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Company registration number
RC 1193879

Board of Directors

Abdulsamad Rabi'u CON	Nigerian	Chairman	
Yusuf Haliru Binji	Nigerian	Managing Director	
Kabiru Rabi'u	Nigerian	Non-Executive Director	
Chimaobi Madukwe	Nigerian	Non-Executive Director	
Finn Arnoldsén	Norwegian	Non-Executive Director	
Shehu Abubakar	Nigerian	Independent Non-Executive Director	
Khairat A. Gwadabe	Nigerian	Independent Non-Executive Director	
Jacques Piekarski	Swiss	Executive Director	(Appointed - 2 October 2020)

Company secretary

Ahmed Aliyu
32 Churchgate Street
Victoria Island
Lagos

Registered office

32 Churchgate Street
Victoria Island
Lagos

Plant locations

Km 164 Benin-Okene Expressway
Okpella
Edo State

Km 10 Kalambaina Road
Sokoto State

Independent auditor

PricewaterhouseCoopers
Landmark Towers
5B Water Corporation Road
Victoria Island
Lagos

Principal bankers

Ecobank Nigeria Limited	Stanbic IBTC Plc
First Bank of Nigeria Limited	Fidelity Bank Plc
Guaranty Trust Bank Plc	Nova Merchant Bank Limited
United Bank for Africa Plc	Coronation Merchant Bank Limited
Union Bank of Nigeria Plc	Keystone Bank Limited
Access Bank Plc	Standard Chartered Bank Nigeria Limited
First City Monument Bank Limited	Zenith Bank Plc
Polaris Bank Limited	

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Report of the directors

The Directors are pleased to present their annual report together with the financial statements of BUA Cement Plc ("the Company") for the year ended 31 December 2020.

1 Legal form

BUA Cement Plc was incorporated as a limited liability company on 30 May 2014 and commenced business in August 2015. The Company was converted from a private limited liability company to a public limited liability company on 16 May 2019, as a prelude to a scheme of merger. The Company merged with the defunct Cement Company of Northern Nigeria Plc in a scheme of merger on 23 December 2019 and was listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange on 9 January 2020.

2 Principal activities

The principal activities of the Company are manufacturing and sale of cement to the general public.

3 Result for the year

The **Company's** results for the year ended 31 December 2020 are set out on page 28. The profit for the year has been transferred to retained earnings. The summarised results are presented below:

	30 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Revenue from contracts with customers	209,443,487	175,518,326
Profit before tax	78,873,498	66,224,501
Income tax expense	(6,529,162)	(5,614,216)
Profit after tax	72,344,336	60,610,285

4 Dividend declaration

The Board of Directors ("the Board") recommends for the approval of shareholders a payment of N2.067k dividend per 1 ordinary share of 50 kobo each, out of the profits declared in the financial year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: N1.75k).

If approved, dividends paid to shareholders will be subject to the deduction of withholding tax at the appropriate rate at the time of payment.

5 Directors and Directors' interests

The names of the Directors as at year end and the date of this report are as set out in the corporate information page.

The direct and indirect interests of Directors in the issued share capital of the Company, as recorded in the Register of **Directors'** Shareholding and as notified by the Directors for complying with Section 301, of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020 and listing requirements of the Nigerian Stock Exchange are as set out below.

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5 Directors and Directors' interests (continued)

		30 December 2020	31 December 2019
		Number of Shares held	Number of Shares held
Direct holding	Representing		
Abdul Samad Rabiul	-	19,044,995,225	19,044,995,225
Yusuf H. Binji, FNSE.	-	7,093	7,093
Indirect holding			
Abdul Samad Rabiul	Damnaz Cement Company Limited	637,403,152	637,403,152
	BUA International Limited	74,218,444	74,218,444
	BUA Cement Company Limited	11,490,595,760	11,490,595,760
Total		31,247,219,674	31,247,219,674

The Directors have complied with the provisions of Section 277 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act at the date of this report.

6 Statistical analysis of the shareholding as at 31 December 2020

Range of Shareholding	Number of Shares held	Holder %	Holders Cumulative	Units	Units %	Units Cumulative
1-1000	21,152	61.26%	21,152	8,114,995	0.02%	8,114,995
1001-5000	9,644	27.93%	30,796	21,151,561	0.06%	29,266,556
5001-10000	1,651	4.78%	32,447	12,112,298	0.04%	41,378,854
10001-50000	1,629	4.72%	34,076	35,300,946	0.10%	76,679,800
50001-100000	214	0.62%	34,290	15,548,416	0.05%	92,228,216
100001-500000	182	0.53%	34,472	38,973,280	0.12%	131,201,496
500001-1000000	18	0.05%	34,490	13,615,394	0.04%	144,816,890
1000001-999999999999	41	0.11%	34,531	33,719,537,170	99.57%	33,864,354,060
	34,531	100%		33,864,354,060	100%	

Substantial Interest in Shares

According to the register of members as at 31 December 2020, no individual shareholder held more than 5% of the issued share capital of the Company except the following:

Shareholders	No. of shares held	% of shareholding
Abdulsamad Rabiul	19,044,995,225	56.24%
BUA Cement Company Limited	11,490,595,760	33.93%
Alhaji Isiaku Rabiul	2,072,085,309	6.12%

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6 Statistical analysis of the shareholding as at 31 December 2020 (continued)

Shareholding per category

S/N	Holder type	Holder count	Holdings	Percentage (%)
1	Corporate	691	12,484,546,644	36.87%
2	Government	25	71,402,394	0.21%
3	Individual	33,781	21,292,776,057	62.88%
4	Institution	7	562,045	0.00%
5	Joint	22	1,573,778	0.00%
6	Pension	5	13,493,142	0.04%
		34,531	33,864,354,060	100%

7 Property, plant and equipment

Information relating to changes in property, plant and equipment during the year are shown in Note 12. In the opinion of the Directors, the market value of the Company and the Company's property, plant and equipment are not less than the value shown in the financial statements.

8 Charitable donations

In accordance with Section 43 (2) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, the Company did not make any donation or gift to any political party, political association or for any political purpose in the course of the year under review.

Charitable Gifts totaling N753.7 million (2019: N89.8 million) were given out in accordance with the **Company's** policy on social development and improvement of the community.

A listing of the beneficiary organisations and the amounts donated to them are as shown in the table:

	N'000
Renovation of community town halls at Wajeke & Gumbi	15,000
Donation of drugs to community clinics	7,000
Donation of cement to host communities	8,000
Construction and donation of clinic to Gidan Bailu resettlement	7,450
Construction of 2 blocks of classrooms at Gidan Bailu resettlement	18,429
Construction of Admin block at Gidan Bailu resettlement	8,779
Construction of Mosque at Gidan Bailu resettlement	11,269
Construction of 2 mechanised borehole & reticulations at Gidan Bailu resettlement	13,639
Construction and donation of cemetery to Gidan Bailu resettlement	2,967
Electrification and donation of transformers at Gidan Bailu resettlement	58,873
Renovation of community town halls at Wajeke & Gumbi	7,379
COVID-19 support to Edo State Government	100,000
Reticulation work on Okpella community borehole	1,011
Annual community development fund for Okpella town	200,000
Covid-19 palatives to Okpella communities - Hand sanitizers etc	17,926
Supply of 2 units of Nissan 4X4 pick up double cabin to Okpella town for security patrol	25,665
Maintenance of Okpella town industrial boreholes	750
HP Desktop Computer - All-in-one & UPS to Okpella Police Station	217
Road maintenance in Okpella -crush stone base	7,582
Solar powered camp light to Ebira community in Okpella	1,060
6 Nos 500 KVA Transformers to Okpella communities	23,573
Donation of Toyota Sienna vehicle to Okpella student Association (NAOS)	3,673
Donation of reflective jackets to FRSC, Okpella	1,200
Payment for installation and commissioning of transformer at Iddo in Okpella	10,045
Donation to Sokoto State Government	200,558
Provision of potable water to Ebira community at OBU well-Okpella	1,600
Total	753,645

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9 Acquisition of own shares

The Company did not purchase any of its own shares during the year (2019:Nil).

