient taxable profits against which to utilise the benefits of the temporary differences and they are expected to reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at the end of each reporting period and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

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

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Taxation (continued)

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Group expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for investment properties that are measured using the fair value model, the carrying amounts of such properties are presumed to be recovered entirely through sale, unless the presumption is rebutted. The presumption is rebutted when the investment property is depreciable and is held within a business model whose objective is to consume substantially all of the economic benefits embodied in the investment property over time, rather than through sale, except for freehold land, which is always presumed to be recovered entirely through sale.

For the purposes of measuring deferred tax for leasing transactions in which the Group recognises the right-of-use assets and the related lease liabilities, the Group first determines whether the tax deductions are attributable to the right-of-use assets or the lease liabilities.

For leasing transactions in which the tax deductions are attributable to the lease liabilities, the Group applies IAS 12 requirements to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities separately. Temporary differences on initial recognition of the relevant right-of-use assets and lease liabilities are not recognised due to application of the initial recognition exemption. Temporary differences arising from subsequent revision to the carrying amounts of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities, resulting from remeasurement of lease liabilities and lease modifications, that are not subject to initial recognition exemption are recognised on the date of remeasurement or modification.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied to the same taxable entity by the same taxation authority.

Current and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss, except when they relate to items that are recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity, in which case, the current and deferred tax are also recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively. Where current tax or deferred tax arises from the initial accounting for a business combination, the tax effect is included in the accounting for the business combination.

In assessing any uncertainty over income tax treatments, the Group considers whether it is probable that the relevant tax authority will accept the uncertain tax treatment used, or proposed to be used by individual group entities in their income tax filings. If it is probable, the current and deferred taxes are determined consistently with the tax treatment in the income tax filings. If it is not probable that the relevant taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the effect of each uncertainty is reflected by using either the most likely amount or the expected value.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are tangible assets that are held for use in the production or supply of goods or services, or for administrative purposes (other than freehold lands and construction in progress as described below). Property, plant and equipment are stated in the consolidated statement of financial position at cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Freehold lands are not depreciated and are measured at cost less subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Buildings in the course of construction for production, supply or administrative purposes are carried at cost, less any recognised impairment loss. Costs include any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management, including costs of testing whether the related assets is functioning properly and, for qualifying assets, borrowing costs capitalised in accordance with the Group's accounting policy. Sale proceeds of items that are produced while bringing an item of property, plant and equipment to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management (such as samples produced when testing whether the asset is functioning properly), and the related costs of producing those items are recognised in the profit or loss. The cost of those items are measured in accordance with the measurement requirements of IAS 2. Depreciation of these assets, on the same basis as other property assets, commences when the assets are ready for their intended use.

When the Group makes payments for ownership interests of properties which includes both leasehold land and building elements, the entire consideration is allocated between the leasehold land and the building elements in proportion to the relative fair values at initial recognition. To the extent the allocation of the relevant payments can be made reliably, interest in leasehold land is presented as "right-of-use assets" in the consolidated statement of financial position except for those that are classified and accounted for as investment properties under the fair value model. When the consideration cannot be allocated reliably between non-lease building element and undivided interest in the underlying leasehold land, the entire properties are classified as property, plant and equipment.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of assets other than freehold land and properties under construction less their residual values over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

The principal annual rates used for this purpose are as follows:

Freehold land	Not depreciated
Buildings	2% to 19%
Leasehold improvements	10% to 50%
Machinery and equipment	5% to 50%
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5% to 33%
Motor vehicles	9% to 35%

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Property, plant and equipment (continued)

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property, plant and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

Investment properties

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation.

Investment properties also include leased properties which are being recognised as right-of-use assets and subleased by the Group under operating leases.

Investment properties are initially measured at cost, including any directly attributable expenditure. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are stated at cost less subsequent accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost of investment properties over their estimated useful lives and after taking into account of their estimated residual value, using the straight-line method.

Construction costs incurred for investment properties under construction are capitalised as part of the carrying amount of the investment properties under construction.

An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from its disposal. A leased property which is recognised as a right-of-use asset is derecognised if the Group as intermediate lessor classifies the sublease as a finance lease. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired separately

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at costs less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses/revalued amounts, being their fair value at the date of the revaluation less subsequent accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. Amortisation for intangible assets with finite useful lives is recognised on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful life and amortisation method are reviewed at the end of each reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less any subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Intangible assets (continued)

Internally-generated intangible assets — research and development expenditure

Expenditure on research activities is recognised as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

An internally-generated intangible asset arising from development activities (or from the development phase of an internal project) is recognised if, and only if, all of the following have been demonstrated:

- the technical feasibility of completing the intangible asset so that it will be available for use or sale;
- the intention to complete the intangible asset and use or sell it;
- the ability to use or sell the intangible asset;
- how the intangible asset will generate probable future economic benefits;
- the availability of adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use or sell the intangible asset; and
- the ability to measure reliably the expenditure attributable to the intangible asset during its development.

The amount initially recognised for internally-generated intangible asset is the sum of the expenditure incurred from the date when the intangible asset first meets the recognition criteria listed above. Where no internally-generated intangible asset can be recognised, development expenditure is recognised in profit or loss in the period in which it is incurred.

Subsequent to initial recognition, internally-generated intangible assets are reported at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses (if any), on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately.

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are recognised separately from goodwill and are initially recognised at their fair value at the acquisition date (which is regarded as their cost).

Subsequent to initial recognition, intangible assets acquired in a business combination with finite useful lives are reported at costs less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses, on the same basis as intangible assets that are acquired separately. Intangible assets acquired in a business combination with indefinite useful lives are carried at cost less any subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

An intangible asset is derecognised on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains and losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset, are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Intangible assets (continued)

Intangible assets acquired in a business combination (continued)

The following useful lives are used in the calculation of amortisation as follows:

Proprietary technology	10 years
Patents and licences	40 years
Trademarks	Indefinite
Software & Others	not exceeding than 10 years

Proprietary technology

Accordance with the contractual agreements and the Company historical experience, proprietary technology with finite lives are stated at cost less any impairment losses and are amortised on the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives of 10 years.

Patents and licences

Accordance with the contractual agreements and the Company historical experience, purchase patents and licences with finite lives are stated at cost less any impairment losses and are amortised on the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives of 40 years.

Trademarks

The trademark has different legal life at different jurisdiction, and can renewable at minimal cost. The directors of the Company are of the opinion that the Group would renew the trademark continuously and has the ability to do so. Various studies including product life cycle studies, market, competitive and environmental trends, and brand extension opportunities have been performed by management of the Group, which supports that the trademark has no foreseeable limit to the period over which the trademarked products are expected to generate net cash flows for the Group.

As a result, the trademark is considered by the management of the Group as having an indefinite useful life because it is expected to contribute to net cash inflows indefinitely. The trademark will not be amortised until its useful life is determined to be finite. Instead it will be tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication that it may be impaired.

Software & Others

Accordance with the contractual agreements and the Company historical experience, Software & Others are amortised on a straight-line basis over an estimate useful life of not exceeding than 10 years. The useful of the software is estimated based on the expected usage of the software and its authorised periods for use.

Impairment on property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets other than goodwill

At the end of the reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, intangible assets with finite useful to determine whether there is any indication that these assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the relevant asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives and intangible assets not yet available for use are tested for impairment at least annually, and whenever there is an indication that they may be impaired.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment on property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets other than goodwill (continued)

The recoverable amount of property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets, and intangible assets are estimated individually. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount individually, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

In testing a cash-generating unit for impairment, corporate assets are allocated to the relevant cash-generating unit when a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be established, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be established. The recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units to which the corporate asset belongs, and is compared with the carrying amount of the relevant cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units.

Before the Group recognises an impairment loss for assets capitalised as contract costs under IFRS 15, the Group assesses and recognises any impairment loss on other assets related to the relevant contracts in accordance with applicable standards. Then, impairment loss, if any, for assets capitalised as contract costs is recognised to the extent the carrying amounts exceeds the remaining amount of consideration that the Group expects to receive in exchange for related goods or services less the costs which relate directly to providing those goods or services that have not been recognised as expenses. The assets capitalised as contract costs are then included in the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit to which they belong for the purpose of evaluating impairment of that cash-generating unit.

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset (or a cash-generating unit) for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or a cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. For corporate assets or portion of corporate assets which cannot be allocated on a reasonable and consistent basis to a cash-generating unit, the Group compares the carrying amount of a group of cash-generating units, including the carrying amounts of the corporate assets or portion of corporate assets allocated to that group of cash-generating units, with the recoverable amount of the group of cash-generating units. In allocating the impairment loss, the impairment loss is allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill (if applicable) and then to the other assets on a pro-rata basis based on the carrying amount of each asset in the unit or the group of cash-generating units. The carrying amount of an asset is not reduced below the highest of its fair value less costs of disposal (if measurable), its value in use (if determinable) and zero. The amount of the impairment loss that would otherwise have been allocated to the asset is allocated pro rata to the other assets of the unit or the group of cash-generating units. An impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount under another standard, in which case the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation decrease under that standard.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment on property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and intangible assets other than goodwill (continued)

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit or a group of cash-generating units) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the asset (or a cash-generating unit or a group of cash-generating units) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount under another standard, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase under that standard.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents presented on the consolidated statement of financial position include:

- (a) cash, which comprises of cash on hand and demand deposits, excluding bank balances that are subject to regulatory restrictions that result in such balances no longer meeting the definition of cash; and
- (b) cash equivalents, which comprises of short-term (generally with original maturity of three months or less), highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Cash equivalents are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investment or other purposes.

For the purposes of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents as defined above, net of outstanding bank overdrafts which are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the Group's cash management. Such overdrafts are presented as short-term borrowings in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Bank balances for which use by the Group is subject to third party contractual restrictions are included as part of cash unless the restrictions result in a bank balance no longer meeting the definition of cash. Contractual restrictions affecting use of bank balances are disclosed in note 27.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs of inventories are determined on a weighted average method. Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for inventories less all estimated costs of completion and costs necessary to make the sale. Costs necessary to make the sale include incremental costs directly attributable to the sale and non-incremental costs which the Group must incur to make the sale.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle that obligation, and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

The amount recognised as a provision is the best estimate of the consideration required to settle the present obligation at the end of the reporting period, taking into account the risks and uncertainties surrounding the obligation. When a provision is measured using the cash flows estimated to settle the present obligation, its carrying amount is the present value of those cash flows (where the effect of the time value of money is material).

When some or all of the economic benefits required to settle a provision are expected to be recovered from a third party, a receivable is recognised as an asset if it is virtually certain that reimbursement will be received and the amount of the receivable can be measured reliably.

Provisions for the expected cost of assurance-type warranty obligations under the relevant contracts with customers for sales of (please specify) are recognised at the date of sale of the relevant products, at the directors' best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the Group's obligation.

Contingent liabilities

A contingent liability is a present obligation arising from past events but is not recognised because it is not probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation or the amount of the obligation cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

Where the Group is jointly and severally liable for an obligation, the part of the obligation that is expected to be met by other parties is treated as a contingent liability and it is not recognised in the consolidated financial statements.

The Group assesses continually to determine whether an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits has become probable. If it becomes probable that an outflow of future economic benefits will be required for an item previously dealt with as a contingent liability, a provision is recognised in the consolidated financial statements in the reporting period in which the change in probability occurs, except in the extremely rare circumstances where no reliable estimate can be made.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when a group entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. All regular way purchases or sales of financial assets are recognised and derecognised on a trade date basis. Regular way purchases or sales are purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within the time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value except for trade receivables arising from contracts with customers which are initially measured in accordance with IFRS 15. Transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of financial assets and financial liabilities (other than financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”)) are added to or deducted from the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities, as appropriate, on initial recognition. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities at FVTPL are recognised immediately in profit or loss.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability and of allocating interest income and interest expense over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts and payments (including all fees and points paid or received that form an integral part of the effective interest rate, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life of the financial asset or financial liability, or, where appropriate, a shorter period, to the net carrying amount on initial recognition.

Financial assets

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets

Financial assets that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at amortised cost:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets that meet the following conditions are subsequently measured at FVTOCI:

- the financial asset is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both selling and collecting contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

All other financial assets are subsequently measured at FVTPL, except that at the date of initial application of IFRS 9/initial recognition of a financial asset the Group may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in fair value of an equity investment in other comprehensive income if that equity investment is neither held for trading nor contingent consideration recognised by an acquirer in a business combination to which IFRS 3 Business Combinations applies.

A financial asset is held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is a part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative that is not designated and effective as a hedging instrument.

In addition, the Group may irrevocably designate a financial asset that are required to be measured at the amortised cost or FVTOCI as measured at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch.

(i) Amortised cost and interest income

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method for financial assets measured subsequently at amortised cost and debt instruments/receivables subsequently measured at FVTOCI. Interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset, except for financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired. For financial assets that have subsequently become credit-impaired, interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset from the next reporting period. If the credit risk on the credit-impaired financial instrument improves so that the financial asset is no longer credit-impaired, interest income is recognised by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of the financial asset from the beginning of the reporting period following the determination that the asset is no longer credit-impaired.

(ii) Equity instruments designated as at FVTOCI

Investments in equity instruments at FVTOCI are subsequently measured at fair value with gains and losses arising from changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the FVTOCI reserve; and are not subject to impairment assessment. The cumulative gain or loss will not be reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the equity investments, and will be transferred to retained profits.

Dividends from these investments in equity instruments are recognised in profit or loss when the Group's right to receive the dividends is established, unless the dividends clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Dividends are included in the "Other gains or losses" line item in profit or loss.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Classification and subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

(iii) Financial assets measured at FVTPL

Financial assets that do not meet the criteria for being measured at amortised cost or FVTOCI or designated as FVTOCI are measured at FVTPL.

Financial assets measured at FVTPL are measured at fair value at the end of each reporting period, with any fair value gains or losses recognised in profit or loss. The net gain or loss recognised in profit or loss excludes any dividend or interest earned on the financial asset and is included in the “Other gains and losses” line item.

Impairment of financial assets

The Group performs impairment assessment under expected credit loss (“ECL”) model on financial assets (including trade and bills receivables, other receivables and contract assets), which are subject to impairment assessment under IFRS 9. The amount of ECL is updated at each reporting date to reflect changes in credit risk since initial recognition.

Lifetime ECL represents the ECL that will result from all possible default events over the expected life of the relevant instrument. In contrast, 12-month ECL (“12m ECL”) represents the portion of lifetime ECL that is expected to result from default events that are possible within 12 months after the reporting date. Assessments are done based on the Group’s historical credit loss experience, adjusted for factors that are specific to the debtors, general economic conditions and an assessment of both the current conditions at the reporting date as well as the forecast of future conditions.

The Group always recognises lifetime ECL for trade receivables and contract assets without significant financing component.

For all other instruments, the Group measures the loss allowance equal to 12m ECL, unless there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, in which case the Group recognises lifetime ECL. The assessment of whether lifetime ECL should be recognised is based on significant increases in the likelihood or risk of a default occurring since initial recognition.

(i) Significant increase in credit risk

In assessing whether the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group compares the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the reporting date with the risk of a default occurring on the financial instrument as at the date of initial recognition. In making this assessment, the Group considers both quantitative and qualitative information that is reasonable and supportable, including historical experience and forward-looking information that is available without undue cost or effort.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

(i) Significant increase in credit risk (continued)

In particular, the following information is taken into account when assessing whether credit risk has increased significantly:

- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the financial instrument's external (if available) or internal credit rating;
- significant deterioration in external market indicators of credit risk, e.g. a significant increase in the credit spread, the credit default swap prices for the debtor;
- existing or forecast adverse changes in business, financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations;
- an actual or expected significant deterioration in the operating results of the debtor;
- an actual or expected significant adverse change in the regulatory, economic, or technological environment of the debtor that results in a significant decrease in the debtor's ability to meet its debt obligations.

Irrespective of the outcome of the above assessment, the Group presumes that the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition when contractual payments are more than 30 days past due, unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information that demonstrates otherwise.

Despite the foregoing, the Group assumes that the credit risk on a debt instrument has not increased significantly since initial recognition if the debt instrument is determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date. A debt instrument is determined to have low credit risk if (i) it has a low risk of default, (ii) the borrower has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term and (iii) adverse changes in economic and business conditions in the longer term may, but will not necessarily, reduce the ability of the borrower to fulfil its contractual cash flow obligations. The Group considers a debt instrument to have low credit risk when it has an internal or external credit rating of "investment grade" as per globally understood definitions.

The Group regularly monitors the effectiveness of the criteria used to identify whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk and revises them as appropriate to ensure that the criteria are capable of identifying significant increase in credit risk before the amount becomes past due.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

(ii) Definition of default

For internal credit risk management, the Group considers an event of default occurs when information developed internally or obtained from external sources indicates that the debtor is unlikely to pay its creditors, including the Group, in full.

Irrespective of the above, the Group considers that default has occurred when a financial asset is more than 90 days past due unless the Group has reasonable and supportable information to demonstrate that a more lagging default criterion is more appropriate.

(iii) Credit-impaired financial assets

A financial asset is credit-impaired when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of that financial asset have occurred. Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes observable data about the following events:

- (a) significant financial difficulty of the issuer or the borrower;
- (b) a breach of contract, such as a default or past due event;
- (c) the lender(s) of the borrower, for economic or contractual reasons relating to the borrower's financial difficulty, having granted to the borrower a concession(s) that the lender(s) would not otherwise consider;
- (d) it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation;
- (e) the disappearance of an active market for that financial asset because of financial difficulties; or
- (f) the purchase or origination of a financial asset at a deep discount that reflects the incurred credit losses.

(iv) Write-off policy

The Group writes off a financial asset when there is information indicating that the counterparty is in severe financial difficulty and there is no realistic prospect of recovery, for example, when the counterparty has been placed under liquidation or has entered into bankruptcy proceedings. Financial assets written off may still be subject to enforcement activities under the Group's recovery procedures, taking into account legal advice where appropriate. A write-off constitutes a derecognition event. Any subsequent recoveries are recognised in profit or loss.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

(v) Measurement and recognition of ECL

The measurement of ECL is a function of the probability of default, loss given default (i.e. the magnitude of the loss if there is a default) and the exposure at default. The assessment of the probability of default and loss given default is based on historical data and forward-looking information. Estimation of ECL reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined with the respective risks of default occurring as the weights.

Generally, the ECL is the difference between all contractual cash flows that are due to the Group in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at the effective interest rate determined at initial recognition.

Lifetime ECL for trade and bills receivables, deposits and other receivables are considered on a collective basis taking into consideration past due information and relevant credit information such as forward looking macroeconomic information.

For collective assessment, the Group takes into consideration the following characteristics when formulating the grouping:

- Past-due status;
- Nature, size and industry of debtors; and
- External credit ratings where available.

The grouping is regularly reviewed by management to ensure the constituents of each group continue to share similar credit risk characteristics.

Interest income is calculated based on the gross carrying amount of the financial asset unless the financial asset is credit-impaired, in which case interest income is calculated based on amortised cost of the financial asset.

Except for investments in debt instruments that are measured at FVTOCI, financial guarantee contracts, the Group recognises an impairment gain or loss in profit or loss for all financial instruments by adjusting their carrying amount, with the exception of trade receivables, other receivables and contract assets where the corresponding adjustment is recognised through a loss allowance account. For investments in debt instruments that are measured at FVTOCI, the loss allowance is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the FVTOCI reserve without reducing the carrying amount of these debt instruments. Such amount represents the changes in the FVTOCI reserve in relation to accumulated loss allowance.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial assets (continued)

Derecognition of financial assets

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

On derecognition of a financial asset measured at amortised cost, the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the sum of the consideration received and receivable is recognised in profit or loss.

On derecognition of an investment in a debt instrument classified as at FVTOCI, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the FVTOCI reserve is reclassified to profit or loss.

On derecognition of an investment in equity instrument which the Group has elected on initial recognition to measure at FVTOCI, the cumulative gain or loss previously accumulated in the investments revaluation reserve is not reclassified to profit or loss, but is transferred to retained profits.

