

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024 GH¢'000	2023 GH¢'000
Interest income	105,464	94,695
Interest expense	(13,305)	(21,478)
Net interest income	92,159	73,217
Fees and commission income	8,784	12,234
Fees and commission expenses	(1,147)	(2,356)
Net fees and commission income	7,637	9,878
Net trading income	14,864	21,508
Other operating income	1,554	2,832
Net trading and other operating income	16,418	24,340
Operating income	116,214	107,435
Net impairment loss on financial instruments	(5,278)	(12,162)
Personnel expenses	(21,735)	(18,781)
Depreciation and amortisation	(4,625)	(4,642)
Operating expenses	(25,697)	(25,346)
Profit before income tax	58,879	46,504
Income tax expense	(21,304)	(19,317)
Profit for the period	37,575	27,187

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	2024 GH¢'000	2023 GH¢'000
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,380,922	1,039,445
Loans and advances to customers	901,912	1,112,771
Investment securities	681,462	1,312,965
Deferred income tax assets	51,223	42,848
Intangible assets	8,068	10,785
Other assets	118,486	144,023
Derivative financial instruments	-	292,460
Right-of-use asset	42,571	22,774
Property and equipment	62,021	54,643
Total assets	3,246,665	4,032,714
Liabilities		
Deposits from customers	2,262,958	2,271,981
Deposits from banks	-	52,560
Current income tax liabilities	8,958	21,908
Borrowings	13,187	839,869
Lease liabilities	36,721	28,992
Other liabilities	74,996	89,857
Total liabilities	2,396,820	3,305,167
Equity		
Stated capital	422,289	422,289
Retained earnings	120,014	61,609
Regulatory credit risk reserve	73,498	65,561
Statutory reserve	234,044	178,088
Total equity	849,845	727,547
Total liabilities and equity	3,246,665	4,032,714

1.0 Risk Management Disclosures

Taking risk is core in the business of Banking. In carrying out its core business, the Bank analyses, evaluates and assumes positions of taking calculated risks. The Bank's aim is therefore to achieve an appropriate balance between risk and return and minimize potential adverse effects on its financial performance. The most significant risks faced by the Bank include:

- ▶ Credit Risk
- ▶ Liquidity Risk and
- ▶ Market Risk (i.e. risks related to mainly currency trading and interest rate risk)

1.1 Risk Management Framework

The Board of Directors have overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Bank's risk management framework. The Board has established a Risk and Compliance Committee for the management of risk in the Bank. The arm of the committee within management is the Risk Management Department which assists it in the discharge of this responsibility. The Bank's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Bank; to set appropriate risk limits and controls; and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions, products and services offered.

Through the compliance department, the Bank ensures it complies with all prudential and regulatory guidelines in the pursuit of profitable Banking opportunities while avoiding excessive, unnecessary and uncontrollable risk exposures. Risk being an inherent feature in the business of the banking, various mitigating measures are put in place to better manage it.

All risk management policies are formulated at the board level through the Board Risk and Compliance Committee. The Bank, through its training and management standards and procedures, aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment, in which all employees appreciate their roles and obligations.

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	2024 GH¢'000	2023 GH¢'000
Cash flow from operating activities		
Profit before income tax	58,879	46,504
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortisation	4,625	4,642
Net impairment loss on financial instruments	5,278	12,162
Finance cost on lease liabilities	1,832	1,150
Exchange loss on lease liabilities	598	2,119
Operating cash flows before working capital changes	71,212	66,577
Changes in:		
Loans & advances	(36,492)	(64,093)
Investment securities	(15,280)	114,137
Other assets	12,364	(142,094)
Deposits from customers	(53,686)	233,494
Deposits from banks and other financial institutions	-	9,661
Borrowings	(4,869)	59,425
Other liabilities	1,718	52,965
Income tax paid	(8,990)	(5,500)
Net cash flows from/ (used in) operating activities	(34,022)	324,572
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property and equipment	(735)	(1,290)
Net cash flows used in investing activities	(735)	(1,290)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Payment for finance leases	-	(13,822)
Net cash flows used in financing activities	-	(13,822)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(34,757)	309,460
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	1,415,679	729,985
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 March	1,380,922	1,039,445

UNAUDITED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Stated Capital GH¢'000	Retained Earnings GH¢'000	Credit Risk Reserve GH¢'000	Statutory Reserve GH¢'000	Total GH¢'000
At 1 January 2024	422,289	88,003	67,934	234,044	812,270
Profit for the period	-	37,575	-	-	37,575
Total comprehensive income	422,289	125,579	67,934	234,044	849,845
Transfer to credit reserve	-	(5,564)	5,564	-	-
At 31 March 2024	422,289	120,014	73,498	234,044	849,845
	Stated capital GH¢'000	Retained Earnings GH¢'000	Credit Risk Reserve GH¢'000	Statutory Reserve GH¢'000	Total GH¢'000
At 1 January 2023	422,289	28,286	71,698	178,088	700,360
Profit for the period	-	27,187	-	-	27,187
Total comprehensive income	422,289	55,473	71,698	178,088	727,547
Transfer from credit reserve	-	6,136	(6,136)	-	-
At 31 March 2023	422,289	61,609	65,561	178,088	727,547

1.2 Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures

Quantitative disclosures	2024	2023
Capital Adequacy Ratio	28.85%	25.23%
Non-Performing Loan Ratio	19.94%	14.85%
Liquid Ratio	142.79%	148.50%
Contingent Liabilities (GH¢'000)	755,420	632,103

Compliance with statutory requirement

	2024	2023
Default in Statutory Liquidity	Nil	Nil
Default in Statutory Liquidity Sanctions (GH¢'000)	Nil	Nil
Other Regulatory Penalties (GH¢'000)	Nil	39

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by:

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Managing Director

Francis Kalitsi
Chairman