10 Securities Trading Policy

In compliance with Rule 17.15 Disclosure of Dealings in Issuers' Shares, Rulebook of the Exchange 2015 (Issuers' Rules), BUA Cement Plc maintains a Security Trading Policy which guides Directors, Audit Committee members, employees and all individuals categorized as insiders as to their dealing in the Company's securities. The policy is periodically reviewed by the Board and updated. The Company has made specific inquiries of all its directors and other insiders and is not aware of any infringement of the policy during the period under review.

11 Free Float Declaration

BUA Cement Plc with a free float value of N40,272,206,106 as at 31 December 2020 is compliant with the free float requirement for the Main Board of the Nigeria Stock Exchange.

12 Human Resources Policy

i Recruitment

The Company conforms with all regulatory requirements in the employment of staff, whilst also ensuring that only fit and proper persons are approved for appointment to board or top management positions. All prescribed pre employment screening for prospective employees and other requirements for regulatory confirmation of top management appointments are duly implemented.

ii Employee health, safety and welfare

The Company is committed to providing a safe and healthy work environment for its employees. In keeping with the safety restrictions imposed by the Nigerian Centre for Disease Control, the Company engaged a hybrid work strategy allowing non-essential departments to rotate between working remotely and working onsite. The **Company's** offices are organised in such a way to ensure physical distancing and observance of all safety protocols. The Company meets all safety standards and these include provision of sanitary tools, adequate protective clothing, firefighting equipment and footwear.

iii Employment of disabled persons

The Company has a policy of no discrimination in consideration of applications for employment including those from disabled persons. All employees whether or not disabled are given equal opportunities to develop their experience and knowledge and to qualify for promotion in furtherance of their careers. There are currently three (3) physically challenged persons in the **Company's** employment.

iv Employee involvement and training

The Company believes that its employees are an invaluable asset. It focuses on nurturing **employees'** talents and equipping them with the knowledge and skill to fulfil their potential. The Company places high priority on training and development and as such it sponsors both local and international training courses for employees.

At BUA Cement Plc, all employees are involved in mapping the future of the business with open communication playing a pivotal role. Effective channels exist to keep employees fully informed about the **Company's** performance and progress. Employees make suggestions to improve the **Company's** processes at various general staff meetings. Through well-designed and implemented incentive schemes, employees are also encouraged to participate in the ownership of the business.

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13 Directors Interest in Contracts

None of the Directors has notified the Company for the purpose of Section 303 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020 that they were members or held shareholding of some specified companies that could be regarded as interested in any contracts with which the Company was involved as at 31 December 2020.

14 Events after reporting period

There were no material post statement of financial position events to date that have not been taken into consideration in the preparation of these financial statements.

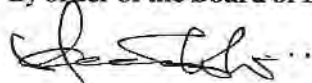
15 Approval of financial statements

The Directors on 25 March 2021 have approved these financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 for issue.

16 Independent auditor

PriceWaterhouseCoopers ("PwC") acted as the Company's Independent Auditor during the year under review. PwC has indicated their willingness to continue in office as Independent Auditor in accordance with S. 401 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020. A resolution will be proposed authorizing the Directors to fix their remuneration at the Company's general meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors



Ahmed Aliyu, Esq.
Company Secretary/Legal adviser
FRC No.: FRC/2013/NBA/00000002396
BUA Cement Plc
Lagos, Nigeria

Dated this: 25th day of March 2021

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Corporate governance report

The Board of BUA Cement PLC (**“the Company”** or **“BUA Cement”**) is pleased to present the corporate governance report, which provides insight into the **Company’s** governance structure as well as its compliance with the relevant corporate governance codes guiding good corporate governance practices in Nigeria. This report pertains to the principal activities of the Company for the 2020 financial year.

BUA Cement recognizes that a sound corporate governance culture is central to maintaining the trust and confidence placed in the Board by the shareholders, customers, suppliers, employees, regulators and the entire public. This also ensures delivery of long-term share value and consistent good returns on investment. As part of the **Company’s** growth strategy, strong governance framework is in place to safeguard the **shareholders’** investment. The Board is the main driver of the **Company’s** corporate governance practices and has established a governance framework (Board Charter, Board **Committees’** Charters and other Governance Policies) in line with international best global practices, relevant Codes of Corporate Governance and the post listing requirements of the Nigerian Stock Exchange.

BUA **Cement’s** corporate governance processes and policies are founded on the pillars of accountability, efficiency and effectiveness, fairness, responsibility, transparency and independence. The **Company’s** governance structure ensures that Managers at every level are held accountable and stakeholder views are taken seriously. To ensure good corporate governance practices, the Company continues to review its governance processes from time to time to align with the various applicable local legislation and international best practices.

The Board

The Board is the highest governing authority within the Company. It is accountable to the Shareholders to create and deliver sustainable value through the management of the **Company’s** business. Directors of the Company possess the right balance of expertise, skills and experience, which translates to an effective Board and a Management team capable of steering the affairs of the Company in an ever changing and challenging environment.

The responsibilities of the Board are clearly outlined in the Board Charter, highlights of which are as follows:

1. To oversee the continuous implementation of corporate governance principles and guidelines within the Company.
- 2. To approve the Company’s strategy and make decisions on capital structure and allocation.**
3. To consider and approve the Succession Plan for the Board and Senior Staff of the Company.
4. To review and approve compensation policy for the Company and make decisions relating to the appointment, promotion or termination of Senior Management staff.
5. To ensure that the Company maintains a sound system of internal controls to safeguard the investment and assets of the Company.

The Board is responsible for the efficient operation of the Company and ensures that the Company fully discharges its legal, financial and regulatory responsibilities. The Board delegates the operational management of the **Company’s** businesses to the Managing Director who reports to the Board and who can sub-delegate any of his duties as appropriate.

The Delegation of Authority Matrix approved by the Board defines the relevant approving entity (Managing Director, Board or Shareholders) for various transactions and business decisions for the Company, including authority to commit to a transaction or risk.

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Composition of the Board

As at December 31, 2020, the Board is composed of eight (8) Directors that are diverse with skills in manufacturing, engineering, business, finance and law. The Directors consist of six (6) Non-Executive Directors, two of whom are independent and two Executive Directors, one of whom is also the Managing Director. This is in alignment with global best practice that encourages a higher percentage of Non-Executive Directors to Executive Directors. All Directors are distinguished by their high level of competencies, business and commercial experience, integrity and independence of opinion.

The Executive Director Finance, also the Chief Financial Officer, was appointed effective from 2 October 2020 in the course of **the financial year ended December 31, 2020. There were no other changes to Board's composition during the year.**

The Chairman and The Chief Executive Officer

The roles of the Chairman and Managing Director of the Company are distinct and not occupied by the same person. The **Chairman's** main responsibility is to lead and manage the Board to ensure that it operates effectively and fully discharges its legal and regulatory responsibilities. He is also responsible for the overall operation and governance of the Board, management **of the Board's business and setting of the Board agenda in consultation with the CEO and the Company Secretary.**

The Chairman also facilitates the contribution of other Directors, promotes effective relationships, and open communication between the Executive and Non-Executive Directors, both inside and outside the Boardroom. The Managing Director executes the powers delegated to him in accordance with guidelines approved by the Board of Directors and is responsible for coordinating the day-to-day activities of the Company.