Financial liabilities and equity

Classification as debt or equity

Debt and equity instruments are classified as either financial liabilities or as equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument.

Equity instruments

An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of an entity after deducting all of its liabilities. Equity instruments issued by the Company are recognised at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs.

Perpetual instruments, which include no contractual obligation for the Group to deliver cash or other financial assets or the Group has the sole discretion to defer payment of distribution and redemption of principal amount indefinitely are classified as equity instruments.

Repurchase of the Company's own equity instruments is recognised and deducted directly in equity. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss on the purchase, sale, issue or cancellation of the Company's own equity instruments.

Financial liabilities

All financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method or at FVTPL.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial liabilities and equity (continued)

Financial liabilities at FVTPL

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liability is (i) contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination to which IFRS 3 applies, (ii) held for trading or (iii) it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial liability is held for trading if:

- it has been acquired principally for the purpose of repurchasing it in the near term; or
- on initial recognition it is part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that the Group manages together and has a recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking; or
- it is a derivative, except for a derivative that is a financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument.

A financial liability other than a financial liability held for trading or contingent consideration of an acquirer in a business combination may be designated as at FVTPL upon initial recognition if:

- such designation eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement or recognition inconsistency that would otherwise arise; or
- the financial liability forms part of a group of financial assets or financial liabilities or both, which is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis, in accordance with the Group's documented risk management or investment strategy, and information about the grouping is provided internally on that basis; or
- it forms part of a contract containing one or more embedded derivatives, and IFRS 9 permits the entire combined contract to be designated as at FVTPL.

For financial liabilities that are designated as at FVTPL, the amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that liability is recognised in other comprehensive income, unless the recognition of the effects of changes in the liability's credit risk in other comprehensive income would create or enlarge an accounting mismatch in profit or loss. For financial liabilities that contain embedded derivatives, such as convertible loan notes, the changes in fair value of the embedded derivatives are excluded in determining the amount to be presented in other comprehensive income. Changes in fair value attributable to a financial liability's credit risk that are recognised in other comprehensive income are not subsequently reclassified to profit or loss; instead, they are transferred to retained profits upon derecognition of the financial liability.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Financial liabilities and equity (continued)

Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost

Financial liabilities including borrowings, convertible bond, trade payables, other payables and lease liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost, using the effective interest method.

Convertible bond

The component parts of the convertible loan notes are classified separately as financial liability and equity in accordance with the substance of the contractual arrangements and the definitions of a financial liability and an equity instrument. A conversion option that will be settled by the exchange of a fixed amount of cash or another financial asset for a fixed number of the equity instruments is an equity instrument.

At the date of issue, the fair value of the liability component (including any embedded non-equity derivatives features) is estimated by measuring the fair value of similar liability that does not have an associated equity component.

A conversion option classified as equity is determined by deducting the amount of the liability component from the fair value of the compound instrument as a whole. This is recognised and included in equity, net of income tax effects, and is not subsequently remeasured. In addition, the conversion option classified as equity will remain in equity until the conversion option is exercised, in which case, the balance recognised in equity will be transferred to share premium. Where the conversion option remains unexercised at the maturity date of the convertible note, the balance recognised in equity will be transferred to retained profits. No gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss upon conversion or expiration of the conversion option.

Transaction costs that relate to the issue of the convertible loan notes are allocated to the liability and equity components in proportion to the allocation of the gross proceeds. Transaction costs relating to the equity component are charged directly to equity. Transaction costs relating to the liability component are included in the carrying amount of the liability portion and amortised over the period of the convertible loan notes using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

The Group derecognises financial liabilities when, and only when, the Group's obligations are discharged, cancelled or have expired. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability derecognised and the consideration paid and payable is recognised in profit or loss.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Changes in the basis for determining the contractual cash flows as a result of interest rate benchmark reform

For changes in the basis for determining the contractual cash flows of a financial asset or financial liability to which the amortised cost measurement applies as a result of interest rate benchmark reform, the Group applies the practical expedient to account for these changes by updating the effective interest rate, such change in effective interest rate normally has no significant effect on the carrying amount of the relevant financial asset or financial liability.

A change in the basis for determining the contractual cash flows is required by interest rate benchmark reform if and only if, both these conditions are met:

- the change is necessary as a direct consequence of interest rate benchmark reform; and
- the new basis for determining the contractual cash flows is economically equivalent to the previous basis (i.e. the basis immediately preceding the change).

For other changes made to a financial asset or financial liability in addition to changes to the basis for determining the contractual cash flows required by interest rate benchmark reform, the Group first applies the practical expedient to the changes required by interest rate benchmark reform by updating the effective interest rate. The Group then applies the applicable requirements in IFRS 9 on modification of a financial asset or a financial liability (see accounting policy above) to the additional changes to which the practical expedient does not apply.

Derivative financial instruments

Derivatives are initially recognised at fair value at the date when derivative contracts are entered into and are subsequently remeasured to their fair value at the end of the reporting period. The resulting gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss unless the derivative is designated and effective as a hedging instrument, in which event the timing of the recognition in profit or loss depends on the nature of the hedge relationship.

Embedded derivatives

Derivatives embedded in hybrid contracts that contain financial asset hosts within the scope of IFRS 9 are not separated. The entire hybrid contract is classified and subsequently measured in its entirety as either amortised cost or fair value as appropriate.

Derivatives embedded in non-derivative host contracts that are not financial assets within the scope of IFRS 9 are treated as separate derivatives when they meet the definition of a derivative, their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of the host contracts and the host contracts are not measured at FVTPL.

Generally, multiple embedded derivatives in a single instrument that are separated from the host contracts are treated as a single compound embedded derivative unless those derivatives relate to different risk exposures and are readily separable and independent of each other.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Offsetting a financial asset and a financial liability

A financial asset and a financial liability are offset and the net amount presented in the consolidated statement of financial position when, and only when, the Group currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts; and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Hedge accounting

The Group designates certain derivatives as hedging instruments for fair value hedges, cash flow hedges, or hedges of net investments in foreign operations.

At the inception of the hedging relationship the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk.

For the purpose of determining whether a forecast transaction (or a component thereof) is highly probable, the Group assumes that the interest rate benchmark on which the hedged cash flows (contractually or non-contractually specified) are based is not altered as a result of interest rate benchmark reform.

Assessment of hedging relationship and effectiveness

For hedge effectiveness assessment, the Group considers whether the hedging instrument is effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk, which is when the hedging relationships meet all of the following hedge effectiveness requirements:

- there is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument;
- the effect of credit risk does not dominate the value changes that result from that economic relationship; and
- the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is the same as that resulting from the quantity of the hedged item that the Group actually hedges and the quantity of the hedging instrument that the entity actually uses to hedge that quantity of hedged item.

If a hedging relationship ceases to meet the hedge effectiveness requirement relating to the hedge ratio but the risk management objective for that designated hedging relationship remains the same, the Group adjusts the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship (i.e. rebalances the hedge) so that it meets the qualifying criteria again.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Hedge accounting (continued)

Assessment of hedging relationship and effectiveness (continued)

For changes made to the hedged risk, hedged item or hedging instrument required by interest rate benchmark reform, the Group amends the formal designation of a hedging relationship to reflect the changes by the end of the reporting period during which the relevant changes were made. Such an amendment to the formal designation of the hedging relationship constitutes neither the discontinuation of the hedging relationship nor the designation of a new hedging relationship.

Fair value hedges

The fair value change on qualifying hedging instruments is recognised in profit or loss except when the hedging instrument hedges an equity instrument designated at FVTOCI in which case it is recognised in other comprehensive income.

The carrying amount of a hedged item not already measured at fair value is adjusted for the fair value change attributable to the hedged risk with a corresponding entry in profit or loss. For debt instruments measured at FVTOCI, the carrying amount is not adjusted as it is already at fair value, but the hedging gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss instead of other comprehensive income. When the hedged item is an equity instrument designated at FVTOCI, the hedging gain or loss remains in other comprehensive income to match that of the hedging instrument.

Where hedging gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss, they are recognised in the same line as the hedged item.

Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives and other qualifying hedging instruments that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of cash flow hedging reserve, limited to the cumulative change in fair value of the hedged item from inception of the hedge. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss, and is included in the 'other gains and losses' line item.

When a hedged item in a cash flow hedge is amended to reflect the changes that are required by the interest rate benchmark reform, the amount accumulated in the cash flow hedge reserve is deemed to be based on the alternative benchmark rate on which the hedged future cash flows are determined.

Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are reclassified to profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item affects profit or loss, in the same line as the recognised hedged item. However, when the hedged forecast transaction results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are removed from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the non-financial asset or non-financial liability. This transfer does not affect other comprehensive income. Furthermore, if the Group expects that some or all of the loss accumulated in the cash flow hedging reserve will not be recovered in the future, that amount is immediately reclassified to profit or loss.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Hedge accounting (continued)

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations are accounted for similarly to cash flow hedges. Any gain or loss on the hedging instrument relating to the effective portion of the hedge is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of cash flow hedges reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss, and is included in the “other gains or losses” line item.

Gains or losses on the hedging instrument relating to the effective portion of the hedge accumulated in the Exchange differences on translation reserve are reclassified to profit or loss on disposal of the foreign operation.

Discontinuation of hedge accounting

The Group discontinues hedge accounting prospectively only when the hedging relationship (or a part thereof) ceases to meet the qualifying criteria (after rebalancing, if applicable). This includes instances when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. Discontinuing hedge accounting can either affect a hedging relationship in its entirety or only a part of it (in which case hedge accounting continues for the remainder of the hedging relationship).

For fair value hedge of debt instruments at amortised cost or debt instruments at FVTOCI, the fair value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortised to profit or loss from that date. The amortisation is based on a recalculated effective interest rate at the date that amortisation begins. In the case of debt instruments at FVTOCI, amortisation applies in the same manner but to the extent of the cumulative hedging gain or loss previously recognised in profit or loss.

For cash flow hedge, any gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity at that time remains in equity and is recognised when the forecast transactions is ultimately recognised in profit or loss. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the gain or loss accumulated in equity is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Dividends

Final dividends are recognised as a liability when they are approved by the shareholders in a general meeting. Proposed final dividends are disclosed in the notes to consolidated financial statements.

2.3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Related parties

A party is considered to be related to the Group if:

- (a) the party is a person or a close member of that person's family and that person
 - (i) has control or joint control over the Group;
 - (ii) has significant influence over the Group; or
 - (iii) is a member of the key management personnel of the Group or of a parent of the Group;
- (b) the party is an entity where any of the following conditions applies:
 - (i) the entity and the Group are members of the same group;
 - (ii) one entity is an associate or joint venture of the other entity (or of a parent, subsidiary or fellow subsidiary of the other entity);
 - (iii) the entity and the Group are joint ventures of the same third party;
 - (iv) one entity is a joint venture of a third entity and the other entity is an associate of the third entity;
 - (v) the entity is a post-employment benefit plan for the benefit of employees of either the Group or an entity related to the Group;
 - (vi) the entity is controlled or jointly controlled by a person identified in (a);
 - (vii) a person identified in (a)(i) has significant influence over the entity or is a member of the key management personnel of the entity (or of a parent of the entity); and
 - (viii) the entity, or any member of a group of which it is a part, provides key management personnel services to the Group or to the parent of the Group.

Close family members of an individual are those family members who may be expected to influence, or be influenced by, that person in their dealings with the entity and include:

- (a) that person's children and spouse or domestic partner;
- (b) children of that person's spouse or domestic partner; and
- (c) dependants of the person or that person's spouse or domestic partner.

A related party transaction is a transfer of resources, services or obligations between reporting entity and a related party, regardless of whether a price is charged.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES

In the application of the Group's accounting policies, which are described in note 2.3, the directors of the Company are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an on-going basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised 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.

Critical judgements in applying accounting policies

The following are the critical judgements, apart from those involving estimations, that the directors of the Company have made in the process of applying the Group's accounting policies and that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements.

Revenue recognition from sales of goods at a point in time

Revenue is recognised over time when the Group's performance does not create an asset with an alternative use to the Group and the Group has an enforceable right to payment for performance completed to date. Significant judgement is required in determining whether the terms of the Group's contracts with customers in relation to products with no alternative use create an enforceable right to payment for the Group. The Group has considered the relevant local laws that apply to those relevant contracts and opinion from external legal counsel. Based on the assessment of the Group's management, the terms of the relevant sales contracts do not create an enforceable right to payment for the Group after taking into consideration indicators. Accordingly, the sales of products with no alternative use is considered to be performance obligation satisfied at a point in time when control of the asset is transferred to the customer, generally on delivery of goods.

Determining the method to estimate variable consideration and assessing the constraint for the sale of goods

Certain contracts for the sale of goods include a right of return that give rise to variable consideration. In estimating the variable consideration, the Group is required to use either the expected value method or the most likely amount method based on which method better predicts the amount of consideration to which it will be entitled.

The Group determined that the expected value method is the appropriate method to use in estimating the variable consideration for the sale of goods with rights of return, given the large number of customer contracts that have similar characteristics.

Before including any amount of variable consideration in the transaction price, the Group considers whether the amount of variable consideration is constrained. The Group determined that the estimates of variable consideration are not constrained based on its historical experience, business forecast and the current economic conditions. In addition, the uncertainty on the variable consideration will be resolved within a short time frame.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

Estimation uncertainty

The following are the key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the end of the reporting period that may have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

Deferred tax assets

Deferred tax assets as at 31 December 2022 were approximately RMB1,722 million (2021: RMB1,857 million (restated)), in relation to unused tax losses for certain operating subsidiaries has been recognised in the Group's consolidated statement of financial position. No deferred tax assets have been recognised on the tax losses for non-operating subsidiaries due to the unpredictability of future profit streams. The realisability of the deferred tax assets mainly depends on whether sufficient future profits or taxable temporary differences will be available in the future. In cases where the actual future taxable profits generated are less or more than expected, or change in facts and circumstances which result in revision of future taxable profits estimation, a material reversal or further recognition of deferred tax assets may arise, which would be recognised in profit or loss for the period in which such a reversal or further recognition takes place.

Fair value measurement of financial instruments

The fair value of the unlisted equity investments as at 31 December 2022 were approximately RMB5,836 million (2021: RMB4,831 million (restated)), are measured at fair value with fair value being determined based on significant unobservable inputs using valuation techniques. Judgement and estimation are required in establishing the relevant valuation techniques and the relevant inputs thereof. Changes in assumptions relating to these factors could result in material adjustments to the fair value of these instruments. See notes 20 and 44 for further disclosures.

Provision of ECL for trade receivables

Trade receivables with significant balances and credit-impaired are assessed for ECL individually. In addition, the Group uses provision matrix to calculate ECL for the trade receivables which are individually insignificant. The provision rates are based on days past due as groupings of various debtors that have similar loss patterns. The provision matrix is based on the Group's historical default rates taking into consideration forward-looking information that is reasonable and supportable available without undue costs or effort. At every reporting date, the historical observed default rates are reassessed and changes in the forward-looking information are considered. Due to greater financial uncertainty triggered by the Covid-19 pandemic, the Group has increased the expected loss rates in the current year as there is higher risk that a prolonged pandemic could led to increased credit default rates.

The provision of ECL is sensitive to changes in estimates. The information about the ECL and the Group's trade receivables are disclosed in note 25.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

Estimation uncertainty (continued)

Estimated impairment of property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and other intangible assets

Property, plant and equipment, right-of-use assets and other intangible assets are stated at costs less accumulated depreciation and impairment, if any. In determining whether an asset is impaired, the Group has to exercise judgement and make estimation, particularly in assessing: (1) whether an event has occurred or any indicators that may affect the asset value; (2) whether the carrying value of an asset can be supported by the recoverable amount, in the case of value in use, the net present value of future cash flows which are estimated based upon the continued use of the asset; and (3) the appropriate key assumptions to be applied in estimating the recoverable amounts including cash flow projections and an appropriate discount rate. When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset (including right-of-use assets), the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the assets belong. Changing the assumptions and estimates, including the discount rates or the growth rate in the cash flow projections, could materially affect the net present value used in the impairment test.

Useful lives of items of property, plant and equipment

Management determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation for the Group's property, plant and equipment. This estimate is based on the historical experience of the actual useful lives of items of property, plant and equipment of similar nature and functions. It could change significantly as a result of technical innovations and competitor actions in response to industry cycles. The depreciation charge will increase when the useful lives are less than the previously estimated useful lives, or management will write off or write down obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold. As at 31 December 2022, the carrying amount of the property, plant and equipment were approximately RMB31,857 million (2021: RMB26,982 million (restated)).

Estimated impairment of goodwill

Determining whether goodwill is impaired requires an estimation of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill has been allocated, which is the higher of the value in use or fair value less costs of disposal. The value in use calculation requires the Group to estimate the future cash flows expected to arise from the cash-generating unit (or a group of cash-generating units) and a suitable discount rate in order to calculate the present value. Where the actual future cash flows are less than expected, or change in facts and circumstances which results in downward revision of future cash flows, a material impairment loss may arise. No impairment losses were recognised during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021. As at 31 December 2022, the carrying amount of goodwill are approximately RMB23,644 million (2021: RMB21,827 million). Further details are given in note 17 to the consolidated financial statements.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES (continued)

Estimation uncertainty (continued)

Estimated impairment of interests in associates

Determining whether impairment loss should be recognised requires an estimation of the recoverable amount of the relevant associate which is the higher of value in use and fair value less costs of disposal. The value in use calculation requires the management of the Group to estimate the present value of the estimated cash flows expected to arise from dividends to be received from the associate and the proceeds from the ultimate disposal of the investment taking into account of factors, including discount rate, dividend payout rate etc. In cases where the actual cash flows are less or more than expected, or change in facts and circumstances which result in revision of future cash flows estimation, a material reversal or further recognition of impairment may arise, which would be recognised in profit or loss for the period in which such a reversal or further recognition takes place.

As at 31 December 2022, the net carrying amount of the investment in associates are approximately RMB24,528 million (2021: RMB23,201 million (restated)). Further details are given in note 19 to the consolidated financial statements.

Provision of inventories

Write-down of inventories to net realisable value is made based on the aging and estimated net realisable value of inventories. The assessment of the write-down amount involves management's judgements and estimates. Where the actual outcome or expectation in future is different from the original estimate, such differences will impact the carrying value of the inventories and the write-down charge/reversal in the period in which such estimate has been changed. As at 31 December 2022, the net carrying amounts of inventories (after impairment provision) were approximately RMB41,543 million (2021: RMB39,912 million (restated))

Product warranty provisions

Product warranty provisions are made with reference to the retail volume and the expected unit cost for warranties. The assessment of the provision amount involves management's judgements and estimates. Where the actual outcome or expectation in future is different from the original estimate, such differences will impact the carrying amount of the product warranty provisions and the provision amount charged/reversed in the period in which such estimate has been changed. As at 31 December 2022, the product warranty amounted to approximately RMB3,502 million (2021: RMB3,681 million). Further details are included in note 33 to consolidated financial statements.

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

Information reported to the directors, being the chief operating decision maker (“**CODM**”), for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance focuses on types of goods or services delivered or provided.

For segment reporting, these individual operating segments have been aggregated into a single reportable segment. For management purposes, the Group is organised into business units based on their products and services.