The Company Secretary

The Company Secretary and General Counsel provides support, governance advice and guidance to the Board and the individual Directors, on their powers, duties and responsibilities, supports the Board. The Company Secretary ensures that all regulations and procedures for the conduct of the affairs of the Board are complied with at all times. The Company Secretary also serve as the Secretary to all the Board Committees and the Statutory Audit Committee and attends all the meetings of the Board and the Committees.

Board Appointment Process

The Governance, Establishment and Remuneration Committee ("**Governance Committee**") is responsible for continuously reviewing the qualities and skills needed to complement the Board.

Upon the recognition of an exit or vacancy on the Board, the Governance Committee develops and documents specifications of the skills, personal attributes, knowledge and experience required to fill the gap.

The Governance Committee then interviews prospective candidates, comparing their experience with the specifications earlier identified and nominates prospective Directors.

Thereafter, the Board considers and approves or rejects the nominations presented by the Governance Committee.

A formal induction program is conducted for new Directors to ensure that they are adequately acquainted with the **Board's** practices and the **Company's** operations. In addition to an appointment letter documenting their roles and responsibilities, new appointees also receive copies of the Board Charter, Committee Charters, Other Approved Governance Policies and the **Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association.**

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Board Appointment Process (Continued)

All Directors are encouraged to continue to update their skills and knowledge on an individual basis while the Company provides additional training for Directors continuously. The training courses organized for Directors are geared towards giving the Directors a broader understanding and knowledge of the regulatory and competitive environment in which the Company operates.

Board Meetings

The Board meets quarterly in accordance with the approved Annual Calendar of Board meetings to perform its oversight function and to monitor the performance of management. Special Board meetings are scheduled whenever business exigencies arise which require the urgent attention of the Board. Between meetings, the Board maintains regular contact with Management.

All Directors are provided with notices, agenda and meeting papers in advance of each meeting to enable Directors adequately prepare for the meeting. Where a Director is unable to attend a meeting he/she is still provided with the relevant papers for the meeting. Such a Director also reserves the right to discuss with the Chairman any matter he/she may wish to raise at the meeting. Directors are also provided with regular updates on developments in the regulatory and business environment.

The Board met six (6) times during the period under review.

Attendance Register of the Members of the Board for the year ended December 31, 2020:

Name of Director	Date of meeting and attendance					
	28/01/2020	12/5/2020	3/6/2020	29/07/2020	21/10/2020	10/12/2020
Abdul Samad Rabi, CON.	P	P	P	P	P	P
Yusuf Haliru Binji	P	P	P	P	P	P
Chimaobi Madukwe	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kabiru Rabi	P	P	P	P	P	P
Finn Arnolds	P	P	P	P	P	P
Khairat Abdulrazaq Gwadabe	P	P	P	P	P	P
Shehu Abubakar	P	P	P	P	P	P
Jacques Piekarski	*	*	*	*	P	P

Note:

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P = Present

Appointed with effect from 2 October 2020

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Board Committees

In addition to the Statutory Audit Committee, the Board carries out its responsibilities through three (3) Committees, which have clearly defined terms of reference, setting out their powers, tenure and responsibilities. The Committees include; Finance and General-Purpose Committee; Governance, Establishment and Remuneration Committee; and Risk Management Committee.

Through these Committees, the Board is able to effectively carry out its oversight responsibilities and take advantage of individual expertise to formulate strategies for the Company. The Committees render reports to the Board on their activities at Board meetings in accordance with the Board reporting matrix. The Board retains responsibility for final decision making while committees are tasked with making recommendations on matters presented to them.

(a) Finance and General Purpose Committee

The Finance and General-Purpose Committee is responsible for reviewing and providing recommendations to the Board on matters relating to finance, strategy, capital and investment planning and budgetary performance. Its functions among others include:

- a. Vetting the budget, audited and management accounts
- b. Reviewing the capital structure of the Company including any issue of share options or other securities, any share buy-back, and any other changes in the capital structure of the Company
- c. Reviewing contracts for capital projects beyond the approval limits of the management
- d. Periodically reviewing the Company's financial position including its liquidity**

The Committee held five (5) scheduled meetings in the year; the membership and attendance of the Committee are as shown in the table below:

S/N	Name	Designation	Date of meeting and attendance				
			7/5/2020	2/6/2020	20-07/2020	20/10/2020	9/12/2020
1	Kabiru Rabi	Chairman	P	P	P	P	P
2	Chimaobi Madukwe	Member	P	P	P	P	P
3	Shehu Abubakar	Member	P	P	P	P	P
4	Yusuf Haliru Binji	Member	P	P	P	P	P
5	Jacques Piekarski	Member	*	*	*	*	P

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(b) Governance, Establishment and Remuneration Committee

The Governance, Establishment and Remuneration Committee is responsible for reviewing and providing recommendations to the Board on matters relating to Nomination; Governance; Remuneration; Succession Planning; and Board Evaluation. Its functions among others include:

- a. Overseeing the nomination and appointment of Board members.
- b. Receiving, reviewing and making recommendations to the Board on the Board and Board Committee Charters as well as the **Directors' Terms of Engagement**.
- c. Reviewing and approving the terms of service upon appointment and any subsequent changes, including the total individual remuneration package for the Executive Directors and senior executives.
- d. Assessing and planning the Board composition and succession considering the competencies and skills necessary for the Board as a whole, the competencies and skills that the Board considers each existing Director to possess, and the competencies and skills that each new nominee would bring to the Board;
- e. Ensuring the performance of an annual review/appraisal of the performance of the Board and make recommendations to the Board in this regard.
- f. Considering the appointment, termination and discipline of Senior Management.

The Committee held five (5) scheduled meetings in the year; the membership and attendance of the Committee are as shown in the table below:

S/N	Name	Designation	Date of meeting and attendance				
			11/5/2020	1/6/2020	20-07/2020	19/10/2020	8/12/2020
1	Khairat Abdulrazaq Gwadabe	Chairman	P	P	P	P	P
2	Chimaobi Madukwe	Member	P	P	P	P	P
3	Kabiru Rabi	Member	P	P	P	P	P
4	Finn Arnolds	Member	P	P	P	P	P

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(c) Risk Management Committee

The Risk Management Committee is responsible for reviewing and providing recommendations to the Board on matters relating to Internal Control; Enterprise Risk Management; and Health, Safety, Security & Environment. Its functions include:

a. Ensuring the development of a comprehensive internal control framework for the Company, obtain assurance and report **annually in the financial report on the operating effectiveness of the Company's internal control framework;**

b. Reviewing and approving the Company's risk management policy including risk appetite and risk strategy;

c. Reviewing and recommending the Company's Health, Safety, Security and Environment policies to the Board for approval.