Specifically, the Group’s reportable segments under IFRS 8 are as follows:

(a) Smart Home Business in China

(i) Household Food Solutions

- the domestic refrigerator business segment manufactures and sells refrigerator within Mainland China (“**Refrigerators/Freezers**”);
- the domestic kitchen appliances business segment manufactures and sells kitchen appliances within Mainland China (“**Kitchen Appliances**”);

(ii) Household Air Solutions

- the domestic air conditioner business segment manufactures and sells air conditioner within Mainland China (“**Air-conditioners**”);

(iii) Household Clothing Solutions

- the domestic washing machines segments manufactures and sells washing machines within Mainland China (“**Laundry Appliances**”);

(iv) Household Water Solutions

- the domestic water appliances business segments manufactures and sells water appliances within Mainland China (“**Water Appliances**”);

(b) Smart Home Business in Overseas

- the overseas home appliances and smart home business segments manufacture and sells home appliances and smart home appliances worldwide other than Mainland China (“**Smart Home Business Overseas**”); and

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION

(c) Other Business

- the others comprise business less than quantitative thresholds (“**Other Business**”). Such Other Business includes, among other things, parts and components, small home appliances and distribution services. The parts and components business primarily involves procurement, manufacturing and sales of ancillary parts and components for home appliances, and manufacturing and sales of moulds. Small home appliances business primarily involves design, outsourced manufacturing and sales of various small home appliances of our brands, to supplement our smart home solutions business. Distribution services business primarily involves distribution of televisions, consumer electronic products and others for Haier Group and other third parties, leveraging the Group’s extensive sales network.
- (a) All assets are allocated to operating segments other than unallocated corporate assets (mainly comprising goodwill, interests in associates and cash and cash equivalents); and
- (b) All liabilities are allocated to operating segments other than unallocated corporate liabilities (mainly comprising of interests-bearing borrowings).

Inter-segment sales represent the goods and services provided between segments. Segment result has been derived after elimination of inter-segment cost changed between segments.

The following is an analysis of the Group’s revenue and results by reportable segments:

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

2022

	Smart Home Business in China							Total RMB'M
	Household Food Solutions	Household Air Solutions	Household Clothing Solutions	Household Water Solutions	Smart Home		Other Business RMB'M	
	Refrigerators/ Freezers RMB'M	Kitchen Appliances RMB'M	Air- conditioners RMB'M	Laundry Appliances RMB'M	Water Appliances RMB'M	Business Overseas RMB'M		
Segment revenue								
Segment revenue from external customers	39,010	3,114	28,384	27,076	13,542	124,704	7,655	243,485
Inter-segment revenue	4,172	650	5,560	4,538	313	720	76,587	92,540
Total	43,182	3,764	33,944	31,614	13,855	125,424	84,242	336,025
<i>Reconciliation:</i>								
Inter-segment eliminations								(92,540)
Total								243,485
Segments results	3,785	68	868	3,069	1,713	6,250	(911)	14,842
<i>Reconciliation:</i>								
Elimination of inter-segment results								45
								14,887
Corporate and other unallocated income and gains or losses								2,609
Corporate and other unallocated expenses								(293)
Finance costs								(995)
Share of profits and losses of associates								1,582
Profit before taxation								17,790

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

2021 (Restated)

	Smart Home Business in China								
	Household Food Solutions		Household Air Solutions	Household Clothing Solutions	Household Water Solutions	Smart Home Business		Other Business	Total
	Refrigerators/Freezers	Kitchen Appliances	Air-conditioners	Laundry Appliances	Water Appliances	Overseas	RMB'M		
RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	
Segment revenue									
Segment revenue from external customers	36,842	3,013	27,409	25,917	12,479	113,090	8,331	227,081	
Inter-segment revenue	4,888	482	4,780	4,742	222	635	83,377	99,126	
Total	41,730	3,495	32,189	30,659	12,701	113,725	91,708	326,207	
<i>Reconciliation:</i>									
Inter-segment eliminations								(99,126)	
Total								227,081	
Segments results	2,976	53	245	2,707	1,458	5,926	(205)	13,160	
<i>Reconciliation:</i>									
Elimination of inter-segment results								44	
								13,204	
Corporate and other unallocated income and gains or losses								1,819	
Corporate and other unallocated expenses								(260)	
Finance costs								(714)	
Share of profits and losses of associates								1,888	
Profit before taxation								15,937	

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

2022

	Smart Home Business in China							Total RMB'M
	Household Food Solutions	Household Air Solutions	Household Clothing Solutions	Household Water Solutions	Smart Home		Other Business RMB'M	
	Refrigerators/ Freezers RMB'M	Kitchen Appliances RMB'M	Air- conditioners RMB'M	Laundry Appliances RMB'M	Water Appliances RMB'M	Business Overseas RMB'M		
Segment assets	14,577	2,327	15,102	14,157	6,504	64,106	46,120	162,893
Reconciliation:								
Elimination of segment assets								(43,670)
Goodwill								23,644
Interests in associates								24,528
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI								5,852
Deferred tax assets								1,722
Financial assets measured at FVTPL								520
Financial assets measured at amortised cost								2,981
Derivative financial instruments								183
Pledged deposits								665
Other deposits with limited use								105
Cash and cash equivalents								53,369
Other receivables								3,051
Total assets								235,843
Segment liabilities	34,826	1,674	11,710	8,711	5,287	34,786	56,007	153,001
Reconciliation:								
Elimination of segment liabilities								(43,437)
Tax payable								1,703
Other payable								1,171
Derivative financial instruments								122
Interest-bearing borrowings								26,112
Deferred tax liabilities								2,359
Other non-current liabilities								98
Total liabilities								141,129

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

2021 (Restated)

	Smart Home Business in China								
	Household Food Solutions		Household Air Solutions	Household Clothing Solutions	Household Water Solutions	Smart Home Business		Other Business	Total
	Refrigerators/Freezers	Kitchen Appliances	Air-conditioners	Laundry Appliances	Water Appliances	Overseas			
RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	RMB'M	
Segment assets	17,849	2,548	17,958	20,920	8,407	57,368	51,127	176,177	
Reconciliation:									
Elimination of segment assets								(63,373)	
Goodwill								21,827	
Interests in associates								23,201	
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI								4,852	
Deferred tax assets								1,857	
Financial assets measured at FVTPL								2,786	
Financial assets measured at amortised cost								626	
Derivative financial instruments								80	
Pledged deposits								755	
Other deposits with limited use								145	
Cash and cash equivalents								45,198	
Other receivables								3,610	
Total assets								217,741	
Segment liabilities	42,593	2,371	15,600	11,249	7,866	33,822	59,750	173,251	
Reconciliation:									
Elimination of segment liabilities								(63,106)	
Tax payable								1,309	
Other payable								1,314	
Derivative financial instruments								80	
Financial liabilities at FVTPL								6	
Interest-bearing borrowings								21,043	
Deferred tax liabilities								2,122	
Convertible bond								335	
Other non-current liabilities								112	
Total liabilities								136,466	

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

2022

	Smart Home Business in China							Total RMB'M
	Household Food Solutions	Household Air Solutions	Household Clothing Solutions	Household Water Solutions	Smart Home		Other Business RMB'M	
	Refrigerators/ Freezers RMB'M	Kitchen Appliances RMB'M	Air- conditioners RMB'M	Laundry Appliances RMB'M	Water Appliances RMB'M	Business Overseas RMB'M		
Other segment information:								
Product warranty provisions	1,567	118	965	1,211	625	1,459	—	5,945
Provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories, net (Reversal of)/allowance for expected credit losses in respect of trade and bills receivable, net	269	49	226	155	80	324	42	1,145
Allowance for expected credit losses in respect of prepayments, deposits and other receivables and long term prepayments, net	(18)	15	275	—	(5)	104	48	419
(Gain)/loss on disposal of non-current assets, net	163	9	112	—	—	8	1	293
Depreciation and amortisation	(98)	—	11	—	1	25	(121)	(182)
	723	158	401	510	237	3,715	302	6,046

2021 (Restated)

	Smart Home Business in China							Total RMB'M
	Household Food Solutions	Household Air Solutions	Household Clothing Solutions	Household Water Solutions	Smart Home		Other Business RMB'M	
	Refrigerators/ Freezers RMB'M	Kitchen Appliances RMB'M	Air- conditioners RMB'M	Laundry Appliances RMB'M	Water Appliances RMB'M	Business Overseas RMB'M		
Other segment information:								
Product warranty provisions	1,422	109	889	1,075	620	1,365	—	5,480
Provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories, net	222	39	171	142	87	244	153	1,058
Allowance for expected credit loss in respect of trade and bills receivable, net	3	10	245	1	7	54	98	418
Allowance for/(reversal of) expected credit losses in respect of prepayments, deposits and other receivables and long term prepayments, net	204	9	22	50	44	103	(4)	428
(Gain)/loss on disposal of non-current assets, net	(109)	—	5	(1)	1	15	(1)	(90)
Depreciation and amortisation	572	139	400	448	244	3,019	240	5,062

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)**Geographical information****(a) Revenue from external customers**

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
		(Restated)
Mainland China	116,726	111,842
North America	76,630	70,277
Europe	23,031	19,737
South Asia	8,284	7,138
Australia and New Zealand	6,962	7,012
Southeast Asia	5,180	4,740
Japan	3,569	3,491
Middle East and Africa	1,970	1,479
Other countries/regions	1,133	1,365
	243,485	227,081

The revenue information above is based on the locations of the customers.

The revenue related to sales to overseas is subject to relevant tax at corresponding jurisdictions, if any.

(b) Non-current assets

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
		(Restated)
Mainland China	20,695	16,879
Other countries/regions	29,019	25,209
	49,714	42,088
Interests in associates	24,528	23,201
Goodwill	23,644	21,827
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	5,852	4,852
Deferred tax assets	1,722	1,857
	105,460	93,825

4. OPERATING SEGMENT INFORMATION (continued)

Geographical information (continued)

(b) Non-current assets (continued)

The non-current asset information above is based on the locations of the assets and excludes interests in associates, goodwill, equity investments designated at FVTOCI and deferred tax assets.

Information about major customers

No single customer of the Group contributed 10% or more to the total revenue of the Group during the years ended 2022 and 2021.

5. REVENUE, OTHER GAINS OR LOSSES

An analysis of revenue from contracts with customers is as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Sale of goods	243,209	226,742
Rendering of services	276	339
	243,485	227,081

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Sale of goods		
— Point in time	243,209	226,742
Rendering of service		
— Point in time	107	177
— Over time	169	162
	243,485	227,081

All revenue contracts are for a period of one year or less. As permitted under IFRS 15, the transaction price allocated to unsatisfied or partially satisfied contracts is not disclosed.

Information about the Group's performance obligations under IFRS 15 is summarised below:

5. REVENUE, OTHER GAINS OR LOSSES (continued)

Sale of goods

The performance obligation is satisfied upon delivery of goods and payment is generally due within 30 to 90 days from delivery, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. Some contracts provide customers with a right of return and volume rebates which give rise to variable consideration subject to constraint.

Rendering of services

The performance obligation is satisfied over time or at point in time as services are rendered or when the customer obtains control of the distinct services and payment is generally due within 30 to 90 days from customers. Service contracts are for periods of one year or less, or are billed based on the time incurred.

An analysis of other gains or losses is as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Treasury and investment income:		
Interest income from		
Bank	826	539
Wealth management products	93	60
Other	30	27
Purchase payment discounts	143	163
Dividend income from equity investment designated at FVTOCI	32	59
	1,124	848
Compensation received from suppliers	47	37
Gain on disposal of		
Non-current assets, net	182	90
Financial assets/liabilities measured at FVTPL, net	99	393
Subsidiaries	27	5
Government grants (Note (a))	1,070	959
Rental income from investment properties (Note (b))	29	25
Net fair value (loss)/gain on financial assets/liabilities measured at FVTPL	(122)	119
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)	371	(577)
Sundry income	85	160
	2,912	2,059

5. REVENUE, OTHER GAINS OR LOSSES (continued)

Rendering of services (continued)

Notes:

- (a) Various government grants have been received for investments in certain regions in Mainland China in which the Company's subsidiaries operate as well as for the Group's technology advancements. There are no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies relating to these grants.
- (b) The rental income from investment properties less direct outgoings for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 amounted to approximately RMB14 million and RMB12 million respectively.

6. PROFIT BEFORE TAX

Profit before tax has been arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cost of inventories sold	167,562	156,214
Provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories, net (Note (a))	1,145	1,058
Cost of services	212	256
	168,919	157,528
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	4,026	3,434
Depreciation of right-of-use assets and investment properties	928	761
Amortisation of other intangible assets	1,044	830
Amortisation of other non-current assets	48	37
	6,046	5,062
Employee benefit expense: (including directors', chief executive and supervisors' remuneration — Note 8):		
Salaries, bonuses, allowances and benefits in kind	25,948	23,802
Pension scheme contributions	1,664	1,597
Equity-settled share-based expense	912	262
	28,524	25,661

6. PROFIT BEFORE TAX (continued)

Profit before tax has been arrived at after charging/(crediting) (continued):

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Impairment of trade and bills receivables, net (Note (b))	419	418
Impairment of prepayments, deposits and other receivables and long term prepayments, net (Note (b))	293	428
Impairment of property, plant and equipment, interest in associates, other intangible assets and contract assets (Note (b))	74	34
	786	880
Research and development costs	9,499	8,364
Auditors' remuneration	13	14
Expenses relating to short-term leases and low value leases	194	200
Variable lease payments not included in the measurement of lease liabilities	163	361
Product warranty provisions	5,945	5,480
Net foreign exchange (gain)/loss	(371)	577
Gain on disposal/write-off of non-current assets, net	(182)	(90)

Notes:

- (a) The net provision for obsolete and slow-moving inventories for the year is included in "Cost of sales" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.
- (b) Included in "Administrative expenses" in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

7. FINANCE COSTS

An analysis of finance costs is as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Interest on borrowings	603	368
Interest on bond	—	7
Interest on convertible bond	6	50
Interest on lease liabilities	97	113
Other finance costs	289	176
	995	714

8. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' REMUNERATION

Directors', chief executive's and supervisors' remuneration for the year, disclosed pursuant to the Listing Rules, section 383(1)(a), (b), (c) and (f) of the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance and Part 2 of the Companies (Disclosure of Information about Benefits of Directors) Regulation, is as follows:

	2022 RMB'000	2021 RMB'000
Fees	2,182	1,689
Other emoluments:		
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	2,998	2,971
Discretionary bonuses	3,172	4,500
Equity-settled share-based expense (Note)	21,264	58,787
Pension scheme contributions	628	577
	28,062	66,835
	30,244	68,524

Note:

During the year, certain directors were granted share award/options, in respect of their services to the Group under the share award/option of the Company. Details of the share award/option are set out in director's report and note 37 to the consolidated financial statements.

8. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

(a) Independent non-executive directors

The remuneration of independent non-executive directors during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 is as follows:

2022

	Fees	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Discretionary bonuses	Equity-settled share-based expense	Pension scheme contributions	Total
	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
CHIEN Da-chun	306	—	—	—	—	306
WONG Hak Kun	306	—	—	—	—	306
LI Shipeng	306	—	—	—	—	306
WU Qi	306	—	—	—	—	306
	1,224	—	—	—	—	1,224

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	Notes	Fees	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	Discretionary bonuses	Equity-settled share-based expense	Pension scheme contributions	Total
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
DAI Deming	(i)	138	—	—	—	—	138
CHIEN Da-chun		225	—	—	—	—	225
WONG Hak Kun		225	—	—	—	—	225
LI Shipeng	(ii)	188	—	—	—	—	188
WU Qi	(iii)	87	—	—	—	—	87
		863	—	—	—	—	863

8. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

(b) Executive directors and the chief executive

The remuneration of executive directors and the chief executive during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

2022

	Notes	Fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind RMB'000	Discretionary bonuses RMB'000	Equity-settled share-based expense RMB'000	Pension scheme contributions RMB'000	Total RMB'000
LIANG Haishan	(iv)	—	484	287	4,648	68	5,487
LI Huagang (chief executive)	(v)	—	900	1,562	8,078	138	10,678
GONG Wei	(vi)	—	650	776	4,560	138	6,124
Xie Juzhi	(vii)	—	364	457	3,013	68	3,902
		—	2,398	3,082	20,299	412	26,191

2021

	Notes	Fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind RMB'000	Discretionary bonuses RMB'000	Equity-settled share-based expense RMB'000	Pension scheme contributions RMB'000	Total RMB'000
LIANG Haishan		—	967	1,628	35,150	127	37,872
LI Huagang		—	736	1,507	3,861	126	6,230
Xie Juzhi	(vii)	—	728	1,227	2,094	130	4,179
		—	2,431	4,362	41,105	383	48,281

8. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

(c) Non-executive directors

The remuneration of non-executive directors during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

2022

	Notes	Salaries, allowances and benefits		Discretionary bonuses	Equity-settled share-based expense	Pension scheme contributions	Total
		Fees	in kind				
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
SHAO Xinzhi	(viii)	—	—	—	—	—	—
WU Changqi		173	—	—	—	—	173
LIN Sui		173	—	—	—	—	173
YU Hon To, David		306	—	—	—	—	306
Eva LI Kam Fun		306	—	—	—	—	306
		958	—	—	—	—	958

2021

	Notes	Salaries, allowances and benefits		Discretionary bonuses	Equity-settled share-based expense	Pension scheme contributions	Total
		Fees	in kind				
		RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000	RMB'000
TAN Lixia	(ix)	—	—	—	16,107	—	16,107
WU Changqi		225	—	—	—	—	225
LIN Sui		225	—	—	—	—	225
YU Hon To, David	(x)	188	—	—	—	—	188
Eva LI Kam Fun	(xi)	188	—	—	—	—	188
		826	—	—	16,107	—	16,933

8. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

(d) Supervisors

The remuneration of supervisors during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

2022

	Fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind RMB'000	Discretionary bonuses RMB'000	Equity-settled share-based expense RMB'000	Pension scheme contributions RMB'000	Total RMB'000
YU Miao	—	350	13	125	98	586
LIU Dalin	—	—	—	680	—	680
MA Yingjie	—	250	77	160	118	605
	—	600	90	965	216	1,871

2021

	Notes	Fees RMB'000	Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind RMB'000	Discretionary bonuses RMB'000	Equity-settled share-based expense RMB'000	Pension scheme contributions RMB'000	Total RMB'000
WANG Peihua	(xii)	—	—	—	694	—	694
MING Guoqing	(xiii)	—	—	—	453	—	453
YU Miao		—	290	46	45	85	466
LIU Dalin	(xiv)	—	—	—	228	—	228
MA Yingjie	(xv)	—	250	92	155	109	606
		—	540	138	1,575	194	2,447

8. DIRECTORS', CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S AND SUPERVISORS' REMUNERATION (continued)

(d) Supervisors (continued)

Notes:

- (i) DAI Deming resigned on 25 June 2021.
- (ii) LI Shipeng appointed on 5 March 2021.
- (iii) WU Qi appointed on 25 June 2021.
- (iv) LIANG Haishan resigned on 28 June 2022.
- (v) LI Huagang appointed as chief executive on 28 June 2022.
- (vi) GONG Wei appointed on 28 June 2022.
- (vii) XIE Juzhi appointed on 5 March 2021 and resigned on 28 June 2022.
- (viii) SHAO Xinzhi appointed on 28 June 2022.
- (ix) TAN Lixia resigned on 31 March 2021.
- (x) YU Hon To, David appointed on 5 March 2021.
- (xi) Eva LI Kam Fun appointed on 5 March 2021.
- (xii) WANG Peihua resigned on 25 June 2021.
- (xiii) MING Guoqing resigned on 25 June 2021.
- (xiv) LIU Dalin appointed on 25 June 2021.
- (xv) MA Yingjie appointed on 25 June 2021.

There was no arrangement under which a director or the chief executive waived or agreed to waive any remuneration during the year.

9. FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

The five highest paid employees during the year included one director, which is the chief executive (2021: two directors and one of which is the chief executive), details of whose remuneration are set out in note 8 above. Details of the remuneration for the year of the remaining four (2021: three) highest paid non-director employees who are neither a director nor chief executive of the Company are as follows:

	2022 RMB'000	2021 RMB'000
Salaries, allowances and benefits in kind	17,262	14,840
Discretionary bonuses	1,083	1,096
Equity-settled share-based expense	24,978	9,351
Pension scheme contributions	549	380
	43,872	25,667

The number of non-director and non-chief executive highest paid employees whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

	Number of employees	
	2022	2021
HK\$6,500,001 to HK\$7,000,000	—	2
HK\$7,500,001 to HK\$8,000,000	1	—
HK\$9,000,001 to HK\$9,500,000	1	—
HK\$15,000,001 to HK\$15,500,000	1	—
HK\$17,500,001 to HK\$18,000,000	—	1
HK\$18,000,001 to HK\$18,500,000	1	—
Total	4	3

For share award/option were granted to these non-director and non-chief executive highest paid employees in respect of their services to the Group under the share award/option scheme of the Group. The fair values of share award/option, which have been recognised in the statement of profit or loss over the vesting period, were determined as at the date of grant and the amounts included in the consolidated financial statements for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are included in the above non-director and non-chief executive highest paid employees' remuneration disclosures.

10. INCOME TAX EXPENSES

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Current tax		
Charge for the year	2,752	2,508
Deferred tax (Note 35)	306	197
Total tax charge for the year	3,058	2,705

Under the Law of the Mainland China on Enterprise Income Tax (the “EIT Law”) and Implementation Regulation of the EIT Law, the tax rate of the Mainland China subsidiaries is 25%. Certain subsidiaries of the Group in the Mainland of China were approved as High and New Technology Enterprise subject to a preferential corporate income tax rate of 15% during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021.

Overseas tax is calculated on the estimated assessable profits for the year at the rates of taxation prevailing in the respective jurisdictions.

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax at the statutory rates for the jurisdictions in which the Company and the majority of its subsidiaries are domiciled to the tax expense at the effective tax rates is as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Profit before tax	17,790	15,937
Tax at the statutory tax rate	4,447	3,984
Lower tax rates enacted by local authorities	(832)	(495)
Adjustments in respect of current tax of previous periods	(215)	(180)
Tax effect of share of profits or losses to associates	(308)	(376)
Tax effect of income not taxable for tax purpose	(185)	(158)
Tax effect of expenses not deductible for tax purpose	199	271
Tax effect of temporary differences not recognised	226	(166)
Other amounts	(274)	(175)
Total tax charge for the year	3,058	2,705

11. DIVIDENDS

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Proposed final dividend	5,298	4,320
Dividend paid during the year	4,297	3,411
	2022	2021
	RMB	RMB
Dividend proposed per share*	0.566	0.46

* The amount represents RMB5.66 for every 10 shares in 2022 (2021: RMB4.6 for every 10 shares). With regards to the payment of final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2021, as the total share capital of the Company changed before the registration date on 18 July 2022 and the Company maintained the total distribution of RMB4,320 million (tax inclusive) unchanged, the Company adjusted the distribution ratio per share from RMB4.60 (tax inclusive) per 10 shares to RMB4.61357 (tax inclusive) per 10 shares accordingly.

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The calculation of the basic earnings per share amount is based on the profit for year attributable to Owners of the Company, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year, as adjusted to exclude the repurchased share.

The calculation of the diluted earnings per share amount is based on the profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company, adjusted to reflect the interest and effect of the convertible bond. The weighted average number of ordinary shares used in the calculation is the number of ordinary shares in issue during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021, as used in the basic earnings per share calculation, and the weighted average number of ordinary shares assumed to have been issued at no consideration on the deemed exercise or conversion of all dilutive potential ordinary shares into ordinary shares.

The calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share are based on:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Earnings		
Profit for the year attributable to owners of the Company used in the basic earnings per share calculation	14,711	13,079
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:		
Interest on convertible bond, net of tax	6	50
Earnings for the purpose of diluted earnings per share	14,717	13,129

12. EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE COMPANY (continued)

The calculations of basic and diluted earnings per share are based on:

	2022	2021
Number of shares		
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purpose of calculating basic earnings per share	9,316,804,514	9,275,992,161
Effect of dilutive potential ordinary shares:		
Convertible bond	12,499,928	107,788,092
Share award	44,188,061	14,253,946
Share options	1,513,588	966,956
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year used in the diluted earnings per share calculation	9,375,006,091	9,399,001,155

Note:

The weighted average number of ordinary shares as above are adjusted by the number of shares that would have been issued assuming the conversion of convertible bond, share award and share options.

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

- (a) During the year, in addition to the transactions detailed elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements, the Group had the following material transactions with the Group's related parties (and their affiliates):

Relationship	Nature of transactions	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Associates	Sale of goods and services	1,889	1,631
	Purchase of goods and services	16,766	19,107
	Interest income	570	340
	Interest expenses	5	8
Haier Affiliates (Note (i))	Sale of goods and services	1,615	1,707
	Purchase of goods and services	21,123	20,870
	Other service fee expenses	97	113

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)**(a) (continued)**

The above transactions were conducted in accordance with the terms and conditions mutually agreed by the parties involved.

Note:

(i) Haier Affiliates include Haier Group's associates and subsidiaries and its respective associates.

(b) Compensation of key management personnel (including the directors, chief executive and supervisors of the Company) of the Group.

	2022	2021
	RMB'000	RMB'000
Short term employee benefits	19,545	18,089
Post-employment benefits	1,750	1,441
Share-based payment	61,020	79,336
Total compensation paid to key management personnel	82,315	98,866

Further details of directors' and chief executive's emoluments are included in note 8 to consolidated financial statements.

The number of non-director and non-chief executive key management personnel whose remuneration fell within the following bands is as follows:

	Number of key management personnel	
	2022	2021
Number of individuals within the band of		
HK\$1,000,001 – HK\$1,500,000	1	—
HK\$2,000,001 – HK\$2,500,000	1	—
HK\$2,500,001 – HK\$3,000,000	—	1
HK\$3,000,001 – HK\$3,500,000	—	2
HK\$3,500,001 – HK\$4,000,000	1	1
HK\$4,500,001 – HK\$5,000,000	1	1
HK\$5,000,001 – HK\$5,500,000	—	1
HK\$5,500,001 – HK\$6,000,000	1	—
HK\$6,000,001 – HK\$6,500,000	1	—
HK\$6,500,001 – HK\$7,000,000	3	2
HK\$7,500,001 – HK\$8,000,000	1	—
HK\$8,000,001 – HK\$8,500,000	1	—
Total	11	8

13. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(c) The Group had the following balances with its related parties as at 31 December 2022 and 2021:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Balance due from related parties:		
<i>Trade related</i>		
— Associates	1,314	872
— Haier Affiliates	1,321	1,016
	2,635	1,888
Balance due to related parties:		
<i>Trade related</i>		
— Associates	1,557	1,546
— Haier Affiliates	4,674	5,448
	6,231	6,994

(d) Guarantee

The Group's loans are guaranteed by:

- (i) Haier Group, the controlling shareholder of the Company provide a guarantee over the loan with outstanding amount of approximately RMB60 million as at 31 December 2022 (2021: RMB305 million); and
- (e) For the transactions constituting connected transactions under Listing Rules, please refer to "Connected Transactions" under "Report of the Directors".

14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Land and buildings RMB'M	Leasehold improvement RMB'M	Machinery and equipment RMB'M	Motor vehicles RMB'M	Furniture fixture and equipments RMB'M	Construction in progress RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Cost:							
As at 1 January 2021	9,751	564	23,663	151	2,389	3,611	40,129
Additions	91	377	1,006	5	115	5,014	6,608
Disposal of subsidiaries	—	—	(7)	—	—	—	(7)
Disposals/write-off	(56)	(13)	(872)	(12)	(200)	—	(1,153)
Transfer from construction in progress	1,413	—	2,382	18	456	(4,269)	—
Exchange realignment	(257)	(4)	(375)	(1)	(143)	(172)	(952)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	10,942	924	25,797	161	2,617	4,184	44,625
Additions	102	469	1,188	2	146	6,026	7,933
Acquisition of subsidiaries	1	—	1	—	1	—	3
Disposal of subsidiaries	—	—	—	(1)	—	—	(1)
Disposals/write-off	(46)	(3)	(629)	(9)	(170)	—	(857)
Transfer from construction in progress	2,891	—	2,743	21	589	(6,244)	—
Exchange realignment	336	6	1,447	1	180	129	2,099
As at 31 December 2022	14,226	1,396	30,547	175	3,363	4,095	53,802
Accumulated depreciation and impairment:							
As at 1 January 2021	3,136	222	10,895	81	945	1	15,280
Depreciation provided for the year	493	221	2,309	19	392	—	3,434
Eliminated on disposal of subsidiaries	—	—	(6)	—	—	—	(6)
Disposals/write-off	(26)	(13)	(648)	(10)	(148)	—	(845)
Impairment provided for the year	—	—	4	—	—	—	4
Exchange realignment	(62)	(3)	(80)	—	(79)	—	(224)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	3,541	427	12,474	90	1,110	1	17,643
Depreciation provided for the year	543	363	2,588	20	512	—	4,026
Disposal of subsidiaries	—	—	—	(1)	—	—	(1)
Disposals/write-off	(23)	(3)	(493)	(9)	(87)	—	(615)
Impairment provided for the year	—	—	2	—	1	—	3
Exchange realignment	95	3	704	1	86	—	889
As at 31 December 2022	4,156	790	15,275	101	1,622	1	21,945
Carrying amounts							
As at 31 December 2022	10,070	606	15,272	74	1,741	4,094	31,857
As at 31 December 2021 (Restated)	7,401	497	13,323	71	1,507	4,183	26,982

14. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

At 31 December 2022, the Group was still in the process of obtaining ownership certificates for certain land and buildings it owns, the net book value of which was RMB2,037 million (2021: RMB274 million). At the same date, certain of these land and buildings with net book value of RMB1,884 million had been put into use as, in the opinion of the directors, the Group can legally occupy and operate these properties while the related ownership certificates are being processed.

15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES

	RMB'M
Cost:	
As at 1 January 2021	49
Disposals	(12)
Exchange realignment	(1)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	36
Exchange realignment	3
As at 31 December 2022	39
Accumulated depreciation:	
As at 1 January 2021	21
Depreciation provided for the year	1
Disposals	(11)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	11
Depreciation provided for the year	1
Exchange realignment	1
As at 31 December 2022	13
Carrying amounts	
As at 31 December 2022	26
As at 31 December 2021	25

The Group's investment properties consist of one commercial property in Hong Kong and two industrial properties in Mainland China as at 31 December 2022 (2021: one commercial property in Hong Kong and two industrial properties in Mainland China).

15. INVESTMENT PROPERTIES (continued)

The fair value of the Group's investment properties as at 31 December 2022 has been arrived at on the basis of a valuation carried out on the respective dates by Shanghai Orient Appraisal Co. Ltd., independent qualified professional valuers not connected to the Group.

The valuation technique is the income approach and the significant inputs used in the fair value measurement are the estimated rental value, rent growth and discount rate for investment properties in Hong Kong.

The fair value of the industrial properties in Mainland China was determined based on the income approach, where the market rentals of all lettable units of the properties are assessed and discounted at the market yield expected by investors for this type of properties. The market rentals are assessed by reference to the rentals achieved in the lettable units of the properties as well as other lettings of similar properties in the neighbourhood. The discount rate is determined by reference to the yields derived from analysing the sales transactions of similar commercial properties in Mainland China and adjusted to take into account the market expectation from property investors to reflect factors specific to the Group's investment properties. There has been no change from the valuation technique used in the prior year.

Details of the Group's investment properties and information about the fair value hierarchy as at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Carrying amount RMB'M	Fair value at Level 3 hierarchy RMB'M	Carrying amount RMB'M	Fair value at Level 3 hierarchy RMB'M
Investment properties in Hong Kong	17	19	16	26
Investment properties outside Hong Kong	9	29	9	28

The above investment properties are depreciated on a straight-line basis at the following rates per annum:

Investment property 1.9% to 5.0%

16. LEASES

The Group as a leasee

The Group has lease contracts for various items of land use rights, buildings, machinery and equipment, furniture, fixtures and equipment and motor vehicles used in its operations. Lump sum payments were made upfront to acquire the leased land from the owners with lease periods of 50 years, and no ongoing payments will be made under the terms of these land leases. Leases of buildings and plant and machinery generally have lease terms between one and ten years, while machinery and equipment, furniture, fixtures and equipment and motor vehicles generally have lease terms of twelve months or less and/or are individually of low value.

(a) Right-of-use assets

The carrying amounts of the Group's right-of-use assets and the movements during the year are as follows:

	Prepaid land lease payments RMB'M	Land and building RMB'M	Machinery and equipment RMB'M	Motor vehicles RMB'M	Furniture, fixtures and equipment RMB'M	Total RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	1,061	2,478	27	105	230	3,901
Additions	111	592	6	58	96	863
Disposals	(38)	(63)	—	—	—	(101)
Depreciation provided for the year	(76)	(533)	(13)	(53)	(85)	(760)
Exchange realignment	(6)	(96)	4	(9)	(10)	(117)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	1,052	2,378	24	101	231	3,786
Additions	350	1,644	7	44	158	2,203
Disposals	—	(43)	—	(2)	—	(45)
Depreciation provided for the year	(32)	(723)	(7)	(63)	(102)	(927)
Exchange realignment	1	134	(6)	8	12	149
As at 31 December 2022	1,371	3,390	18	88	299	5,166

16. LEASES (continued)**The Group as a lease (continued)****(b) Lease liabilities**

The carrying amount of lease liabilities and the movements during the year are as follows:

	RMB'M (Restated)
Carrying amount as at 1 January 2021	2,744
New leases	752
Interest expenses recognised during the year	113
Payments	(770)
Early Termination	(88)
Exchange realignment	(102)
Carrying amount as at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	2,649
New leases	1,853
Interest expenses recognised during the year	97
Payments	(959)
Disposal of subsidiaries	(1)
Early Termination	(77)
Exchange realignment	165
Carrying amount as at 31 December 2022	3,727
Analysed into:	
As at 31 December 2022	
Current portion	903
Non-current portion	2,824
	3,727
As at 31 December 2021 (Restated)	
Current portion	688
Non-current portion	1,961
	2,649

The maturity analysis of lease liabilities is disclosed in note 45 to consolidated financial statements.

16. LEASES (continued)**The Group as a lease (continued)**

(c) The amounts recognised in profit or loss in relation to leases are as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Interest on lease liabilities	97	113
Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets	895	684
Expense relating to:		
Short- term leases	182	190
Lease of low value assets	12	10
Variable lease payments not included in the measurement of lease liabilities	163	361
Total amount recognised in profit or loss	1,349	1,358

(d) The total cash outflow for leases is disclosed in note 39(c) to consolidated financial statements.

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Lease liabilities payable:		
Within one year	1,023	726
Within a period of more than one year but not exceeding two years	837	550
Within a period more than two years but not exceeding five years	1,357	945
Within a period of more than five years	872	780
Total minimum lease payment	4,089	3,001
Less: total future interest expenses	(362)	(352)
	3,727	2,649
Less: Amount due for settlement with 12 months shown under current liabilities	(903)	(688)
Amount due for settlement after 12 months shown under non-current liabilities	2,824	1,961

The weighted average incremental borrowing rates applied to lease liabilities range from 0.01% to 12.28% (2021: 0.01% to 10.12%).

16. LEASES (continued)**The Group as a lessor**

The Group leases its investment properties (Note 15) consisting of one commercial property in Hong Kong and two industrial properties in Dalian, the Mainland China, under operating lease arrangements as at 31 December 2022 (2021: one commercial property in Hong Kong and two industrial properties in Dalian, the Mainland China,). Rental income recognised by the Group was approximately RMB29 million (2021: RMB25 million) for the years ended 31 December 2022, details of which are included in note 5 to consolidated financial statements.

At the end of the reporting period, the undiscounted lease payments receivables by the Group in future periods under non-cancellable operating leases with its tenants are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Within one year	3	20
In the second to fifth years, inclusive	11	11
After five years	—	3
	14	34

17. GOODWILL

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Cost:		
At 1 January	21,827	22,518
Acquisition of subsidiaries	14	—
Exchange realignment	1,803	(691)
At 31 December	23,644	21,827
Net carrying amount	23,644	21,827

17. GOODWILL (continued)

Goodwill acquired through business combinations are allocated to the following cash-generating units for impairment testing:

Smart Home Business Overseas segment:

- GE Appliances;
- Haier New Zealand Investment Holding Company Limited (“**HNZ**”); and
- Candy S.p.A (“**Candy**”)

Other business segment:

- Qingdao Gooday Lejia IOT Technology Co., Ltd. (“**Lejia IOT**”)

The Group tests goodwill annually for impairment, or more frequently if there are indications that goodwill might be impaired.

The carrying amount of goodwill allocated to each of the cash-generating units is as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
GE Appliances (Note)	20,696	18,939
HNZ (Note)	478	471
Candy (Note)	1,930	1,877
Lejia IOT (Note)	448	448
Other	92	92
Net carrying amount	23,644	21,827

Note: The recoverable amounts of GE Appliances, HNZ, Candy and Lejia IOT have been determined by using cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by senior management.

Assumptions were used in the value-in-use or fair value less cost of disposal calculation of the above cash-generating units as at 31 December 2022 and 2021 and the valuation technique is the discounted cash flow method under income approach. The following describes each key assumption on which management has based its cash flow projections to undertake impairment testing of goodwill. The annual growth rates of each CGUs are based on the relevant industry growth forecasts. The estimation is based on the unit's past performance and management's expectations for the market development.

17. GOODWILL (continued)

Key assumptions used in the calculation the recoverable and headroom amount of GE Appliances are as follows:

	Pre-tax discount rate	Annual growth rate	Terminal growth rate	Recoverable amount (in million)	Headroom amount (in million)
As at 31 December 2022	11.69%	2.29%	2%	RMB54,701	RMB20,083
As at 31 December 2021	10.78%	3%	2%	RMB54,831	RMB22,987

Key assumptions used in the calculation the recoverable and headroom amount of HNZ are as follows:

	Pre-tax discount rate	Annual growth rate	Terminal growth rate	Recoverable amount (in million)	Headroom amount (in million)
As at 31 December 2022	16.25%	4.5%	2%	RMB3,220	RMB757
As at 31 December 2021	17.85%	4.36%	2%	RMB3,447	RMB874

Key assumptions used in the calculation the recoverable and headroom amount of Candy are as follows:

	Pre-tax discount rate	Annual growth rate	Terminal growth rate	Recoverable amount (in million)	Headroom amount (in million)
As at 31 December 2022	10.2%	6.68%	2%	RMB8,525	RMB1,764
As at 31 December 2021	9.52%	15.54%	2%	RMB24,280	RMB18,692

17. GOODWILL (continued)

Sensitivity analysis of the recoverable amount are disclosed as below:

	GE Appliances	HNZ	Candy
1% (increase)/decrease in pre-tax discount rate would result in recoverable amount (decrease)/increase by:			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB(5,927)/7,357	RMB(303)/351	RMB(1,652)/2,250
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB(6,376)/7,651	RMB(273)/318	RMB(3,495)/4,584
1% increase/(decrease) in annual growth rate would result in recoverable amount increase/(decrease) by:			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB8,676/(8,735)	RMB39/(39)	RMB465/(448)
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB12,114/(12,114)	RMB46/(46)	RMB1,126/(1,089)
1% increase/(decrease) in terminal growth rate would result in recoverable amount increase/(decrease) by:			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB9,094/(6,875)	RMB231/(200)	RMB1,653/(1,218)
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB4,909/(4,040)	RMB197/(174)	RMB4,870/(3,472)

Discount rates — The discount rates used are before tax and reflect specific risks relating to similar industries and geographical locations.

Annual growth rate — The basis used to determine the annual growth rate is the average growth rate achieved in the years immediately before the budget year, increased for expected market development.

Terminal growth rate — The constant rate that the Company is expected to grow indefinitely.

During the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021, the impairment assessment is based on a valuation by an independent professional valuer. The directors and management have considered and assessed reasonably possible changes for key assumptions that there is no impairment loss and have not identified any instances that could cause the carrying amount exceed its recoverable amount.

18. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Proprietary technology RMB'M	Patents and licences RMB'M	Trademarks RMB'M	Software & Others RMB'M	Total RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	971	3,447	2,714	1,826	8,958
Additions	137	170	—	511	818
Disposals	—	—	(4)	(30)	(34)
Amortisation provided for the year	(152)	(124)	—	(554)	(830)
Impairment loss	—	—	(30)	—	(30)
Exchange realignment	(50)	(74)	(204)	(55)	(383)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	906	3,419	2,476	1,698	8,499
Additions	126	37	—	965	1,128
Acquisition of subsidiaries	—	—	—	10	10
Disposals	—	(3)	—	(4)	(7)
Amortisation provided for the year	(200)	(147)	—	(697)	(1,044)
Exchange realignment	36	323	107	83	549
As at 31 December 2022	868	3,629	2,583	2,055	9,135

The carrying amounts of trademarks allocated to each of cash generating units of the Group is estimated individually for impairment testing as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
GE Appliances	662	606
HNZ	548	534
Candy	1,373	1,336
Net carrying amount	2,583	2,476

18. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

The trademark held represented the exclusive right to use of registered trademarks, including Fisher & Paykel, DCS and ELBA for HNZ business. GE Appliances operates under several key brands, including General Electric series (all product lines), Monogram (refrigerator and cooking), and Hotpoint (laundry and cooking), etc. Candy business operates under several key brands, including Candy (mainly oriented to the low-to-mid-end kitchen and bathroom appliances) and Hoover (mainly oriented to the mid-to-high-end kitchen and bathroom appliances and the floor care appliances).

In estimating the fair value of trademark, a variation of the income approach, the Relief from Royalty (“RfR”) Method, was applied. In the RfR method, the fair value of the intangible asset is estimated to be the present value of the royalties saved because the Company owns the intangible asset. In other words, the owner of the intangible asset realises a benefit from owning the intangible asset rather than pay a rent or royalty for the use of the intangible asset.

Set out below are details of the value of inputs used in the value-in-use calculation under IAS 36. The calculation uses cash flow projections based on financial budgets approved by management, and key parameters adopted by the valuer for performing the impairment assessment of the intangible assets belong to GE Appliances, HNZ and Candy, being the cash generating unit of the Group with indefinite useful lives (i.e. trademark) as at 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

	GE Appliances	HNZ	Candy
Key Parameters on valuation:			
(a) Annual growth rate			
31 December 2022:	2.29%	4.50%	6.68%
31 December 2021:	3.00%	4.36%	15.54%
(b) Pre-tax discount rate			
31 December 2022:	11.56%	19.71%	11.05%
31 December 2021:	10.40%	20.32%	10.25%
(c) Terminal growth rate			
31 December 2022:	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
31 December 2021:	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
(d) Royalty rate			
31 December 2022:	1.25%	2.60%	1.25%
31 December 2021:	1.25%	2.60%	1.25%

Annual growth rate — The basis used to determine the annual growth rate is the average growth rate achieved in the years immediately before the budget year, increased for expected market development.

Discount rates — The discount rates used are before tax and reflect specific risks relating to similar industries and geographical locations.

Terminal growth rate — The constant rate that the Company is expected to grow indefinitely.

Royalty rate — The royalty rate used to determine the royalty fee received for the right to use the subject intangible asset.

18. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

There was no impairment loss being recognised during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021.

Sensitivity analysis of the recoverable amount are disclosed as below:

	GE Appliances	HNZ	Candy
Sensitivity analysis			
1% increase/(decrease) in annual growth rate would result in recoverable amount increase/(decrease) by:			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB11/(11)	RMB8/(8)	RMB115/(111)
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB10/(10)	RMB7/(7)	RMB107/(103)
1% (increase)/decrease in the pre-tax discount rate would result in recoverable amount (decrease)/increase by:			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB(131)/169	RMB(40)/44	RMB(372)/495
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB(111)/141	RMB(35)/39	RMB(311)/400
1% increase/(decrease) in terminal growth rate would result in recoverable amount increase/(decrease) by:			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB83/(65)	RMB25/(22)	RMB358/(275)
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB93/(71)	RMB22/(20)	RMB386/(289)
Headroom amount			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB474	RMB266	RMB1,559
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB400	RMB199	RMB1,473
Recoverable amount			
31 December 2022 (in million):	RMB1,136	RMB814	RMB2,932
31 December 2021 (in million):	RMB1,006	RMB733	RMB2,809

18. OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

During the year ended 31 December 2022 and 2021, the impairment assessment is based on a valuation by an independent professional valuer and the directors and management have considered and assessed reasonably possible changes for key assumptions that there is no impairment loss and have not identified any instances that could cause the carrying amount exceed its recoverable amount.

19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES

Details of interests in associates of the Group is as follow:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cost of investments in associates	18,915	18,468
Share of post-acquisition profits and other comprehensive income, net of dividends received	5,738	4,860
Impairments loss	(125)	(127)
	24,528	23,201

19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (continued)

Particulars of the material associates of the Group are as follows:

Name	Place of incorporation/ place of operation	Issued share capital or registered capital '000	Percentage of equity attributable to the Company as at		Principal activity	Type of legal status
			31 December 2022	2021		
Haier Group Finance Co., Ltd	Mainland China/ Mainland China	RMB7,000	42.00%	42.00%	Financing	Limited liability company

The following table illustrates summarised financial position of Haier Group Finance Co., Ltd information as at 31 December 2022 and 2021 and summarised financial performance information for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 adjusted for any differences in accounting policies and reconciled to the carrying amount in the consolidated financial statements.

Haier Group Finance Co., Ltd. (“Haier Finance”)

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Current assets	62,368	61,295
Non-Current assets, excluding goodwill	12,623	9,404
Current liabilities	(56,510)	(53,404)
Non-current liabilities	(480)	(370)
Net assets, excluding goodwill	18,001	16,925
Proportion of the Group's ownership	42.00%	42.00%
The Group's share of net assets of Haier Finance	7,561	7,109
Revenue	2,037	2,040
Profit for the year	1,585	1,503
Other comprehensive income/(loss)	10	(38)
Total comprehensive income for the year	1,595	1,465
Reconciliation of net assets of Haier Finance:		
Opening net asset 1 January	7,109	6,712
Dividends declared	(218)	(218)
Share of results of Haier Finance	670	615
Closing net asset 31 December	7,561	7,109

19. INTERESTS IN ASSOCIATES (continued)**Haier Group Finance Co., Ltd. (“Haier Finance”) (continued)**

The following table illustrates the aggregate financial information of the Group’s and the Company’s associates that are not individually material:

	2022	2021
	RMB’M	RMB’M
		(Restated)
Share of results of the associates for the year	918	1,276
Share of the associates’ other comprehensive income/(loss)	96	(34)
	2022	2021
	RMB’M	RMB’M
		(Restated)
Aggregate carrying amount of the Group’s investments in the associates	17,092	16,219

The Group’s trade and bills receivables and trade and bills payables balances with the associates are disclosed in notes 25 and 29 to consolidated financial statements respectively.

20. EQUITY INVESTMENTS DESIGNATED AT FVTOCI

	2022	2021
	RMB’M	RMB’M
		(Restated)
Listed equity investments, at fair value:		
— Qingdao Eastsoft Communication Technology Co., Ltd	9	14
— Other	7	7
Unlisted equity investments, at fair value:		
— SINOPEC Fuel Oil Sales Corporation Limited	1,235	1,290
— COSMO IOT Technology Co., Ltd. (“COSMO”)	2,817	2,812
— Other	1,784	729
	5,852	4,852

20. EQUITY INVESTMENTS DESIGNATED AT FVTOCI (continued)

The above equity investments were irrevocably designated at FVTOCI as the Group considers these investments to be strategic in nature. Details of valuation techniques used to estimate the fair values of the above equity investments are set out in note 44 to consolidated financial statements.

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group received dividends in the amount of approximately RMB32 million (2021: RMB59 million) from the above investments.

21. FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT FVTPL

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Current		
Wealth management products	15	2,169
Foreign currency forward contracts	—	136
Marketable securities	168	151
Investment in other equity instruments	337	330
	520	2,786

As at 31 December 2022 and 2021, included in the Group's wealth management products were products with floating returns which were measured at FVTPL.

22. FINANCIAL ASSETS MEASURED AT AMORTISED COST

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Current		
Wealth management products	1,642	317
Non-current		
Time deposits	1,034	—
Long-term receivables	305	309
	1,339	309
	2,981	626

As at 31 December 2022 and 2021, included in the Group's wealth management products were products with fixed returns which were stated at amortised cost. All wealth management products are principal protected. The expected credit losses for the wealth management products are immaterial to the Group.

23. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Non-current assets		
Derivative financial instruments	—	47
Derivatives that are designated and effective as hedging instruments carried at fair value:		
Current assets		
Foreign currency forward contracts	179	73
Forward commodity contract	4	7
	183	80
	183	127
Non-current liabilities		
Put option liabilities	17	—
Derivatives that are designated and effective as hedging instruments carried at fair value:		
Current liabilities		
Foreign currency forward contracts	93	60
Interest rate swaps	—	20
Forward commodity contract	12	—
	105	80
	122	80

24. INVENTORIES

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Raw material	6,049	5,057
Work in progress	74	115
Finished goods	35,420	34,740
	41,543	39,912

25. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Trade receivables	17,107	15,367
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses (" ECL ")	(1,193)	(742)
Trade receivables, net	15,914	14,625
Bills receivables	9,584	13,422
Less: Allowance for ECL	(4)	(67)
Bills receivables, net	9,580	13,355
Total	25,494	27,980

The Group's trading terms with its customers are mainly on credit, except for new customers, where payment in advance is normally required. The credit period generally ranges from 30 to 90 days. Each customer has a maximum credit limit. The Group seeks to maintain strict control over its outstanding receivables to minimise credit risk. Overdue balances are reviewed regularly by senior management. In view of the aforementioned and the fact that the Group's trade receivables relate to a large number of diversified customers, there is no significant concentration of credit risk. The Group does not hold any collateral or other credit enhancements over its trade receivable balances. Trade receivables are non-interest bearing.

An aging analysis of the trade receivables (net of ECL) as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
1 to 3 months	13,637	12,756
3 months to 1 year	1,697	1,523
1 to 2 years	416	238
2 to 3 years	129	53
Over 3 year	35	55
	15,914	14,625

25. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (continued)

The movements in the ECL allowance of trade and bills receivables are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	809	453
Impairment losses, net (Note 6)	419	418
Amount written off as uncollectible	(36)	(33)
Exchange realignment	5	(29)
As at 31 December	1,197	809

As at 31 December 2022 and 2021, impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure ECL. The ECL rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments with similar loss patterns (i.e., by customer type).

Set out below is the information about the credit risk exposure on the Group's trade receivables using a provision matrix:

As at 31 December 2022

	Less than 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 years	Over 3 years	Individual assessment	Total
Average loss rate	2.17%	7.58%	38.17%	70.04%	98.35%	6.97%
Gross carrying amount (RMB'M)	15,670	445	204	119	669	17,107
Expected credit loss (RMB'M)	340	34	78	83	658	1,193

As at 31 December 2021 (Restated)

	Less than 1 year	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 years	Over 3 years	Individual assessment	Total
Average loss rate	2.15%	4.10%	30.57%	58.42%	83.98%	4.83%
Gross carrying amount (RMB'M)	14,549	229	77	131	381	15,367
Expected credit losses (RMB'M)	313	9	23	77	320	742

25. TRADE AND BILLS RECEIVABLES (continued)

Included in the Group's trade and bills receivables are amounts due from Haier Affiliates approximately RMB734 million (2021: RMB525 million (restated)) and amounts due from associates approximately RMB1,168 million (2021: RMB753 million (restated)) as at 31 December 2022. All of these amounts are repayable on credit terms similar to those offered to the major customers of the Group. Further details of the sales to these related parties are set out in note 13 to consolidated financial statements.

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's bills receivables of approximately RMB8,715 million (2021: RMB12,449 million) were pledged to secure the Group's bills payable. The Groups' bills receivables of approximately RMB1 million (2021: RMB78 million) and trade receivables of approximately RMB1,945 million (2021: RMB1,914 million) were pledged, which included approximately RMB70 million (2021: RMB185 million) were pledged to secured of the Group's loan.

26. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Current		
Interest receivables (Note a)	513	295
Taxes recoverable (Note a)	2,710	3,276
Prepayments (Note a)	1,121	864
Deposits (Note a)	81	87
Other receivables (Note a)	2,000	1,846
Miscellaneous receivables (Note a)	563	585
	6,988	6,953
Less: Allowance for ECL	(436)	(519)
	6,552	6,434
Non-current		
Long-term prepayments (Note b)	1,672	1,860
	8,224	8,294

Notes:

- (a) Included in the Group's prepayments, deposits and other receivables are amounts due from Haier Affiliates of approximately RMB587 million (2021: RMB491 million (restated)) and amounts due from associates of approximately RMB146 million (2021: RMB119 million (restated)) as at 31 December 2022. All of these amounts are unsecured, interest-free and recoverable on demand.

Prepayments, deposits and other receivables mainly represent prepayments and the deposits with suppliers and other parties. The ECL are estimated by applying a general approach with reference to the historical loss record of the Group and is adjusted to reflect the current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions, as appropriate. The average loss rate applied as at the 31 December 2022 was 6.24% (2021: 7.46% (restated)). The credit quality of the financial assets included in prepayments, deposits and other receivables is considered to be normal because they are not past due and there is no information indicating that the financial assets had a significant increase in credit risk.

- (b) Included in the Group's long-term prepayments are advances made to Haier Affiliates relating to the Group's property, plant and equipment with an aggregate amount of approximately RMB4 million (2021: RMB33 million) as at 31 December 2022. The amounts are unsecured, interest-free and recoverable on demand.

26. PREPAYMENTS, DEPOSITS AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

The movements in the ECL of deposits and other receivables are as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
As at 1 January	519	341
Impairment losses, net (Note 6)	293	428
Amount written off as uncollectible	(385)	(248)
Disposal of subsidiaries	—	(1)
Exchange realignment	9	(1)
As at 31 December	436	519

27. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS

Bank balances carry interest at market rates which range from 0.30% to 3.90% per annum (2021: 0.30% to 3.90% per annum) for the year ended 31 December 2022. The pledged deposits carry an interest rate which ranges from 0.30% to 3.50% per annum (2021: 0.39% to 3.90% per annum) for the year ended 31 December 2022. The pledged bank deposits will be released upon the settlement of relevant bills payables (Note 29).

Pledged bank deposits represent deposits pledged to banks to secure banking facilities granted to the Group. Deposits amounting to approximately RMB642 million (2021: RMB744 million) have been pledged to secure bills payables (Note 29) as at 31 December 2022 and are therefore classified as current assets.

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Cash and bank balances	26,994	25,136
Time deposits	27,145	20,962
	54,139	46,098
Less: Cash and bank balances and time deposits pledged for:		
Bills payable (Note 29)	(642)	(744)
Bank guarantees	(23)	(11)
Pledged deposits	(665)	(755)
Other deposit with limited use	(105)	(145)
Cash and cash equivalents	53,369	45,198

27. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND PLEDGED BANK DEPOSITS (continued)

As at 31 December 2022, the cash and bank balances and time deposits of the Group, denominated in RMB, amounted to approximately RMB41,431 million (2021: RMB35,524 million (restated)). The RMB is not freely convertible into other currencies; however, under Mainland China's Foreign Exchange Control Regulations and Administration of Settlement, Sale and Payment of Foreign Exchange Regulations, the Group is permitted to exchange RMB for other currencies through banks authorised to conduct foreign exchange business.

Cash at banks earns interest at floating rates based on daily bank deposit rates. Time deposits are made for within three months depending on the immediate cash requirements of the Group, and earn interest at the deposit rates of the respective periods. The bank balances and pledged deposits are deposited with creditworthy banks or financial institutions with no recent history of default.

Included in the Group's cash and cash equivalents are deposits of approximately RMB31,424 million (2021: RMB28,745 million (restated)) placed with Haier Finance as at 31 December 2022 which is an associate of the Group and is a financial institution approved by the People's Bank of China. The interest rate on these deposits ranges from 0.39% to 3.50% per annum (2021 0.39% to 3.30% per annum) for the year ended 31 December 2022. Further details of the interest income attributable to the deposits placed with Haier Finance are set out in note 13 to consolidated financial statements.

28. ASSETS AND DISPOSAL GROUP HELD FOR SALE

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Assets	—	5

29. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Trade payables	41,884	42,363
Bills payables	25,091	25,023
	66,975	67,386

29. TRADE AND BILLS PAYABLES (continued)

An aging analysis of the trade and bills payables as at the end of the reporting period, based on the invoice date, is as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Within 1 year	66,485	66,985
1 to 2 years	280	170
2 to 3 years	89	84
Over 3 years	121	147
	66,975	67,386

The trade and bills payables are non-interest bearing and are normally settled on credit terms ranging from 30 to 180 days.

Included in the Group's trade and bills payables are amounts due to Haier Affiliates of approximately RMB3,570 million (2021: RMB4,138 million (restated)) and amounts due to an associate of approximately RMB1,492 million (2021: RMB1,487 million) as at 31 December 2022. Further details of the purchases from these related parties are set out in note 13 to consolidated financial statements.

As at 31 December 2022, the Group's bills payable are secured by the pledge of the Group's bank deposits amounting to approximately RMB642 million (2021: RMB744 million) (Note 27) and the Group's bills receivable amounting to approximately RMB8,715 million (2021: RMB12,449 million) (Note 25).

30. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Other payables and accruals	22,505	22,994
Refund liabilities:		
Volume rebate	1,465	1,582
Sales return	625	656
Deferred income (Note 34)	114	130
	24,709	25,362

Other payables are non-interest bearing and repayable on demand.

30. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS (continued)

Included in the Group's other payables and accruals are amounts due to Haier Affiliates of approximately RMB1,104 million (2021: RMB1,310 million (restated)), amounts due to associates of approximately RMB65 million (2021: RMB59 million (restated)) as at 31 December 2022. All of these amounts are unsecured, interest-free and repayable on demand.

31. CONTRACT ASSETS/CONTRACT LIABILITIES**(a) Contract assets**

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Retention for rendering service	380	304
Impairment loss	(70)	—
	310	304

The contract assets primarily relate to the Group's right to consideration for work completed and not billed because the rights are conditioned on the Group's future performance. The contract assets are transferred to trade receivables when the rights become unconditional.

The Group also typically agrees to a retention for 5% of the contract value. This amount is included in contract assets until the end of the retention period as the Group's entitlement to this final payment is conditional at the end of warranty period.

The Group classifies these contract assets as current because the Group expects to realise them in its normal operating cycle.

(b) Contract liabilities

The Group's sale of products and provision of after-sales and logistics services and other value-added customer services contracts include payment schedules which require stage payments over the services period once certain specified milestones are reached. The Group requires certain customers to provide upfront deposits range from 10% to 20% of total contract sum as part of its credit risk management policies. The Group typically require 10% of total contract sum for credit risk management.

31. CONTRACT ASSETS/CONTRACT LIABILITIES (continued)**(b) Contract liabilities (continued)**

The Group's contract liabilities are analysed as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Receipt in advance/contract liabilities		
Sale of goods	9,321	10,016
Rendering of services	9	11
As at 31 December	9,330	10,027

Contract liabilities mainly include short-term advances received from customers for sales of products and provision of after-sales and logistics services and other value-added customer services.

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M (Restated)
Contract liabilities		
As at 1 January	10,027	6,273
Consideration received from customers over the amounts of revenue recognised	9,063	9,897
Less:		
Revenue recognised during the year	(9,760)	(6,143)
As at 31 December	9,330	10,027

32. INTEREST-BEARING BORROWINGS

The analysis of the carrying amount of interest-bearing borrowings is as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Current		
Bank loans — unsecured	12,330	17,408
Bank loans — secured	155	560
	12,485	17,968
Non-current		
Bank loans — unsecured	13,603	3,075
Bank loans — secured	24	—
	13,627	3,075
	26,112	21,043
Unsecured	25,933	20,483
Secured	179	560
	26,112	21,043
Analysed into:		
Loans repayable:		
Within one year or on demand	12,485	17,968
In the second year	992	3,036
In the third to fifth years, inclusive	12,598	39
Over five years	37	—
	26,112	21,043
Effective interest rate		
Current		
Bank loans — unsecured	0.85% to 8.00%	0.40% to 7.50%
Bank loans — secured	2.00% to 4.50%	0.50% to 4.00%
Non-current		
Bank loans — unsecured	1.50% to 5.31%	0.80% to 7.50%
Bank loans — secured	1.19%	—

32. INTEREST-BEARING BORROWINGS (continued)

As at 31 December 2022 and 2021, the Group's interest-bearing borrowings were denominated in the following currencies:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
USD	10,006	8,903
EUR	9,503	7,829
RMB	2,595	174
Other currencies	4,008	4,137
	26,112	21,043

Included in the Group's interest-bearing borrowings are borrowings of approximately RMB60 million (2021: RMB337 million) from Haier Finance, which is an associate of the Group and is a financial institution approved by the People's Bank of China. The interest rate on these loans ranges from 1.8% to 4.5% per annum (2021: 1.5% to 3.1% per annum) for the years ended 31 December 2022. Further details of the interest expense to these related parties are set out in note 13 to consolidated financial statement.