The Committee held three (3) scheduled meetings in the year; the membership and attendance of the meetings of the Committee are as shown in the table below:

S/N	Name	Designation	Date of meeting and attendance		
			1/6/2020	19/10/2020	8/12/2020
1	Finn Arnoldsén	Chairman	P	P	P
2	Khairat Abdulrazaq Gwadabe	Member	P	P	P
3	Shehu Abubakar	Member	P	P	P
4	Yusuf Binji	Member	P	P	P
5	Jacques Piekarski	Member	*	*	P

Note:

*

P = Present

Appointed with effect from 2 October 2020

(d) Statutory Audit Committee

In compliance with Section 359 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 1990, the Company constituted the Statutory Audit Committee comprising of three shareholders and three Non-Executive Directors. The Chairman of the Committee is an independent shareholder. The duties of the Committee are as contained in Section 404(4) and (7) of CAMA and it is responsible **for ensuring that the Company's financial statements comply with applicable financial reporting standards.**

The Committee was constituted to ensure its independence, which is fundamental to upholding **stakeholders'** confidence in the **reliability of the Committee's report and the Company's Financial Statements.**

Below is the membership of the Committee:

1. Ajibola A. Ajayi	(Shareholder)	Chairman
2. Kabiru A. Tambari	(Shareholder)	Member
3. Oderinde Taiwo	(Shareholder)	Member
4. Kabiru Rabi	(Director)	Member
5. Chimaobi Madukwe	(Director)	Member
6. Shehu Abubakar	(Director)	Member

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The Committee held six (6) scheduled meetings in the year and attendance at the meetings was as follows:

S/N	Name of Director	Date of meeting and attendance					
		27/01/2020	23/3/2020	2/6/2020	20/07/2020	20/10/2020	9/12/2020
1	Ajibola A. Ajayi	P	P	P	P	P	P
2	Kabiru A. Tambari	P	P	P	P	P	P
3	Oderinde Taiwo	P	P	P	P	P	P
4	Kabiru Rabi	P	P	P	P	P	P
5	Chimaobi Madukwe	P	P	P	P	P	P
6	Shehu Abubakar	P	P	P	P	P	P

Note:

P = Present

Shareholders

The Company's General Meetings are conducted in a transparent and fair manner. The General Meeting of the Company is the highest decision-making body of BUA Cement. Shareholders have the opportunity to express their opinions on the Company's financial results, all agenda matters and matters relating to the Company in general. Representatives of Shareholders' Associations and regulatory bodies such as the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Nigerian Stock Exchange and Corporate Affairs Commission attend the Annual General Meetings.

The Company has an Investors Relations Unit, which deals directly with enquiries from shareholders and ensures that **Shareholders' views are escalated to Management and the Board. In addition, quarterly, half-yearly and annual financial results** are published in widely read national newspapers.

The Board ensures the protection of the statutory and general rights of Shareholders at all times particularly their rights to vote at General Meetings. All Shareholders are treated equally, regardless of volume of shareholding or social status.

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Information Flow and Access to Management

Comprehensive Board papers are circulated to the Directors before each meeting of the Board and Board Committees. The Board papers highlight and address the agenda items on which the Managing Director will report and areas requiring approvals and decisions of the Board.

The Board has a good line of communication with Management and can request the presence of any Senior Management staff to provide information when required at its meetings.

The Company Secretary is always available to advise individual Directors on corporate governance matters.

Access to Independent Advice

In compliance with global best practices, the Board enjoys access to independent professional advice to enable the Directors properly and effectively carry out their responsibilities.

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Whistleblowing Policy

The Company is committed to fair and ethical business practices with transparency and integrity. Hence, BUA Cement PLC has a clear whistle blowing policy that ensures all employees including prospective applicants, contractors, agents, partners, bankers, other service providers, suppliers, shareholders, host community and the general public are given a channel through which they can report all matters they suspect involves illegal, unethical, harmful or improper conduct. All matters reported are accepted and treated with confidentiality to the identity of the whistle blower.

Complaints Management Policy

BUA Cement PLC is committed to providing high standards of services for shareholders including a platform for efficient handling of shareholder complaints and enquiries enabling shareholders to have shareholder related matters acknowledged and addressed. Sufficient resources are provided to ensure that shareholder complaints and enquiries are dealt with adequately and in an efficient and timely manner, as well as facilitating efficient and easy access to shareholder information.

The Company has therefore formulated a complaint management policy designed to ensure that complaints and enquiries from the **Company's** shareholders are managed in a fair, impartial, efficient and timely manner. Further, this policy has been prepared in recognition of the importance of effective engagement in promoting shareholder/investor confidence in the Company.

This policy sets out the broad framework by which BUA Cement PLC and its Registrar will provide assistance regarding shareholder issues and concerns. It also provides the opportunity for BUA Cement **Plc's** shareholders to provide feedback to the Company on matters that affect shareholders. This policy only relates to the **Company's** shareholders and does not extend to its customers, suppliers or other stakeholders.

Insider Information Policy

The Company has a policy on insider information and prohibition of insider dealings as required by rules and regulations and this policy has been made publicly available to all stakeholders.

BUA Cement **Plc's** insider information policy is to generally ensure that Board members, employees and its external stakeholders who have knowledge of confidential and potentially price sensitive information are aware of the prohibition imposed by law against using, disclosing (other than in the normal course of the performance of their duties) or encouraging transactions in securities on the basis of such inside information. In addition to obligations imposed by law, BUA Cement Plc wants Board members, employees and external stakeholders to respect the safeguarding of confidential information and potentially price sensitive information.

Succession Policy

In order to maintain continuity and stability of the Company, the Board has approved a robust succession policy for identifying and developing successors for critical roles within the Board and Executive Management level of the organization. The policy outlines the succession plan for BUA Cement PLC, which includes:

- a. **determining the roles central to the achievement of the Company's objectives.**
- b. selecting top performers that will form the talent pool for the identified roles.
- c. designing and implementing a training plan to prepare the selected persons for identified positions.

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Board Evaluation Policy

In furtherance of the **Company's** commitment to excellence and continuous development, the Board has adopted a Board Evaluation Policy.

The policy provides a systematic and ongoing method for evaluating the performance of the Board, Board Committees and individual Directors. On an annual basis, an external consultant reviews the effectiveness of the Board and its members in an objective, independent and fair manner. Internal evaluations are also conducted as the **Board's** Governance, Establishment and Remuneration Committee ("**BGERC**") Chairman is responsible for annually evaluating the performance of the Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer while the Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer reviews the performance of other executive Directors.

Every three (3) years, the BGERC oversees the conduct of a corporate governance assessment for the Company by an external consultant.

Director's Training Policy

In order to ensure the structured and systematic training and continuous development of its Directors, the Board approved a **Directors'** training policy. The Policy contains the **Company's** plan for equipping Directors to perform their duties effectively and efficiently. The training plan for Directors is developed by the Company Secretary and approved by the Chairman of the Board on an annual basis. At the minimum, each Director is to attend one (1) core-training program every financial year.

Conflict of Interest Policy

To assist Directors and other senior officers of the Company in recognizing, dealing with and disclosing actual or perceived conflicts of interests, the Board has approved a Conflict of Interest Policy for the organization.

The Policy mandates new Directors to declare their interests in any entities in which he or she is a Director, officer, servant, creditor or holder of substantial shares or securities. In addition, any Director who has an interest in a related party transaction shall declare his or her conflict to other Directors prior to the meeting and recuse himself or herself from any reporting, discussions and voting on the transaction at the Board or Board Committee meeting.

Code of Ethics

The Company is upholding the highest standards of transparency, disclosure and ethics. Every year, Directors are required to fill and sign a Code of Conduct form committing to fulfil their duties of care and loyalty to the Company. The Company has an approved Code of Conduct designed to empower employees and enable effective decision making at all levels of the business according to defined ethical principles. New employees are required to read and sign an attestation signifying that they understand the contents of the Code.

Diversity

At BUA Cement, we believe in the increased innovation and performance that results from diversity. Thus, in making appointments to the Board or employment within the organization due cognizance is taken towards ensuring that there is diversity of gender, thought, experience and academic background across the Company.

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Sustainability


At BUA Cement, we are conscious that a solid commitment to incorporating sound environmental and social standards into our business operations is key to safeguarding our long-term success. We are focused on fostering the economic and social development of the Nigerian and indeed wider African community in which the Company operates.

In furtherance of this commitment and focus, we carry out our operational activities in a manner that has minimal impact on the environment through strict adherence to emission standards; reduced fresh water use, water recycling and land reclamation. The Company also supports the government efforts at achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through our social initiatives – educational scholarships, provision of potable drinking water through construction of boreholes and provision of other social amenities and infrastructure to communities where BUA Cement operates.