The Group's loans are guaranteed by:

- (i) Haier Group, the controlling shareholder of the Company, to the extent of approximately RMB60 million as at 31 December 2022 (2021: RMB305 million); and

The Group's loans are secured by:

- (i) the pledge of the Group's trade and bills receivables with carrying amount of approximately RMB71 million as at 31 December 2022 (2021: RMB263 million).

33. PROVISIONS

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Product warranties	3,502	3,681
Legal claim	307	29
Others	339	429
	4,148	4,139
Portion classified as current liabilities	(2,537)	(2,190)
	1,611	1,949

The movements in product warranties are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	3,681	2,911
Additional provision (Note 6)	5,945	5,480
Amounts utilised during the year	(6,178)	(4,678)
Exchange realignment	54	(32)
As at 31 December	3,502	3,681

The Group provides installation services and warranties of three to eight years to its customers for refrigerators, freezers, kitchen appliances, air-conditioners, laundry appliances, water appliances and smart home business overseas under which faulty products are repaired or replaced. The amount of the provision for the warranties is estimated based on retail volume and past experience of the level of installation services rendered, repairs and returns. The estimation basis is reviewed on an ongoing basis and revised where appropriate.

34. DEFERRED INCOME

The movement of deferred income is set out below:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
As at 1 January	853	633
Compensation received during the year	233	319
Credit to profit or loss	(137)	(99)
As at 31 December	949	853
Less: Current portion included in other payables and accruals (Note 30)	(114)	(130)
Non-current portion	835	723

Government grants mainly include subsidies income received by a subsidiary of the Group which operates in the Mainland China in accordance with the subsidy policies of local government authorities. Subsidies income received by a subsidiary of the Group is recognised in the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income when received and no specific conditions are required. Those government grants recognised are included in other income. There are no unfulfilled conditions or contingencies relating to these government grants.

35. DEFERRED TAX

The movements in deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

Deferred tax assets

	Provision for impairment RMB'M	Accruals and payables RMB'M	Unrealised profits RMB'M	Tax losses RMB'M	Research and development expenses RMB'M	Other RMB'M	Total RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	374	1,749	669	807	58	304	3,961
Deferred tax (charged)/credited to the statement of profit or loss during the year, net	(8)	(278)	(51)	3	3	217	(114)
Deferred tax charged to the statement of other comprehensive income during the year	—	—	—	—	—	(48)	(48)
Exchange realignment	(11)	(65)	1	7	(4)	(81)	(153)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	355	1,406	619	817	57	392	3,646
Deferred tax credited/(charged) to the statement of profit or loss during the year, net	126	37	229	(609)	539	(36)	286
Deferred tax credited to the statement of other comprehensive income during the year	—	—	—	—	—	25	25
Exchange realignment	4	82	1	9	19	(34)	81
As at 31 December 2022	485	1,525	849	217	615	347	4,038

35. DEFERRED TAX (continued)**Deferred tax liabilities**

	Withholding taxes RMB'M	Difference of depreciation and amortisation RMB'M	Remeasurement fair value of equity instruments RMB'M	Changes in fair value of other investments RMB'M	Others RMB'M	Total RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	94	2,366	879	7	305	3,651
Deferred tax charged to the statement of profit or loss during the year, net	—	76	—	—	7	83
Deferred tax charged to the statement of other comprehensive income during the year	—	—	—	290	26	316
Exchange realignment	—	(124)	—	(5)	(10)	(139)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	94	2,318	879	292	328	3,911
Deferred tax charged to the statement of profit or loss during the year, net	—	518	—	—	74	592
Deferred tax charged to the statement of other comprehensive income during the year	—	—	—	1	7	8
Exchange realignment	—	172	—	—	(8)	164
As at 31 December 2022	94	3,008	879	293	401	4,675

35. DEFERRED TAX (continued)**Deferred tax liabilities (continued)**

For presentation purpose, certain deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset in the statement of financial position. The following is an analysis of the deferred tax balance of the Group for financial reporting purpose:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Net deferred tax assets recognised in the consolidated Statement of financial position	1,722	1,857
Net deferred tax liabilities recognised in the consolidated Statement of financial position	(2,359)	(2,122)
Net deferred tax liabilities	(637)	(265)

36. SHARE CAPITAL

The movements of the Company's issued share capital during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

	H Shares	D Shares	A Shares	Total number of shares	Share capital
	'M	'M	'M	'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	2,448	271	6,309	9,028	9,028
Issue of shares (Note a)	403	—	—	403	403
Shares repurchased and cancelled (Note b)	(32)	—	—	(32)	(32)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	2,819	271	6,309	9,399	9,399
Issue of shares (Note c)	22	—	—	22	22
Shares repurchased and cancelled (Note d)	(15)	—	—	(15)	(15)
Placing of shares (Note e)	41	—	—	41	41
As at 31 December 2022	2,867	271	6,309	9,447	9,447

36. SHARE CAPITAL (continued)

Notes:

- (a) Upon conversion of convertible bond during year ended 31 December 2021, a total of 403,210,889 H Shares were issued.
- (b) During the year ended 31 December 2021, the Company repurchased a total of 32,352,800 H shares at a consideration of approximately HKD1,000 million which were subsequently cancelled.
- (c) Upon conversion of convertible bond during year ended 31 December 2022, a total of 21,450,563 H Shares were issued.
- (d) During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Company repurchased a total of 14,970,200 H shares at a consideration of approximately HKD362 million which were subsequently cancelled.
- (e) On 21 January 2022, the Company placed 41,413,600 H shares to five placees, who and whose ultimate beneficial owners are third parties independent of and not connected with the Company and/or its connected persons at a placing price of HK\$28 per share.
- (f) All shares issued are at par value of RMB1.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS

The Company adopted the A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) (2021–2025), the H Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) (2021–2025) and the H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (RSU) at the 2020 annual general meeting held on 25 June 2021.

It is expected that relevant employees of the Group ordinarily reside within Mainland China will mainly be covered by the A Share ESOP and H Share ESOP, while relevant employees of the Group ordinarily reside outside Mainland China will mainly be covered by the RSU Scheme.

With the authorization at the 2020 AGM of the Company, the Company introduced the H Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2022) and the A Share Core Employees Ownership Plan (2022) upon the approval at the 28th Meeting of the 10th session of the Board of Directors of the Company convened on 28 April 2022. The Company advanced the work related to the 2022 A Share and H Share ESOP.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(a) A and H Share ESOP

A Share ESOP (2021)

The total amount of funds to be used to participate in the A Share ESOP for 2021 was RMB708 million. Pursuant to the arrangement of the A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2021), 25,440,807 A Shares (amounting to approximately RMB707 million, excluding related fees and tax expenses) held in the designated securities repurchase account of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. were transferred to the designated account of “Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. — A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2021)” at the price of RMB27.79 per share (which is the average purchase cost price of the shares in the designated repurchase account) through non-trading transfer on 22 July 2021.

Such proportion of shares will be locked up in accordance with the regulations. According to the A Share ESOP (2021–2025), the A Share ESOP is subject to a 12-month lock-up period from the date of the Company’s disclosure of the announcement of the completion of the transfer of the repurchased A Shares from the designated securities repurchase account of the Company (i.e., from 24 July 2021 to 23 July 2022).

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is generally two years in the proportion of 40% and 60%, and the final appraisal period and the vesting proportion shall be determined by the Management Committee of the ESOP.

The A Share ESOP (2021) participants include 14 persons of the directors, supervisors and other senior management members, and 1,585 core technical (business) employees.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(a) A and H Share ESOP

A Share ESOP (2022)

There should be no more than 2,250 employees participating in the 2022 ESOP. The total amount of funds to be used to participate in the 2022 ESOP shall be RMB680 million. There are 11 persons including directors, supervisors and senior officers, with a total share of RMB21.96 million, accounting for 3.2% of the 2022 ESOP. There are 2,239 core technical (business) personnel of the Company and its subsidiaries, with a total share of RMB658.04 million, accounting for 96.8% of the 2022 ESOP.

Participants of the 2022 ESOP shall include the directors (except for independent directors) and senior officers of the Company, and core technical (business) personnel of the Company.

The 2022 ESOP shall establish a lock-up period of 12 months from the date of disclosure of the announcement on completion of transfer of the repurchased shares of the Company from the repurchase special account.

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is two years, and upon the expiration of the lock-up period of the 2022 ESOP, 40% and 60% of the corresponding underlying shares shall be vested to the participants in two phases. The specific vesting time shall be determined by the Management Committee upon the expiration of the lock-up period.

On 21 July 2022, 26,814,055 Shares (average purchase cost was RMB25.33 per share) held in the “repurchase special account of Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd”. were transferred to the designated account of “Haier Smart Home Co., Ltd. — A Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2022)” through non-trading transfer. The lock-up period is from 22 July 2022 to 21 July 2023.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)**(a) A and H Share ESOP (continued)**

Particulars and movements of A Share ESOP during the year ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Weighted average grant date fair value per share RMB	Number of awarded shares	Weighted average grant date fair value per share RMB	Number of awarded shares
At 1 January	24.9	25,440,807	—	—
Granted during the year	22.6	26,814,055	24.9	25,440,807
Vested during the year	24.9	(7,617,080)	—	—
Outstanding as at 31 December	23.5	44,637,782	24.9	25,440,807

During the year ended 31 December 2022, A Share ESOP was granted on 10 August 2022. The estimated fair values of the share granted on date is RMB607 million. During the year ended 31 December 2021, A Share ESOP was granted on 30 July 2021. The estimated fair values of the share granted on date is RMB632 million.

The fair value of the A Share ESOP was calculated based on the market price of the Company's shares at the grant date. The expected dividends during the vesting period have been taken into account when assessing the fair value of these awarded shares.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(a) A and H Share ESOP (2022) (continued)

H Share ESOP (2021)

The total amount of funds used to participate in the ESOP for 2021 was RMB90 million. Pursuant to the arrangement of the H Share Core Employee Stock Ownership Plan (2021), the Company entrusted an asset management company to purchase a total of 3,757,000 H Shares of the Company in the secondary market through the Hong Kong Stock Connect, with an average transaction price of HK\$28.268 per share and a transaction amount of approximately HK\$106 million. The aforesaid purchased shares will be subject to lockup for a period from 27 July 2021 to 26 July 2022.

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is generally two years in the proportion of 40% and 60%, and the final appraisal period and the vesting proportion shall be determined by the Management Committee of the ESOP.

Upon the vesting of the H Shares, the vested H Shares will be sold by the asset management company on due course for the cash settlement to the participants.

The participants of the H Share ESOP are 35 core senior management staff members of the Company who play an important role in the overall performance and development of the Company.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(a) A and H Share ESOP (2022) (continued)

H Share ESOP (2022)

Participants of the 2022 ESOP shall include the directors (except for independent directors) and senior officers of the Company, and core technical (business) personnel of the Company and its subsidiaries, totaling 33 persons. The total amount of funds to be used to participate in the 2022 ESOP shall be RMB60 million. There are 8 persons including directors, and senior officers, with a total share of RMB20.53 million, accounting for 34.2% of the 2022 ESOP. There are 25 other core management personnel of the Company, with a total share of RMB39.47 million, accounting for 65.8% of the 2022 ESOP.

The source of shares of the 2022 ESOP shall be the H shares of the Company purchased from the secondary market through the Shanghai-Hong Kong Stock Connect. The lock-up period shall be 12 months, calculated from the date when the Company announces that the underlying shares purchased in the last time are recorded in the 2022 ESOP.

During the year, the Company entrusted an asset management company to purchase a total of 2,653,200 H Shares of the Company in the secondary market through the Hong Kong Stock Connect, with an average transaction price of HKD25.663 per share and a transaction amount of approximately HK\$68 million.

After the end of the lock-up period, the participants of the 2022 ESOP shall be appraised according to the performance appraisal system of the Company. The appraisal period is two years, and upon the appraisal, 40% and 60% of the shares of the plan shall be vested to the participants in two phases.

The specific vesting time shall be determined by the Management Committee upon the expiration of the lock-up period. Upon the vesting of the H Shares, the vested H Shares will be sold by the asset management company on due course for the cash settlement to the participants.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)**(a) A and H Share ESOP (2022) (continued)**

Particulars and movements of H Share ESOP during the year ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Weighted average grant date fair value per share RMB	Number of awarded shares	Weighted average grant date fair value per share RMB	Number of awarded shares
At 1 January	21.6	3,757,000	—	—
Granted during the year	19.7	2,653,200	21.6	3,757,000
Vested during the year	21.6	(1,292,349)	—	—
Outstanding as at 31 December	20.7	5,117,851	21.6	3,757,000

During the year ended 31 December 2022, H Share ESOP were granted on 10 August 2022. The estimated fair values of the share granted on date is RMB52 million. During the year ended 31 December 2021, H Share ESOP were granted on 30 July 2021. The estimated fair values of the share granted on date is RMB81 million.

The Group recognised a total expense of RMB567 million (31 December 2021: RMB209 million) for the year ended 31 December 2022 in relation to A and H Share ESOP granted by the Company.

The fair value of the H Share ESOP was calculated based on the market price of the Company's shares at the grant date. The expected dividends during the vesting period have been taken into account when assessing the fair value of these awarded shares.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)**(b) H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2021 and 2022)**

The vesting of the award granted under the RSU Scheme is subject to the conditions of the relevant business unit(s) and personal performance targets of the relevant selected participant and any other applicable vesting conditions as set out in the award letter.

Eligible Person who may participate in the RSU Scheme include any individual, being an employee, director, supervisor, senior management, key operating team member of any member of the Group who the Board or its delegatee considers, in their sole discretion, to have significantly contributed or will significantly contribute to the development of the Group.

The Board shall not make any further grant which will result in the aggregate number of H Shares granted to exceed one per cent (1%) of the total number of issued H Shares as at the relevant grant date. The total number of RSU granted but remain unvested to a selected participant under the RSU Scheme shall not exceed zero point one per cent (0.1%) of the total number of issued H Shares as at the relevant grant date.

During the year ended 31 December 2021 and 2022, a total of 4,438,027 and 5,636,959 H Share RSU of the Company were granted to and accepted by staff members of the Company respectively.

Particulars and movements of H Share RSU during the year ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Weighted average grant date fair value per share RMB	Number of awarded shares	Weighted average grant date fair value per share RMB	Number of awarded shares
At 1 January	21.6	4,438,027	—	—
Granted during the year	22.2	5,636,959	21.6	4,438,027
Vested during the year	21.6	(309,451)	—	—
Lapsed during the year	21.6	(999,660)	—	—
Outstanding as at 31 December	22.0	8,765,875	21.6	4,438,027

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(b) H Share Restricted Share Unit Scheme (2021 and 2022) (continued)

During the year ended 31 December 2022, H Share RSU were granted on 25 May 2022, 23 June 2022 and 9 September 2022. The estimated fair values of the H Share RSU granted on those dates are RMB1 million, RMB123 million and RMB1 million respectively.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, H Share RSU were granted on 30 July 2021, 1 September 2021 and 15 December 2021. The estimated fair values of the H Share RSU granted on those dates are RMB93 million, RMB1 million and RMB2 million respectively.

The Group recognised a total expense of RMB30 million (31 December 2021: RMB17 million) for the year ended 31 December 2022 in relation to H Share RSU granted by the Company.

The fair value of the H Share RSU was calculated based on the market price of the Company's shares at the grant date. The expected dividends during the vesting period have been taken into account when assessing the fair value of these awarded shares.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)

(c) A-Share Option Scheme

The total number shares of the Company to be granted under the A Share Option Incentive schemes within the validity period to any participants will not exceed 1% of the total number of shares of the Company. The total underlying shares of the Company involved under fully effective share option incentive schemes shall not exceed 10% of the total number of shares of the Company.

2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme

The Company adopted a 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme (the “**2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme**”) at the extraordinary general meeting held on 15 September 2021.

For the 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme, the Company had resolved to grant 51,000,000 Share Options to the Participants. Among which, first 46,000,000 to be granted and 5,000,000 to be reserved. In year 2021, on 15 September 2021, the Company firstly granted 46,000,000 A Share options to 400 participants (included directors of the Company). On 15 December 2021, the Company granted 4,525,214 reserved share options to 18 participants under the 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme. The remaining reserved share options under the A Share Option Incentive Scheme will not be further granted.

The share options granted in 2021 will be valid for a maximum period of 72 months commencing from the grant date to the date of full exercise or cancellation of all share options granted to the participants. Upon the expiry of the 12-month period from the grant date of share options granted under the 2021 A Share Option Incentive Scheme, and subject to the satisfaction of the exercise conditions, the participants may exercise the options in five yearly phases of 20% of the granted options each. The vesting period of the share options is from the date of grant until the respective vesting dates.

2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme

The Company adopted a 2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme (the “**2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme**”) at the annual general meeting held on 28 June 2022.

On 28 June 2022, the Company had resolved to grant 104,756,896 A share options to 1,834 participants.

The share options granted in 2022 will be valid for a maximum period of 60 months commencing from the grant date to the date of full exercise or cancellation of all share options granted to the participants. Upon the expiry of the 12-month period from the grant date of share options granted under the 2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme, and subject to the satisfaction of the exercise conditions, the participants may exercise the options in four yearly phases of 25% of the granted options each. The vesting period of the share options is from the date of grant until the respective vesting dates.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)**(c) A-Share Option Scheme (continued)**

Particulars and movements of share options during the year ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022		2021	
	Weighted average exercise price per share RMB	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price per share RMB	Number of options
At 1 January	25.6	50,525,214	—	—
Granted during the year	23.9	104,756,896	25.6	50,525,214
Outstanding as at 31 December	24.4	155,282,110	25.6	50,525,214

The weighted average remaining contract life for outstanding share options was 2.9 years in 2022 (2021: 3.7 years).

During the year ended 31 December 2022, options were granted on 28 June 2022. The estimated fair values of the option granted on this date is RMB777 million.

During the year ended 31 December 2021, options were granted on 15 September 2021 and 15 December 2021. The estimated fair values of the options granted on those dates are RMB308 million and RMB41 million respectively.

In determining the value of the share options granted, the Black-Scholes option pricing model (the “**Black-Scholes Model**”) has been used. The Black-Scholes Model is one of the most generally accepted methodologies used to calculate the value of options. The variables of the Black-Scholes Model include share price, exercise price, expected volatility, expected life, risk-free rate and expected dividend yield of the shares of the Company.

37. SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS TRANSACTIONS (continued)**(c) A-Share Option Scheme (continued)**

These fair values were calculated using the Black-Scholes Model. The inputs into the model were as follows:

	2022	2021
Share price (RMB)	27.01	26.02–29.4
Exercise price (RMB)	23.86	25.63
Expected volatility	36.77% to 40.16%	35.68% to 40.98%
Expected life	1–4 years	1–5 years
Risk-free rate	2% to 2.56%	2.3% to 2.74%
Expected dividend yield	1.7%	1.24%–1.41%

The above variables were determined as follows:

- (i) The expected volatility represents the annualised standard deviation of the return on the daily share price of the Company over the period commensurate to the expected life of the options (taking into account the remaining contractual life of the option and the effect of the expected early exercise of the option).
- (ii) The expected life is estimated to be 1 year to 4 years (2021: 1–5 years) after the end of the respective vesting period.
- (iii) The risk-free rate represents the yield of the China Government Bonds corresponding to the expected life of the option as at the measurement date.

The Black-Scholes Model applied for the determination of the estimated value of the options granted under 2022 A Share Option Incentive Scheme requires inputs of highly subjective assumptions, including the expected stock volatility. As the Company's share options have characteristics significantly different from those of traded options, changes in subjective inputs may materially affect the estimated fair value of the options granted.