Compliance Statement

The Company's corporate governance strategies and initiatives are geared towards complying with the Nigerian Code of Corporate Governance, 2018, and the disclosure requirements under the Nigerian Stock Exchange's Listing Requirements and Rules.

By order of the Board of Directors



Ahmed Aliyu, Esq.
Company Secretary/Legal adviser
FRC No.: FRC/2013/NBA/00000002396
BUA Cement Plc
Lagos, Nigeria

Dated this: 25th day of March 2021

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Report of the audit committee

The Audit Committee is pleased to present this report for the financial year ended 31 December 2020 in compliance with S.404 (7) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act. The Committee has the oversight responsibility for the Company's financial statements.

The Audit Committee is an independent statutory committee appointed by the shareholders and the board. The committee performs its functions on behalf of BUA Cement Plc.

Audit Committee terms of reference

The Audit Committee has adopted a formal terms of reference as contained in its charter that has been approved by the board of Directors. The committee has conducted its affairs in compliance with its terms of reference and has discharged its responsibilities contained therein. It reports its findings to the Board and the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

The Committee comprises of three shareholders, one of whom chairs it, and three Non-Executive Directors nominated by the Board and meet quarterly or whenever the need arises.

The Audit Committee meets at least four times per annum, with authority to convene additional meetings, as circumstances require.

Executive Directors, external auditors, internal auditors, financial management and other assurance providers attend meetings by invitation only.

Below is the list of members and the number of meetings held during the year.

Names	Date of meeting and attendance					
	1/27/2020	3/23/2020	6/2/2020	7/20/2020	10/20/2020	12/9/2020
Ajibola A. Ajayi	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kabiru A. Tambari	P	P	P	P	P	P
Oderinde Taiwo	P	P	P	P	P	P
Kabiru Rabi	P	P	P	P	P	P
Chimaobi Madukwe	P	P	P	P	P	P
Shehu Abubakar	P	P	P	P	P	P

Note:

P Present

Roles and responsibilities

The Audit Committee carried out its functions through the attendance of Audit Committee meetings and discussions with executive management, internal audit and external auditors.

Statutory duties

The Audit **Committee's** role and responsibilities include statutory duties as stipulated by the Companies and Allied Matters Act and further responsibilities assigned to it by the Board.

The Audit Committee is satisfied that it has complied with its legal, regulatory and other responsibilities.

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External auditor appointment and independence

In terms of the provisions of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, the Audit Committee has satisfied itself that the external auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, is independent of the Company and has ensured that the appointment of the auditor complied with the Companies and Allied Matters Act and any other legislation relating to the appointment of auditors.

The Committee, in consultation with executive management, agreed to the engagement letter, terms, audit plan and budgeted fees for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Financial statements and accounting practices

The Audit Committee has reviewed the accounting policies and the financial statements of the Company and is satisfied that they are appropriate and comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards, the Companies and Allied Matters Act and the Securities and Exchange Commission listing requirements.

Internal financial controls

The Audit Committee has overseen a process by which internal audit performed an assessment of the effectiveness of the **Company's** system of internal control, including internal financial controls. The Audit Committee is satisfied with the effectiveness of the **Company's internal financial controls**.

Duties assigned by the Board

In addition to the statutory duties of the Audit Committee, as reported above, the Board of Directors has determined further functions for the audit committee to perform. These functions include the following:

- (i) **Going concern**
The Audit Committee reviews the going concern status of the Company at each meeting and makes recommendations to the Board.
- (ii) **Governance of risk**
The Audit Committee fulfills an oversight role regarding financial reporting risks, internal financial controls, fraud risk as it relates to financial reporting and information technology risks as it relates to financial reporting.
- (iii) **Internal audit**
The Audit Committee is responsible for ensuring that the **Company's** internal audit function is independent and has the necessary resources, standing and authority within the Company to enable it to discharge its duties.

The Audit Committee considered and recommended the internal audit charter for approval by the Board. The internal audit **function's annual audit plan was approved by the Audit Committee**.
- (iv) **Evaluation of the expertise and experience of the Chief Financial Officer and finance function**
The Audit Committee has satisfied itself that the Chief Financial Officer has appropriate expertise and experience.

The Audit Committee has considered, and has satisfied itself of the appropriateness of the expertise and adequacy of resources of the finance function and experience of the senior members of management responsible for the financial function.

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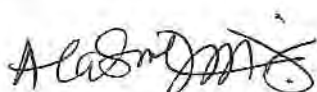
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In compliance with the Provisions of Section 404(7) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, we report as follows:

- We have ascertained and hereby confirm that the accounting and reporting policies of the Company are in accordance with legal requirements and agreed ethical practices;
- The scope and planning of audit requirements for the year ended 31 December 2020 are adequate;
- We are satisfied with the External Auditors' Management Report for the year ended 31 December 2020, as well as the response of the Management thereto.



Mr. Ajibola Ajayi FCA, CFA

Chairman Audit Committee

FRC/2015/ICAN/00000011387

Dated this: 24th day of March 2021

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Ajibola Ajayi FCA, CFA	-	Chairman - Independent shareholder
Oderinde Taiwo	-	Member - Independent shareholder
Kabiru A. Tambari	-	Member - Independent shareholder
Kabiru Rabi	-	Member - Director
Chimaobi Madukwe	-	Member - Director
Shehu Abubakar	-	Member - Director

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Statement of directors' responsibilities

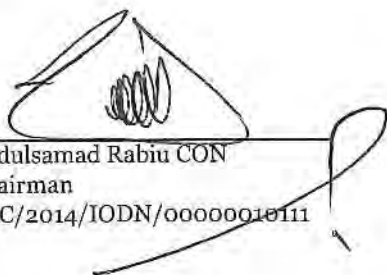
The Companies and Allied Matters Act requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of financial affairs of the Company at the end of the year and of its profit or loss. The responsibilities include ensuring that the Company:

- a) keeps proper accounting records that disclose, with reasonable accuracy, the financial position of the Company and comply with the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act;
- b) establishes adequate internal controls to safeguard its assets and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities; and
- c) prepares its financial statements using suitable accounting policies supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, and are consistently applied.

The Directors accept responsibility for the financial statements, which have been prepared using appropriate accounting policies supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, in conformity with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act and the Companies and Allied Matters Act.

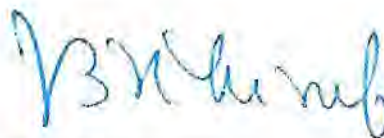
The Directors are of the opinion that the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the financial affairs of the Company and of its profit. The Directors further accept responsibility for the maintenance of accounting records that may be relied upon in the preparation of financial statements, as well as adequate systems of internal financial control.

Nothing has come to the attention of the Directors to indicate that the Company will not remain a going concern for at least twelve months from the date of this statement.



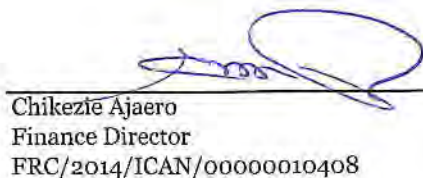
Abdulsamad Rabiu CON
Chairman
FRC/2014/IODN/00000010111

25th March 2021



Yusuf H. Binji
Managing Director
FRC/2013/NSE/00000001746

25th March 2021



Chikezie Ajaero
Finance Director
FRC/2014/ICAN/00000010408

25th March 2021

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Statement of corporate responsibilities over financial reporting

Pursuant to Section 405 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020, we confirm that we have reviewed the Audited Financial Statements of BUA Cement Plc ("BUA Cement" or "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2020.

We acknowledge our responsibility for establishing and maintaining internal controls within BUA Cement and have designed such internal controls to ensure that material information relating to the Company is made known to us by other officers of the Company, particularly during the period in which the Audited Financial Statements were prepared.

We have evaluated the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls within 90 days prior to the date on our audited financial statements, and certify that the Company's internal controls are effective as of that date.

We also confirm that the Company's Auditors and Audit Committee have been informed about the following:

(i) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the company's ability to record, process, summarise and report financial data, and has identified for the company's Auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls, and

(ii) whether or not, there is any fraud that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the company's internal control;

During the year, there were no significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of our evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

We hereby certify that based on our knowledge, the Financial Statements do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or material omission that may make the Financial Statements misleading and the Financial Statements fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company for the year ended December 31, 2020.



Yusuf H. Binji
Managing Director
FRC/2013/NSE/00000001746

25th March 2021



Chikezie Ajaero
Finance Director
FRC/2014/ICAN/00000010408

25th March 2021



Independent auditor's report

To the Members of BUA Cement Plc

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion, BUA Cement Plc's ("the company's") financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the company as at 31 December 2020, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act and the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act.

What we have audited

BUA Cement Plc's financial statements comprise:

- the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2020;
 - the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020;
 - the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
 - the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
 - the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.
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Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report.

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

Independence

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards), i.e. the IESBA Code issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code.

Key audit matters

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

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p><i>Provision for decommissioning liabilities</i> (Refer to notes 2.15, 4.1.2 and 19 to the financial statements)</p> <p>As at 31 December 2020, the directors recognised provision for decommissioning liabilities amounting to N9 billion in relation to the restoration of active quarries to acceptable land use conditions.</p> <p>We focused on this area due to materiality of the provision and because the directors exercised significant judgement in estimating future restoration costs and in the parameters used for the estimation of the decommissioning provision.</p> <p>Areas where significant judgements were exercised by the directors include the methodology used in determining the present value of the estimated restoration costs using current prices adjusted for inflation and discounted using a risk-free rate; and in determining the useful life of mining quarries and mineable reserves used in decommissioning liabilities model.</p>	<p>We adopted a substantive approach in assessing the provision for decommissioning liabilities. Specifically, we performed the following procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed the professional competence and objectivity of the in-house and external experts. Gained an understanding of methodology applied by the directors and the experts in estimating the future restoration costs, useful lives of mining quarries and mineable reserves used in the decommissioning liabilities computation. Tested the reasonableness of key data input used in the decommissioning liabilities computation, such as mineable reserve, actual resources mined, useful lives of mining quarry sites and estimated future restoration costs. Specifically; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> we traced the actual resources mined to the company's underlying records; checked useful life of the mineable reserve against the mining license; with the help of our accounting consulting experts, we checked the estimated future restoration costs by testing the appropriateness of the risk-free discount rate and the inflation rate and benchmarking them against reliable external sources; we agreed the mineable reserve to the external experts' report. Tested the decommissioning liabilities calculations prepared by the directors, including the present value of future costs and the interest expense on the liabilities, by reviewing the formulae and methodology applied for reasonableness. Evaluated appropriateness of the related disclosures in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Corporate Information, Report of the Directors, Corporate Governance Report, Report of the Audit Committee, Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, Statement of Corporate Responsibilities Over Financial Reporting, Statement of Value Added and Five-Year Financial Summary (but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon), which we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, and the other sections of the BUA Cement Plc 2020 Annual Report, which are expected to be made available to us after that date.

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



In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report, 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.

When we read the other sections of the BUA Cement Plc 2020 Annual Report, if we conclude that there is a material misstatement therein, we are required to communicate the matter to those charged with governance.

Responsibilities of the directors and those charged with governance for the financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the 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 company'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 company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related



disclosures in the 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

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

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or 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.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

The Companies and Allied Matters Act requires that in carrying out our audit we consider and report to you on the following matters. We confirm that:

- i) we have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit;
- ii) the company has kept proper books of account, so far as appears from our examination of those books and returns adequate for our audit have been received from branches not visited by us;
- iii) the company's statement of financial position and statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income are in agreement with the books of account and returns.

Oladele Oladipo

For: **PricewaterhouseCoopers**
Chartered Accountants
Lagos, Nigeria

Engagement Partner: Oladele Oladipo
FRC/2013/ICAN/00000002951



29 March 2021

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Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

	Notes	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Revenue from contracts with customers	5	209,443,487	175,518,326
Cost of sales	7.2	(113,964,695)	(93,075,294)
Gross profit		95,478,792	82,443,032
Administrative expenses	7.2	(10,320,437)	(10,516,380)
Distribution and selling expenses	7.2	(4,867,449)	(4,307,109)
Impairment write back on financial assets	6	1,355,590	3,758,227
Other income	8	375,519	50,248
Operating profit		82,022,015	71,428,017
Finance income	9a	859,618	157,002
Finance cost	9b	(3,836,870)	(5,349,056)
Net finance cost		(2,977,252)	(5,192,054)
Minimum tax charge	10a	(171,265)	(11,462)
Profit before tax		78,873,498	66,224,501
Income tax expense	10a	(6,529,162)	(5,614,216)
Profit after tax		72,344,336	60,610,285
Other comprehensive (loss)/income:			
<i>Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Re-measurement of defined benefit obligations (net of tax)	11b	(824,234)	(267,828)
Other comprehensive loss for the year net of tax		(824,234)	(267,828)
Total comprehensive income for the year		71,520,102	60,342,457
Earnings per share			
Basic and diluted (Naira)	24	2.14	1.79

The notes on pages 32 to 86 are an integral part of these financial statements.

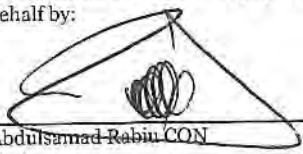
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	Notes	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	12	523,312,829	393,406,271
Right-of-use assets	13a	70,490	76,503
Intangible assets	14	4,284,986	2,781,915
Deferred tax asset	10c	-	12,140,877
		527,668,305	408,405,566
Current assets			
Inventories	15	31,505,198	27,201,580
Due from related parties	26b	-	16,753,850
Trade and other receivables	17	83,307,986	2,618,935
Cash and cash equivalents	16	123,821,089	15,586,664
		238,634,273	62,161,029
Total assets		766,302,578	470,566,595
Equity attributable to shareholders			
Ordinary share capital	23	16,932,177	16,932,177
Retained earnings		159,915,508	146,833,788
Reorganisation reserve		200,004,179	200,004,179
Reserve on actuarial valuation of defined benefit plan		(897,136)	(72,902)
Total equity		375,954,728	363,697,242
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Bank overdraft	20	-	562,066
Trade and other payables	18	23,868,768	36,341,858
Contract liabilities	5b	42,138,330	32,868,945
Due to related parties	26b	34,497,761	918,741
Current income tax liabilities	10b	922,428	813,724
Short-term borrowings	20	105,648,512	20,861,438
Lease liabilities	13	-	41,677
Government grant	22a	900,695	5,701
Provision for decommissioning liabilities	19	123,695	4,047,713
		208,100,189	96,461,863
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	13a	37,317	6,675
Long-term borrowings	20	50,449,387	-
Debt security issued	21	113,195,044	-
Employee benefit obligations	11	3,645,893	2,908,526
Deferred tax liabilities	10d	1,120,222	7,492,289
Government grant	22a	4,632,023	-
Provision for decommissioning liabilities	19	9,167,775	-
		182,247,661	10,407,490
Total liabilities		390,347,850	106,869,353
Total equity and liabilities		766,302,578	470,566,595

The notes on pages 32 to 86 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 28 to 89 were approved and authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 25th March 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:


Abdulsamad Rabin CON
Chairman
FRC/2014/IODN/00000010111


Chikezie Ajaero
Finance Director
FRC/2014/ICAN/00000010408


Yusuf H. Binji
Managing Director/CEO
FRC/2013/NSE/00000001746

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Statement of changes in equity

	Share capital N'000	Reserve on actuarial valuation of defined benefit plan N'000	Retained earnings N'000	*Reorganisation reserve N'000	Total N'000
Balance at 1 January 2019	16,932,177	194,926	91,480,903	200,004,179	308,612,184
Comprehensive income					
Profit for the year	-	-	60,610,285	-	60,610,285
Other comprehensive loss for the year	-	(267,828)	-	-	(267,828)
Total comprehensive income	-	(267,828)	60,610,285	-	60,342,458
Transactions with owners:					
Dividend declared and paid to CCNN Plc's shareholders**	-	-	(5,257,400)	-	(5,257,400)
	-	-	(5,257,400)	-	(5,257,400)
Balance at 31 December 2019	16,932,177	(72,902)	146,833,788	200,004,179	363,697,242
Balance at 1 January 2020	16,932,177	(72,902)	146,833,788	200,004,179	363,697,242
Comprehensive income					
Profit for the year	-	-	72,344,336	-	72,344,336
Other comprehensive loss for the year	-	(824,234)	-	-	(824,234)
Total comprehensive income	-	(824,234)	72,344,336	-	71,520,102
Total comprehensive income					
Transactions with owners:					
Dividend declared and paid to BUA Cement Plc's shareholders	-	-	(59,262,616)	-	(59,262,616)
	-	-	(59,262,616)	-	(59,262,616)
Balance at 31 December 2020	16,932,177	(897,136)	159,915,508	200,004,179	375,954,728

* Reorganisation reserve consists of the Company's merger transactions with entities under common control.

**Pre-merger dividend declared to CCNN Plc's shareholders during the year ended 31 December 2019.

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Statement of cash flows

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		31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
	Notes		
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit before income tax		78,873,498	66,224,501
<u>Adjustment for non-cash items:</u>			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	12	15,199,012	13,946,325
Amortisation of intangible assets	14	227,871	147,968
Write off of intangible assets	14b	-	12,477
Unrealised foreign exchange losses	7.1	616,147	183,227
Net impairment (gain) / loss on financial assets	6	(1,355,590)	(3,758,227)
Net finance cost	9b	2,977,252	5,192,054
Minimum tax	10a	171,265	11,462
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	8	-	(253)
Depreciation of right-of-use asset	13	56,191	37,771
Defined benefit plan amendment	11b	1,186,842	66,747
Provision for end of service benefit obligations	11b	(64,636)	390,955
Operating cashflows before movements in working capital		97,887,852	82,455,008
Movement in working capital:			
Increase in trade and other receivables		(80,689,051)	(185,359)
Increase in inventories		(4,303,618)	(6,268,381)
Decrease in amounts due from related parties	26d	17,030,288	51,556,775
Decrease/(increase) in right-of-use asset		6,013	(76,503)
(Decrease)/increase in trade and other payables		(12,473,090)	2,054,932
Increase/(decrease) in amounts due to related parties	26e	32,843,327	(125,665,738)
Increase in contract liabilities		9,269,385	24,932,114
Increase/(decrease) in government grant		5,527,017	(26,287)
Cash generated from operations		65,098,124	28,776,561
Defined benefit paid during the year	11b	(100,775)	(66,821)
Interest received	9a	859,618	100,340
Interest paid		-	(432,317)
Tax paid	10b	(744,369)	(1,919,290)
Net cash flow from operating activities		65,112,598	26,458,473
Investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	12e	(127,118,686)	(22,793,734)
Purchase of intangible assets	14	(1,730,941)	(460,335)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	12f	-	259
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(128,849,627)	(23,253,810)
Financing activities			
Dividend paid to equity holders		(59,262,616)	(5,257,400)
Lease liability payment	13	(65,236)	(5,394)
Proceeds from debt security issued	21	113,170,093	-
Proceeds from borrowings	20	228,722,337	56,737,008
Principal repayment of borrowings	20	(96,768,171)	(39,905,311)
Interest repayment on borrowings	20	(13,287,516)	(2,478,445)
Net cash flows generated from financing activities		172,508,889	9,090,457
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		108,771,860	12,295,120
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		15,024,598	2,713,051
Effects of exchange rate differences		24,631	16,426
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	16.1	123,821,089	15,024,598

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1 General information

BUA Cement Plc ("the Company") is a company domiciled in Nigeria. The Company was incorporated in Nigeria as a limited liability company on 30 May 2014 and commenced business in August 2015. The Company was converted from a private limited liability company to a public limited liability company on 16 May 2019, as a prelude to a scheme of merger. The Company later merged with the defunct Cement Company of Northern Nigeria Plc in a scheme of merger on 23 December 2019 and was listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange on 9 January 2020. BUA Cement Plc is ultimately owned by Alhaji Abdulsamad Rabi, CON.

The address of its registered office is 32, Churchgate Street, Victoria Island, Lagos. The principal activities of the Company are manufacturing and sales of cement to the general public. These activities are conducted primarily in Nigeria.

The majority shareholder of the Company, Abdulsamad Rabi, CON is the Chairman of the Board of Directors and the ultimate owner of the Company.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented.

2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) and the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), including International Accounting Standards (IAS) and interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC). Further standards may be issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and may be subject to interpretations issued by the IFRS IC.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for decommissioning liabilities. The provision for decommissioning cost has been estimated based on the scope and method of abandonment using current requirements, price level adjusted for inflation and discounted using a risk-free discount rate for the nine active quarry sites as at 31 December 2020. Actual costs may however differ from the estimates based on the prevailing assumptions at the relevant periods.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires Directors to exercise judgment in applying the **Company's** accounting policies. Changes in assumptions may have a significant impact on the financial statements in the period the assumptions changed. Directors believe that the underlying assumptions are appropriate and that the **Company's** financial statements therefore present the financial position and results fairly. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in Note 4.

The financial statements comprise the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of financial position, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and the notes to the financial statements.

The financial statements are presented in Nigerian Naira and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand (N'000) except when otherwise indicated.

2.1.1 Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the going concern principle under the historical cost convention. The Directors have no doubt that the Company will remain in existence twelve (12) months after the statement of financial position date.

The Company reported a profit of N72.3 billion for the year ended 31 December 2020 (2019: N60.6 billion). At the statement of financial position date, the Company had a net asset of approximately N375.9 billion (2019: N363.7 billion) and net current asset of approximately N30.5 billion (2019: liability of N34.3 billion).

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2.1.2 Changes in accounting policies and disclosures

2.1.2.1 New standards and interpretations adopted by the Company

The Company has applied the standards and amendments that are applicable to the Company for the first time in the annual reporting period commencing 1 January 2020.

Amendment to IFRS 3: Definition of a Business

The amendment to IFRS 3 Business Combinations clarifies that to be considered a business, an integrated set of activities and assets must include, at a minimum, an input and a substantive process that, together, significantly contribute to the ability to create output. Furthermore, it clarifies that a business can exist without including all of the inputs and processes needed to create outputs. These amendments had no impact on the financial statements of the Company, but may impact future periods should the Company enter into any business combinations.

Amendments to IFRS 7, IFRS 9 and IAS 39 Interest Rate Benchmark Reform

The amendments made to IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures, IFRS 9 Financial Instruments and IAS 39 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement provide a number of reliefs, which apply to all hedging relationships that are directly affected by interest rate benchmark reform. A hedging relationship is affected if the reform gives rise to uncertainty about the timing and/or amount of benchmark-based cash flows of the hedged item or the hedging instrument. These amendments have no impact on the financial statements of the Company as it does not have any interest rate hedge.