The Group recognises the fair value of share options as an expense in the income statement over the vesting period, or as an asset, if the cost qualifies for recognition as an asset. The fair value of the share options is measured at the date of grant. The Group recognised a total expense of RMB315 million (2021: RMB36 million) for the year ended 31 December 2022 in relation to share options granted by the Company.

38. RESERVES

Reserves

The amounts of the Group's reserves and the movements therein for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity of the consolidated financial statements.

- (i) According to the relevant rules and regulations in the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), subsidiaries of the Company established in the PRC are required to transfer 10% of their net profit, as determined in accordance with the PRC accounting standards and regulations, to the reserve fund until the balance of the reserve reaches 50% of their respective registered capital. The transfer to this reserve must be made before distribution of dividends to owners of these subsidiaries. Reserve fund can be used to set off previous years' losses, if any, and may be converted into capital in proportion to existing equity owners' equity percentage, provided that the balance after such issuance is not less than 25% of their registered capital.
- (ii) Convertible bond reserve represent the value of the unexercised equity component of convertible bond issued by the Company recognised in accordance with the accounting policy adopted for convertible bond. If the convertible bond are not converted at the maturity date, the convertible bond reserves will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss.
- (iii) Exchange differences on translation of financial statements reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of the financial statement of operations.
- (iv) The cash flow hedges reserve represent the cumulative amount of gains and losses on hedging instruments deemed effective in cash flow hedges. The cumulative deferred gain or loss on the hedging instrument is recognised in profit or loss only when the hedged transaction impacts the profit or loss, or is included directly in the initial cost or other carrying amount of the hedged non-financial items (basis adjustment).
- (v) Fair value reserve comprises the cumulative net change in the fair value of equity investments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVTOCI") under IFRS 9 that are held at the end of the reporting period.
- (vi) Treasury shares reserve comprises the value of those ordinary shares repurchased and cancelled.

39. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(a) Major non-cash transactions

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group had non-cash additions to right-of-use assets of approximately RMB2,203 million (2021: RMB863 million (restated)) and lease liabilities of approximately RMB1,853 million (2021: RMB752 million (restated)), in respect of lease arrangements for land and building, machinery and equipment, motor vehicles and furniture, fixtures and equipment.

39. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

(b) Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities

	Other payables and accruals in relation to financing activities RMB'M	Interest- bearing borrowings RMB'M	Lease liabilities RMB'M	Convertible bond RMB'M	Bond RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	127	24,501	2,744	6,714	5,535
Changes from financing cash flows	(3,975)	(1,997)	(770)	—	(5,542)
Foreign exchange movement	(46)	(1,461)	(102)	(61)	—
New leases	—	—	752	—	—
Early Termination	—	—	(88)	—	—
Interest paid and payable	542	—	113	50	7
Conversion of convertible bond	—	—	—	(6,368)	—
Dividends payable to the shareholders	3,411	—	—	—	—
Dividends payable to non-controlling interests	63	—	—	—	—
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	122	21,043	2,649	335	—
Changes from financing cash flows	(5,135)	3,677	(959)	—	—
Foreign exchange movement	(47)	1,392	165	25	—
New leases	—	—	1,853	—	—
Early Termination	—	—	(77)	—	—
Interest paid and payable	881	—	97	6	—
Redemption of bond	—	—	—	(5)	—
Disposal of subsidiaries	—	—	(1)	—	—
Conversion of convertible bond	—	—	—	(361)	—
Dividends payable to the shareholders	4,297	—	—	—	—
Dividends payable to non-controlling interests	19	—	—	—	—
As at 31 December 2022	137	26,112	3,727	—	—

39. NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)

(c) Total cash outflow for leases

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Within operating activities	(357)	(561)
Within financing activities	(959)	(769)
	(1,316)	(1,330)

40. FINANCIAL LIABILITIES MEASURED AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Foreign currency forward contracts	—	6

41. CONVERTIBLE BOND

On 21 November 2017, Harvest International Company (the “**Issuer**”), an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, issued the HK\$8,000 million Zero Coupon Guaranteed Exchangeable Bonds due on 21 November 2022 (the “**HSH Exchangeable Bonds**”). The holders of the HSH Exchangeable Bonds (the “**Bondholders**”) entitled to exchange their HSH Exchangeable Bonds into shares of Haier Electronics Group Co. Ltd (the “**HEG**”) during the period specified under the terms and conditions of the HSH Exchangeable Bonds (the “**HSH Exchangeable Bonds Terms and Conditions**”). In connection with the privatization of HEG, to provide Bondholders with an alternative investment option in their HSH Exchangeable Bonds outside the various options available under the HSH Exchangeable Bonds Terms and Conditions, the Company proposed to amend the HSH Exchangeable Bonds Terms and Conditions, such that, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent, after listing of the H shares of the Company, the HSH Exchangeable Bonds were not exchangeable into the HEG Shares but instead be convertible into the H Shares of the Company (the “**EB-to-CB Proposal**”). The HSH Exchangeable Bonds with such amended terms and conditions (the “**HSH Convertible Bonds Terms and Conditions**”) were hereafter referred to as the HSH Convertible Bonds (the “**CB**”). The EB-to-CB Proposal became effective upon listing of H Shares of the Company on 23 December 2021 and HK\$7,993 million in aggregate principal amount of the CB was outstanding initially. One-time repayment of principal and interest (105.11% on remaining par value) will be made upon maturity.

The CB entitled the holders to convert them into ordinary shares of the Company at any time between the date of issue of the notes and their settlement date in November 2022 at a conversion price of HK\$18.2 per CB.

41. CONVERTIBLE BOND (continued)

The movement of the liability component of CB is as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	335	6,714
Conversion (Note 36(b) and (d))	(361)	(6,368)
Interest expense	6	50
Redemption of CB	(5)	—
Exchange realignment	25	(61)
As at 31 December	—	335

42. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group manages its capital to ensure that entities in the Group will be able to continue as a going concern while maximising the return to shareholders through the optimisation of the debt and equity balance. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from prior year.

The capital structure of the Group consists of net debt, which includes the interest-bearing borrowings, lease liabilities and CB disclosed in notes 32, 16(b) and 41 respectively, net assets of the Group, comprising issued share capital, retained profits and other reserves.

The gearing ratio at the end of the reporting period was as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M (Restated)
Debt (i)	29,839	24,027
Equity (ii)	94,714	81,275
Net debt to equity ratio	31.5%	29.6%

(i) Debt is defined as long and short-term interest-bearing borrowings, lease liabilities and CB as detailed in notes 32, 16(b) and 41.

(ii) Equity includes all capital and reserves of the Group.

43. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

The carrying amounts of each of the categories of financial instruments are as follows:

Financial assets

31 December 2022

	Financial assets measured at FVTPL RMB'M	Financial assets measured at FVTOCI RMB'M	Derivative designated as hedges RMB'M	Financial assets measured at amortised cost RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	—	5,852	—	—	5,852
Trade and bills receivables	—	—	—	25,494	25,494
Financial assets included in deposit and other receivables	—	—	—	4,787	4,787
Financial assets measured at FVTPL	520	—	—	—	520
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	—	—	—	2,981	2,981
Derivative financial instruments	—	—	183	—	183
Pledged deposits	—	—	—	665	665
Other deposits with limited use	—	—	—	105	105
Cash and cash equivalents	—	—	—	53,369	53,369
	520	5,852	183	87,401	93,956

31 December 2021 (Restated)

	Financial assets measured at FVTPL RMB'M	Financial assets measured at FVTOCI RMB'M	Derivative designated as hedges RMB'M	Financial assets measured at amortised cost RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	—	4,852	—	—	4,852
Trade and bills receivables	—	—	—	27,980	27,980
Financial assets included in deposit and other receivables	—	—	—	4,898	4,898
Financial assets measured at FVTPL	2,786	—	—	—	2,786
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	—	—	—	626	626
Derivative financial instruments	47	—	80	—	127
Pledged deposits	—	—	—	755	755
Other deposits with limited use	—	—	—	145	145
Cash and cash equivalents	—	—	—	45,198	45,198
	2,833	4,852	80	79,602	87,367

43. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (continued)**Financial liabilities****31 December 2022**

	Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL RMB'M	Derivative designated as hedges RMB'M	Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Trade and bills payables	—	—	66,975	66,975
Financial liabilities included other payables and accruals	—	—	22,340	22,340
Derivative financial instruments	17	105	—	122
Interest-bearing borrowings	—	—	26,112	26,112
Other non-current liabilities	—	—	98	98
Lease liabilities	—	—	3,727	3,727
	17	105	119,252	119,374

31 December 2021 (Restated)

	Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL RMB'M	Derivative designated as hedges RMB'M	Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Trade and bills payables	—	—	67,386	67,386
Financial liabilities included other payables and accruals	—	—	22,494	22,494
Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL	6	—	—	6
Derivative financial instruments	—	80	—	80
Interest-bearing borrowings	—	—	21,043	21,043
CB	—	—	335	335
Other non-current liabilities	—	—	112	112
Lease liabilities	—	—	2,649	2,649
	6	80	114,019	114,105

44. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The management estimates that the amount of financial instruments carried at amortised cost approximates its fair value.

The management has assessed that the fair values of cash and cash equivalents, pledged deposits, other deposits with limited use, certain other financial assets measured at amortised cost, trade and bills receivables, other receivables, trade and bills payables and other payables approximate to their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

The Group's management is responsible for determining the policies and procedures for the fair value measurement of financial instruments. As at each reporting date, management analyses the movements in the values of financial instruments and determines the major inputs applied in the valuation. The valuation process and results are discussed with the those charged with governance twice a year for interim and annual financial reporting.

The fair values of the financial assets and liabilities are included at the amount at which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties, other than in a forced or liquidation sale. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

- (a) The fair values of unlisted equity investments designated at FVTOCI have been estimated using a market-based valuation technique based on assumptions that are not supported by observable market prices or rates. The valuation requires management to determine comparable public companies (peers) based on industry and place of business, and to calculate an appropriate price multiple, such as price to earnings ("**P/E**") multiple, and EV/Sales multiple for each comparable company identified. The multiple is calculated by dividing the enterprise value of the comparable company by an earnings measure. The trading multiple is then discounted for considerations such as illiquidity and size differences between the comparable companies based on company-specific facts and circumstances. The discounted multiple is applied to the corresponding earnings measure of the unlisted equity investments to measure the fair value. Management believes that the estimated fair values resulting from the valuation technique, which are recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position, and the related changes in fair values, which are recorded in other comprehensive income, are reasonable, and that they were the most appropriate values at the end of the reporting period. The fair values of the remaining unlisted equity investments designated at FVTOCI are determined with reference to their respective latest available transaction prices.

44. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

- (b) The fair values of unlisted equity investments which was designated at FVTPL, have been estimated using a market-based valuation technique based on assumptions that are not supported by observable market prices or rates. The valuation requires management to determine comparable public companies (peers) based on industry and place of business, and to calculate an appropriate price multiple, for each comparable company identified. The multiple is calculated by dividing the enterprise value of the comparable company by an earnings measure. The trading multiple is then discounted for considerations such as illiquidity and size differences between the comparable companies based on company-specific facts and circumstances. The discounted multiple is applied to the corresponding earnings measure of the unlisted equity investments to measure the fair value. Management believes that the estimated fair values resulting from the valuation technique, which are recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position, and the related changes in fair values, which are recorded in profit or loss, are reasonable, and that they were the most appropriate values at the end of the reporting period.

The Group invests in unlisted investments, which represent equity investments designated at FVTOCI and wealth management products included in financial assets measured at FVTPL issued by banks in Mainland China. The Group has estimated the fair value of these unlisted investments by using a discounted cash flow valuation model based on the market interest rates of instruments with similar terms and risks.

The fair values of bills receivable and interest-bearing borrowings have been calculated by discounting the expected future cash flows using rates currently available for instruments with similar terms, credit risk and remaining maturities. The Group's own non-performance risk for interest-bearing borrowings was assessed to be insignificant. The carrying amount of the financial instrument reasonably approximate to fair value.

Below is a summary of significant unobservable inputs (level 3 inputs of fair value measurement) to the valuation of financial instruments together with a quantitative sensitivity analysis as at 31 December 2022 and 2021.

44. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

The following tables illustrate the fair value measurement hierarchy of the Group's financial instruments:

Assets measured at fair value

31 December 2022

	Level 1 RMB'M	Level 2 RMB'M	Level 3 RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	16	1,028	4,808	5,852
Financial assets measured at FVTPL	396	15	109	520
Derivative financial instruments	—	183	—	183
	412	1,226	4,917	6,555

31 December 2021 (Restated)

	Level 1 RMB'M	Level 2 RMB'M	Level 3 RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	21	2,812	2,019	4,852
Financial assets measured at FVTPL	375	2,305	106	2,786
Derivative financial instruments	—	80	47	127
	396	5,197	2,172	7,765

44. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Liabilities measured at fair value

31 December 2022

	Level 1 RMB'M	Level 2 RMB'M	Level 3 RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Derivative financial instruments	—	105	17	122

31 December 2021

	Level 1 RMB'M	Level 2 RMB'M	Level 3 RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL	—	6	—	6
Derivative financial instruments	—	80	—	80
	—	86	—	86

Financial assets	Fair value as at 31/12/2022	Fair value as at 31/12/2021	Fair value hierarchy	Valuation technique	Range	Significant unobservable input(s)	Sensitivity of fair value
Equity Investment designated at FVTOCI-SINOPEC Fuel Oil Sales Corporation Limited	RMB1,235 million	RMB1,290 million	Level 3	Market approach	2022: 32.38-33.04 2021: 27.43-29.43	Average P/E multiple of peers	1% increase (decrease) in average P/E multiple of the comparable companies would result in increase (decrease) in fair value by 2022: RMB12.3 million (RMB12.3 million) 2021: RMB45.3 million (RMB45.3 million)
					2022: 28%-30% 2021: 31%-33%	Discount for lack of marketability	1% increase (decrease) in the lack of marketability would result in (decrease)/increase in fair value by 2022: (RMB17.4 million) RMB17.4 million 2021: (RMB18.9 million) RMB18.9 million
Equity Investment designated at FVTOCI- COSMO	RMB2,817 million	N/A	Level 3	Market approach	2022: 1.46-1.48	EV/Sales multiple of peers	1% increase (decrease) in EV/Sales multiple of the comparable companies would result in increase (decrease) in fair value by 2022: RMB116 million (RMB116 million)
					2022: 19%-21%	Discount for lack of marketability	1% increase (decrease) in the lack of marketability would result in (decrease)/increase in fair value by 2022: (RMB146 million) RMB146 million

44. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Fair value Financial assets/ Financial liabilities	Fair value as at 31/12/2022	Fair value as at 31/12/2021	Value hierarchy	Valuation technique
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	Assets – RMB1,028 million	Assets – RMB2,812 million	Level 2	Recent market an equity financing transaction with independent parties
Financial assets measured at FVTPL – Foreign currency forward contract	N/A	Assets – RMB136 million Liabilities – RMB6 million	Level 2	Discounted cash flow
Financial assets measured at FVTPL – Wealth management products	Assets – RMB15 million	Assets – RMB2,169 million	Level 2	Discounted cash flow
Derivative financial instruments – Foreign currency forward contracts	Assets – RMB179 million Liabilities – RMB93 million	Assets – RMB73 million Liabilities – RMB60 million	Level 2	Discounted cash flow
Derivative financial instruments – Forwards commodity contract	Assets – RMB4 million Liabilities – RMB12 million	Assets – RMB7 million	Level 2	Discounted cash flow
Derivative financial instruments – Interest rate swaps	N/A	Liabilities – RMB20 million	Level 2	Discounted cash flows
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI – Listed entity	Assets – RMB16 million	Assets – RMB21 million	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market.
Financial assets measured at FVTPL – Investment fund	Assets – RMB396 million	Assets – RMB375 million	Level 1	Quoted bid prices in an active market.

44. FAIR VALUE AND FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Reconciliation of Level 3 fair value measurements

	Equity investments designated at FVTOCI RMB'000	Financial assets measured at FVTPL RMB'000	Derivative financial instruments RMB'000	Total RMB'000
At 1 January 2021	2,643	84	—	2,727
Total gains or losses:				
— in profit or loss	—	22	—	22
— in other comprehensive income	56	—	—	56
Transfers out of level 3 (Note 1)	(1,397)	—	—	(1,397)
Transfers into level 3	—	—	47	47
Additions	717	—	—	717
At 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022 (Restated)	2,019	106	47	2,172
Total gains or losses:				
— in profit or loss	—	3	(17)	(14)
— in other comprehensive income	(146)	—	—	(146)
Transfers out of level 3	—	—	(47)	(47)
Transfers into level 3 (Note 2)	2,812	—	—	2,812
Additions	123	—	—	123
At 31 December 2022	4,808	109	(17)	4,900

Note 1: During the year ended 31 December 2021, COSMO entered into a capital injection agreement with independent third parties to increase share capital of the equity investment designated at FVTOCI at a total consideration of approximately RMB1,175 million. The fair value of this equity investment designated at FVTOCI was determined based on the quoted price of new value of consideration per share and was classified as Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy

Note 2: During the year ended 31 December 2022, COSMO is classified as equity investment designated at FVTOCI and is measured at fair value at each reporting date. The fair value of the investment as at 31 December 2022 was measured using a valuation technique with significant unobservable inputs and hence was classified as Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy.

45. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Group has various other financial assets and liabilities such as trade and bills receivables and trade and bills payables, which arise directly from its operations.

The main risks arising from the Group's financial instruments are foreign currency risk, credit risk and liquidity risk. The board of directors reviews and agrees policies for managing each of these risks and they are summarised below.

Foreign currency risk

The Group has transactional currency exposures. These exposures mainly arise from sales or purchases and borrowings by the Group's other than the units' functional currencies.

The following table demonstrates the sensitivity at the end of the reporting period to a reasonably possible change in USD and EUR exchange rate, with all other variables held constant, of the Group's post-tax profit (due to changes in the fair value of monetary assets and liabilities). There is no significant impact on other components of the Group's equity.

	2022		2021	
	Increase/ (decrease) in exchange rates %	Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax RMB'M	Increase/ (decrease) in exchange rates %	Increase/ (decrease) in profit before tax RMB'M
If RMB strengthens against USD	5	484	5	598
If RMB weakens against USD	(5)	(484)	(5)	(598)
If RMB strengthens against EUR	5	505	5	417
If RMB weakens against EUR	(5)	(505)	(5)	(417)

45. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)**Foreign currency risk (continued)**

The carrying amounts of the Group's foreign currency denominated monetary assets and monetary liabilities at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	Monetary Assets		Monetary Liabilities	
	31 Dec 2022 RMB'M	31 Dec 2021 RMB'M	31 Dec 2022 RMB'M	31 Dec 2021 RMB'M
USD	14,358	10,022	24,534	22,588
Japanese yen	371	808	508	869
HKD	578	395	2,323	2,126
EUR	3,924	4,063	14,535	12,824
Other	6,279	6,624	4,614	5,918

Credit risk

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, pledged deposits, trade and bills receivables, other deposits with limited use, and financial assets included in deposits and other receivables and other financial assets represent the Group's maximum exposure to credit risk in relation to financial assets. Substantially all of the Group's cash and cash equivalents and pledged deposits are held in major financial institutions, which management believes are of high credit quality and all classified as low credit risk from the management's assessment as at 31 December 2022 and 2021, which is mainly based on past due information unless other information is available without undue cost or effort. The Group has policies to control the size of the deposits to be placed with various reputable financial institutions according to their market reputation, operating scale and financial background with a view to limiting the amount of credit exposure to any single financial institution.

The Group trades only with recognised and creditworthy third parties and Haier Affiliates. It is the Group's policy that all customers who wish to trade on credit terms are subject to credit verification procedures. In addition, trade receivable balances are monitored on an ongoing basis and the Group's exposure to bad debts is not significant. Concentrations of credit risk are managed by customer/counterparty. There are no significant concentrations of credit risk within the Group as the customer bases of the Group's trade receivables are widely dispersed in different sectors.

The credit risk of the Group's trade and bills receivables arises from default of the counterparty, with a maximum exposure equal to the carrying amounts and the Group applies the simplified approach in calculating ECLs of its trade and bills receivables.

Further quantitative data in respect of the Group's exposure to credit risk arising from trade and bills receivables and other receivables are respectively disclosed in notes 25 and 26 to consolidated financial statements.

45. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)**Interest rate risk**

The Group is exposed to fair value interest rate risk in relation to pledged bank deposits, fixed-rate bank borrowings and lease liabilities. The Group is also exposed to cash flow interest rate risk in relation to variable-rate bank borrowings. The Group cash flow interest rate risk is mainly concentrated on the fluctuation of interest rates on bank balances and borrowings. The Group aims at keeping borrowings at variable rates. The Group manages its interest rate exposures by assessing the potential impact arising from any interest rate movements based on interest rate level and outlook. The management will review the proportion of borrowings in fixed and floating rates and ensure they are within reasonable range.

Sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on the exposure to interest rates at the end of the reporting period. The analysis is prepared assuming the financial instruments outstanding at the end of the reporting period were outstanding for the whole year. The management assessed that if the interest rate increases/decreases by 1% (2021: 1%) (reasonably possible change), then the post-tax profit for the year ended 31 December 2022 would decrease/increase by RMB200 million (2021: 132 million). Bank balances are excluded from sensitivity analysis as the management considers that the exposure of cash flow interest rate risk arising from bank balances is insignificant.

The exposure of the Group's borrowings to interest rate changes at the end of the reporting period are as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	% of total loans	2021 RMB'M	% of total loans
Variable rate borrowings	24,038	92%	15,688	75%
Fixed rate borrowings	2,074	8%	5,355	25%
	26,112	100%	21,043	100%

Liquidity risk

In the management of the liquidity risk, the Group monitors and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by the management to finance the Group's operations and mitigate the effects of fluctuations in cash flows. The management of the Group monitors the utilisation of bank borrowings and ensures compliance with loan covenants.

As at 31 December 2022, the Group has available unutilised overdraft and short-term bank loan facilities of RMB103,803 million (2021: RMB91,563 million) in total. Details of which are set out in Note 32.

45. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES (continued)**Liquidity risk (continued)**

The following table details the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its financial liabilities and derivative instruments. The table has been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay. Specifically, bank loans with a repayment on demand clause are included in the earliest time band regardless of the probability of the banks choosing to exercise their rights. The maturity dates for other non-derivative financial liabilities are based on the agreed repayment dates.

31 December 2022

	No fixed terms of repayment RMB'M	Within one year RMB'M	Over one year RMB'M	Total undiscounted cash flows RMB'M	Carrying amount RMB'M
Trade and bills payables	—	66,975	—	66,975	66,975
Other payables and accruals	24,709	—	—	24,709	24,709
Interest-bearing borrowings	—	13,251	14,508	27,759	26,112
Derivative financial instruments	—	105	17	122	122
Other non-current liabilities	—	—	98	98	98
Lease liabilities	—	1,023	3,066	4,089	3,727
	24,709	81,354	17,689	123,752	121,743

31 December 2021 (Restated)

	No fixed terms of repayment RMB'M	Within one year RMB'M	Over one year RMB'M	Total undiscounted cash flows RMB'M	Carrying amount RMB'M
Trade and bills payables	—	67,386	—	67,386	67,386
Other payables and accruals	25,362	—	—	25,362	25,362
Interest-bearing borrowings	—	18,120	3,125	21,245	21,043
Financial liabilities measured at FVTPL	—	6	—	6	6
Derivative financial instruments	—	80	—	80	80
CB	—	362	—	362	335
Other non-current liabilities	—	—	112	112	112
Lease liabilities	—	726	2,275	3,001	2,649
	25,362	86,680	5,512	117,554	116,973

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS

The Group sponsors a funded defined benefit plan for qualifying employees of its subsidiaries in the United States and Japan. The defined benefit plan is administered by a separate fund that is legally separated from the entity. The board of the pension fund is composed of an equal number of representatives from both employers and (former) employees. The board of the pension fund is required by law and by its articles of association to act in the interest of the fund and of all relevant stakeholders in the scheme, i.e. active employees, inactive employees, retirees, employers. The board of the pension fund is responsible for the investment policy with regard to the assets of the fund.

The defined benefit plan requires contributions from employees. Contributions are in the following two forms; one is based on the number of years of service and the other one is based on a fixed percentage of salary of the employees. Employees can also make discretionary contributions to the plan.

The plans expose the Group to actuarial risks such as investment risk, interest rate risk, longevity risk and salary risk.

Investment risk	The present value of the defined benefit plan liability is calculated using a discount rate determined by reference to high quality corporate bond yields; if the return on plan asset is below this rate, it will create a plan deficit. Currently the plan has a relatively balanced investment in equity securities and debt instruments. Due to the long-term nature of the plan liabilities, the board of the pension fund considers it appropriate that a reasonable portion of the plan assets should be invested in equity securities and in real estate to leverage the return generated by the fund.
Interest rate risk	A decrease in the bond interest rate will increase the plan liability; however, this will be partially offset by an increase in the return on the plan's debt investments.
Longevity risk	The present value of the defined benefit plan liability is calculated by reference to the best estimate of the mortality of plan participants both during and after their employment. An increase in the life expectancy of the plan participants will increase the plan's liability.
Salary risk	The present value of the defined benefit plan liability is calculated by reference to the future salaries of plan participants. As such, an increase in the salary of the plan participants will increase the plan's liability.

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)

	2022			2021		
	Current RMB'M	Non- current RMB'M	Total RMB'M	Current RMB'M	Non- current RMB'M	Total RMB'M
Defined pension benefit (Note (a))	36	417	453	33	517	550
Termination benefits	—	387	387	—	453	453
Provision for work-related injury compensation	—	207	207	—	203	203
Total	36	1,011	1,047	33	1,173	1,206

Note:

(a) Defined pension benefit

The Group's major defined benefit plans are in Japan and the United States. The plans are either contributory final salary pension plans, contributory career average pay plans or non-contributory guaranteed return defined contribution plans.

Summary of the (net assets)/net liabilities of the defined pension obligations are as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Haier Asia Co., Ltd. pension plans	(40)	(58)
Roper Corporation pension plans	124	129
Haier U.S. Appliances Solutions, Inc. post retirement plan	195	222
Haier U.S. Appliances Solutions, Inc. pension plans	35	40
Total net liabilities of the defined pension obligations in the United States and Japan	314	333
Others	140	217
	454	550

The summary (net assets)/net liabilities of the defined pension obligations in the United States and Japan are as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
Presents value of defined benefit obligation	699	796
Fair value of plan assets	(385)	(463)
	314	333

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)

The major amounts recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position and the movements in the net defined pension benefit over the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

(1) Haier Asia Co., Ltd pension plan

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Discount rates	0.50%	0.50%
Compensation increases	2.00%	2.00%

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligations during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	279	324
Current service cost	8	9
Interest cost	1	1
Actuarial gains	(2)	—
Exchange realignment	(16)	(40)
Benefits paid	(17)	(15)
As at 31 December	253	279

Movements in the fair value of the plan assets during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	337	370
Interest income	6	7
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest expense)	(24)	11
Contributions from the employer	2	3
Exchange realignment	(19)	(46)
Benefits paid	(9)	(8)
As at 31 December	293	337

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)**(1) Haier Asia Co., Ltd pension plan (continued)**

The (net assets)/net liabilities of the defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	(58)	(46)
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in profit or loss	3	3
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in other comprehensive income	22	(11)
Other reconciling items	(7)	(4)
As at 31 December	(40)	(58)

The Group operated the pension plan in the Japan. The most recent actuarial valuations of plan assets and the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out at 31 December 2022 by Mr Tohru Shimada, Fellow of Institute of Actuaries of Japan and Sumitomo Life. The present value of the defined benefit obligation, and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using the benefit approach method. As at 31 December 2022, the actuarial value represented a funding level of 115.8% (2021: 120.8%) of the pension plan.

Significant actuarial assumption for the determination of the defined benefit obligation is discount rate. The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on reasonably possible changes of the respective assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period, while holding all other assumptions constant.

- If the discount rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would decrease by 12% or increase by 12% (2021: decrease by 11% or increase by 11%).

Furthermore, in presenting the above sensitivity analysis, the present value of the defined benefit obligation has been calculated using the benefit approach method at the end of the reporting period, which is the same as that applied in calculating the defined benefit obligation liability recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position.

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)**(2) Roper Corporation pension plan**

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Discount rates	5.59%	2.91%
Initial Trend Rate	6.50%	6.50%
Ultimate Trend Rate	5.00%	5.00%

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligations during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	129	151
Current service cost	7	6
Interest cost	4	3
Actuarial gains	(30)	(12)
Plan amendment	10	—
Exchange realignment	11	(11)
Benefits paid	(7)	(8)
As at 31 December	124	129

The (net assets)/net liabilities of the defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	129	151
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in profit or loss	11	9
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in other comprehensive income	(30)	(12)
Other reconciling items	14	(19)
As at 31 December	124	129

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)

(2) Roper Corporation pension plan (continued)

The Group operated the pension plan in the United States and the employee retired after attainment of age 60 with 10 years of service eligible to participate the plan and applicable of benefit for Medicare. The most recent actuarial valuations of the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out at 31 December 2022 by John F. Stahl, a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries, and Mark A. Adams, a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and an Enrolled Actuary of Willis Towers Watson. The present value of the defined benefit obligation, and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using the projected unit credit cost method.

Significant actuarial assumptions for the determination of the defined benefit obligation are discount rate, initial trend rate and ultimate trend rate. The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on reasonably possible changes of the respective assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period, while holding all other assumptions constant.

- If the discount rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would decrease by 7.9% or increase by 9.2% (2021: decrease by 9.8% or increase by 11.9%).
- If the initial trend rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would increase by 4.1% or decrease by 3.9% (2021: increase by 4.3% or decrease by 4.1%).
- If the ultimate trend rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would increase by 1.5% or decrease by 1.3% (2021: increase by 6.0% or decrease by 5.2%).

Furthermore, in presenting the above sensitivity analysis, the present value of the defined benefit obligation has been calculated using the projected unit credit cost method at the end of the reporting period, which is the same as that applied in calculating the defined benefit obligation liability recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position.

(3) Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc. post retirement plan

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Discount rates	5.51%	2.62%
Current Health Care Cost Trend Rate	7.00%	6.25%
Ultimate Health Care Cost Trend Rate	5.25%	5.00%

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)**(3) Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc. post retirement plan (continued)**

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligations during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	222	293
Interest cost	5	5
Actuarial gains	(24)	(30)
Exchange realignment	19	(21)
Benefits paid	(27)	(25)
As at 31 December	195	222

The (net assets)/net liabilities of the defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	222	293
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in profit or loss	5	5
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in other comprehensive income	(24)	(30)
Other reconciling items	(8)	(46)
As at 31 December	195	222

The Group operated the pension plan in the United States and the employee retired after attainment of age 60 with 10 years of service eligible to participate the plan. The most recent actuarial valuations of the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out at 31 December 2022 by Jason Wilhite, a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and an Enrolled Actuary, a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and an Enrolled Actuary of Willis Towers Watson. The present value of the defined benefit obligation, and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using the projected unit credit cost method.

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)**(3) Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc. post retirement plan (continued)**

Significant actuarial assumptions for the determination of the defined benefit obligation are discount rate, current health care cost trend rate and ultimate health care trend rate. The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on reasonably possible changes of the respective assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period, while holding all other assumptions constant.

- If the discount rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would decrease by 5.2% or increase by 5.8% (2021: decrease by 6.6% or increase by 7.8%).
- If the current health care cost trend rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would increase by 3.5% or decrease by 3.3% (2021: increase by 3.9% or decrease by 3.7%).
- If the ultimate health care cost trend rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would increase by 0.2% or decrease by 0.2% (2021: increase by 0.8% decrease by 0.8%).

Furthermore, in presenting the above sensitivity analysis, the present value of the defined benefit obligation has been calculated using the projected unit credit cost method at the end of the reporting period, which is the same as that applied in calculating the defined benefit obligation liability recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position.

(4) Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc. pension plan

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Discount rates	5.51%	2.61%

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligations during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	166	224
Interest cost	4	4
Actuarial gains	(23)	(7)
Exchange realignment	14	(17)
Benefits paid	(34)	(38)
As at 31 December	127	166

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)**(4) Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc. pension plan (continued)**

Movements in the fair value of the plan assets during the years ended 31 December 2022 and 2021 were as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	126	160
Return on plan assets (excluding amounts included in net interest expense)	(11)	1
Contributions from the employer	3	14
Exchange realignment	10	(11)
Benefits paid	(36)	(38)
As at 31 December	92	126

The (net assets)/net liabilities of the defined benefit obligations are as follows.

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
As at 1 January	40	64
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in profit or loss	4	4
Components of defined benefit cost recognised in other comprehensive income	(12)	(8)
Other reconciling items	3	(20)
As at 31 December	35	40

The Group operated the pension plan in the United States and the plan allowed employees' retirement prior to age 60 who eligible to participate the plan. The most recent actuarial valuations of plan assets and the present value of the defined benefit obligation were carried out at 31 December 2022 by Jason Wilhite, a Fellow of the Society of Actuaries and an Enrolled Actuary of Willis Towers Watson. The present value of the defined benefit obligation, and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using projected unit credit cost method. As at 31 December 2022, the actuarial value represented a funding level of 72.5% (2021: 75.7%) of the pension plan.

46. DEFINED BENEFIT OBLIGATIONS (continued)**(4) Haier U.S. Appliance Solutions, Inc. pension plan (continued)**

Significant actuarial assumption for the determination of the defined benefit obligation is discount rate. The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on reasonably possible changes of the respective assumptions occurring at the end of the reporting period, while holding all other assumptions constant.

- If the discount rate is 1% higher or lower, the defined benefit obligation would decrease by 4.5% or increase by 5.1% (2021: decrease by 5.6% or increase by 6.6%).

Furthermore, in presenting the above sensitivity analysis, the present value of the defined benefit obligation has been calculated using the projected unit credit cost method at the end of the reporting period, which is the same as that applied in calculating the defined benefit obligation liability recognised in the consolidated statement of financial position.

47. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

At the end of the reporting period, the Group did not have any significant contingent liabilities.

48. COMMITMENTS

The Group had the following capital commitments at the end of the reporting period:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Contracted, but not provided for:		
Property, plant and equipment	4,008	3,159

49. PLEDGE OF OR RESTRICTIONS ON ASSETS**Pledge of assets**

The Group's borrowings and bills payables had been secured by the pledge of the Group's assets and the carrying amounts of the respective assets are as follows:

	2022	2021
	RMB'M	RMB'M
Trade and bills receivables	10,661	14,441
Pledged bank deposits	665	755

50. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY

Information about the statement of financial position of the Company at the year ended are as follows:

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	170	197
Right-of-use assets	3	5
Other intangible assets	45	52
Interests in associates	3,119	3,143
Investments in subsidiaries	49,625	49,371
Equity investments designated at FVTOCI	1,619	1,615
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	1,034	—
Deferred tax assets	—	159
Other non-current assets	1,307	807
Total non-current assets	56,922	55,349
CURRENT ASSETS		
Inventories	9	1
Trade and bills receivables	1	1
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	64	23
Amount due from subsidiaries	15,239	17,064
Financial assets measured at amortised cost	1,643	317
Cash and cash equivalents	5,747	4,044
Total current assets	22,703	21,450
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and bills payables	17	17
Other payables and accruals	330	422
Amount due to subsidiaries	32,864	34,256
Contract liabilities	13	13
Lease liabilities	—	1
Total current liabilities	33,224	34,709
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES	(10,521)	(13,259)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	46,401	42,090

50. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE COMPANY (continued)

	2022 RMB'M	2021 RMB'M
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Interest-bearing borrowings	2,197	—
Deferred income	4	12
Deferred tax liabilities	421	449
Total non-current liabilities	2,622	461
Net assets	43,779	41,629
EQUITY		
Share capital (Note 36)	9,447	9,399
Reserves (Note)	34,332	32,230
Total equity	43,779	41,629

Note: A summary of the Company's reserves is as follows:

	Contributed surplus RMB'M	Capital reserve RMB'M	Reserve funds RMB'M	Retained profits RMB'M	Other comprehensive income RMB'M	Treasury share reserve RMB'M	Total reserve RMB'M
As at 1 January 2021	20,110	298	2,440	4,351	(10)	—	27,189
Issue of shares upon conversion of CB	5,965	245	—	—	—	—	6,210
Transfer to reserve fund	—	—	393	(393)	—	—	—
Total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	3,933	631	—	4,564
Purchase of treasury share	—	—	—	—	—	(2,321)	(2,321)
Business combination under common control	(18)	—	—	—	—	—	(18)
Cancellation of treasury share	(794)	—	—	—	—	826	32
Dividend payable	—	—	—	(3,421)	—	—	(3,421)
Other changes	—	(5)	—	—	—	—	(5)
As at 31 December 2021 and 1 January 2022	25,263	538	2,833	4,470	621	(1,495)	32,230
Issue of shares	899	—	—	—	—	—	899
Issue of shares upon conversion of CB	339	—	—	—	(19)	—	320
Transfer to reserve fund	—	—	576	(576)	—	—	—
Total comprehensive income for the year	—	—	—	5,755	—	—	5,755
Purchase of treasury share	—	—	—	—	—	(1,143)	(1,143)
Cancellation of treasury share	(315)	—	—	—	—	330	15
Dividend payable	—	—	—	(4,320)	—	—	(4,320)
Other changes	(27)	603	—	—	—	—	576
As at 31 December 2022	26,159	1,141	3,409	5,329	602	(2,308)	34,332

The Company's contributed surplus represents the excess of the fair value of the shares of the subsidiaries acquired, over the nominal value of the Company's shares issued.

51. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

52. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

According to the resolution of the 4th meeting of the 11th session of the Board of Directors of the Company held on 30 March 2023, the profit for the year is proposed to be distributed on the basis of the total number of shares on the record date after deducting the repurchased shares from the repurchased account when the plan is implemented in the future, the Company declared cash dividend of RMB5.66 (including taxes) for every 10 shares to all shareholders.

The Company has no other significant event after the reporting period that needs to be disclosed.

FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL SUMMARY

For the year ended 31 December 2022

A summary of the results and of the assets, liabilities and non-controlling interests of the Group is set out below.

	2022 RMB'M	Year ended 31 December			
		2021 RMB'M (Restated)	2020 RMB'M (Restated)	2019 RMB'M	2018 RMB'M (Restated)
RESULTS					
REVENUE	243,485	227,081	209,701	198,006	177,594
Cost of sales	(168,919)	(157,528)	(148,867)	(139,393)	(125,415)
Gross profit	74,566	69,553	60,834	58,613	52,179
Other gains or losses	2,912	2,059	3,994	3,324	2,389
Selling and distribution expenses	(38,598)	(36,584)	(33,641)	(33,843)	(29,076)
Administrative expenses	(21,677)	(20,265)	(17,924)	(17,165)	(14,029)
Finance costs	(995)	(714)	(1,321)	(1,732)	(1,464)
Share of profits and losses of associates	1,582	1,888	1,620	1,409	1,325
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	17,790	15,937	13,562	10,606	11,326
Income tax expenses	(3,058)	(2,705)	(2,333)	(1,584)	(1,793)
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	14,732	13,232	11,329	9,022	9,533
DISCONTINUED OPERATION					
Profit for the year from discontinued operation	—	—	—	3,313	367
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR	14,732	13,232	11,329	12,335	9,900
Attributable to:					
Owners of the Company	14,711	13,079	8,883	8,206	7,484
Non-controlling interests	21	153	2,446	4,129	2,416
	14,732	13,232	11,329	12,335	9,900
ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS					
TOTAL ASSETS	235,843	217,741	203,498	187,454	168,092
TOTAL LIABILITIES	(141,129)	(136,466)	(135,365)	(122,464)	(112,284)
NON-CONTROLLING INTERESTS	(1,291)	(1,290)	(1,295)	(17,103)	(16,066)
	93,423	79,985	66,838	47,887	39,742

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