Amendment to IAS 1 and IAS 8: Definition of Material

The IASB's amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements and IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors which use a consistent definition of materiality throughout International Financial Reporting Standards and the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting, clarify when information is material and incorporate some of the guidance in IAS 1 about immaterial information.

In particular, the amendments clarify:

- **that the reference to obscuring information addresses situations in which the effect is similar to omitting or misstating** that information, and that an entity assesses materiality in the context of the financial statements as a whole, and
- **the meaning of primary users of general purpose financial statements to whom those financial statements are directed,** by defining them as 'existing and potential investors, lenders and other creditors' that must rely on general purpose financial statements for much of the financial information they need.

Amendments to IFRS 16 Covid-19 Related Rent Concessions

The IASB issued Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions - amendment to IFRS 16 Leases. The amendments provide relief to lessees from applying IFRS 16 guidance on lease modification accounting for rent concessions arising as a direct consequence of the Covid-19 pandemic. As a practical expedient, a lessee may elect not to assess whether a Covid-19 related rent concession from a lessor is a lease modification. A lessee that makes this election accounts for any change in lease payments resulting from the Covid-19 related rent concession the same way it would account for the change under IFRS 16, if the change were not a lease modification.

The amendment applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 June 2020. Earlier application is permitted. This amendment had no impact on the financial statements of the Company.

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Revised Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting

The IASB has issued a revised Conceptual Framework which would be used in standard-setting decisions with immediate effect. Key changes include:

- **increasing the prominence of stewardship in the objective of financial reporting**
- **reinstating prudence as a component of neutrality**
- **defining a reporting entity, which may be a legal entity, or a portion of an entity**
- **revising the definitions of an asset and a liability**
- **removing the probability threshold for recognition and adding guidance on derecognition**
- **adding guidance on different measurement basis, and**
- **stating that profit or loss is the primary performance indicator and that, in principle, income and expenses in other comprehensive income should be recycled where this enhances the relevance or faithful representation of the financial statements.**

There will be no changes to any of the current accounting standards applied by the Company. However, transactions, events or conditions that are not otherwise dealt with under the accounting standards will need to apply the revised Framework from 1 January 2020.

2.1.2.2 New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards and interpretations, have been published that are not yet effective or mandatory for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2020 and have not been early adopted by the Company. These standards are not expected to have a material impact on the financial statements.

2018-2020 Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards - IFRS 9 (effective for reporting periods on or after 1 January 2022)

As part of its 2018-2020 Annual Improvements to IFRS standards process, the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 9. The amendment clarifies the fees that an entity includes when assessing whether the terms of a new or modified financial liability are substantially different from the terms of the original financial liability.

These fees include only those paid or received between the borrower and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the borrower or lender on the **other's** behalf. An entity applies the amendment to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendment.

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 with earlier adoption permitted. The Company will apply the amendments to financial liabilities that are modified or exchanged on or after the beginning of the annual period in which it will first apply the amendment and does not expect this will result in a material impact on its financial statements.

Amendments to IAS 1, Presentation of financial statements on classification of liabilities (effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023)

The amendments issued by the IASB on January 23, 2020 impact only the presentation of liabilities in the statement of financial position - not the amount or timing of recognition of any asset, liability income or expenses. The amendments clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or non-current should be based on rights that are in existence at the end of the reporting period and align the wording in all affected paragraphs to refer to the "right" to defer settlement by at least twelve months and make explicit that only rights in place "at the end of the reporting period" should affect the classification of a liability. The classification is unaffected by expectations about whether an entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of a liability. The amendment also clarifies that settlement refers to the transfer to the counterparty of cash, equity instruments, other assets or services.

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Amendments to IAS 1, Presentation of financial statements on classification of liabilities (effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023) - (Continued)

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 with earlier adoption permitted. The Company will apply the classification amendments to financial liabilities with the "right" to defer settlement by at least twelve months as at the end of the annual reporting period in which it will first apply the amendment. The Company does not expect this will result in a material impact on its financial statements.

Amendments to IFRS 3, Business combinations (effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022)

The amendments issued on May 14, 2020 by the IASB was designed to update the conceptual framework reference in IFRS 3. Previously, the standard referenced the 1989 conceptual framework which had conflicting definitions for "assets" and "liabilities" in comparison with the 2018 conceptual framework. Paragraph 11 of IFRS 3 has been updated to reference the 2018 conceptual framework, without significantly changing the requirements of IFRS 3. This amendment eliminates the possibility of recognising day 2 gains or losses post-acquisition for already recognised balances.

The amendments also clarify that an acquirer does not recognise contingent assets acquired in a business combination.

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022. Early application is permitted, provided the Company also applies the updated Conceptual Framework on or before the date it first applies the amendments to IFRS 3. The Company does not expect this will result in a material impact on its financial statements.

Amendments to IAS 16, Property, plant and equipment - proceeds before intended use (effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022)

The amendments issued on May 14, 2020 by the IASB addresses the accounting treatment for proceeds generated from selling items produced while bringing an asset into the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.

The standard was revised to prohibit deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced while bringing that asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Instead, an entity recognises the proceeds from selling such items, and the cost of producing those items, in profit or loss.

Amendments to IAS 37, Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets - "Onerous contracts - cost of fulfilling a contract" (effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022)

The changes in Onerous Contracts — Cost of Fulfilling a Contract (Amendments to IAS 37) specify that the **'cost of fulfilling'** a contract comprises the **'costs'** that relate directly to the **'contract'**. Costs that relate directly to a contract can either be incremental costs of fulfilling that contract (examples would be direct labour, materials) or an allocation of other costs that relate directly to fulfilling contracts (an example would be the allocation of the depreciation charge for an item of property, plant and equipment used in fulfilling the contract).

The amendment is effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 with earlier adoption permitted. The amendments apply to contracts for which the Company has not yet fulfilled all its obligations at the beginning of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the amendments. Comparatives do not need to be restated.

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2.2 Foreign currency translation

(a) *Functional and presentation currency*

Items included in the financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity within the Company operates. The financial statements are presented in thousands of Naira which is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

(b) *Transactions and balances*

Foreign currency transactions are translated into Naira using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the profit or loss within administrative expenses.

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported as part of the fair value gain or loss. For example, translation differences on non-monetary assets and liabilities such as equities held at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in profit or loss as part of the fair value gain or loss, and translation differences on non-monetary assets such as equities classified as at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when the fair value was determined. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported as part of the fair value gain or loss. For example, translation differences on non-monetary assets and liabilities such as equities held at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in profit or loss as part of the fair value gain or loss, and translation differences on non-monetary assets such as equities classified as at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognised in other comprehensive income.

2.3 Property, plant and equipment

All property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and the cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance costs are charged to profit or loss during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Capital work in progress are not depreciated. Depreciation of assets commences when assets are available for use. Depreciation on other assets is calculated using the straight line method of calculation i.e. the cost of the assets less its residual value, if applicable, over the number of useful lives (in years), as follows:

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2.3 Property, plant and equipment (Continued)

	Useful life (years)
Land	Not depreciable
Buildings	30 - 50
Quarry equipment	6 - 25
Trucks	4
Plant and machinery	3 - 40
Furniture and fittings	5
Tools and laboratory equipment	5
Computers and office equipment	3 - 5
Motor vehicles	4
Construction work-in-progress	Nil

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

Quarry exploration and production assets

Accounting for quarry exploration and production assets

Quarry exploration and evaluation expenditures are accounted for using the '**successful efforts**' method of accounting. Costs are accumulated on a quarry-by-quarry basis. Geological and geophysical costs are expensed as incurred. Costs directly associated with a quarry, and exploration costs, are capitalised until the determination of minable reserves is evaluated. If it is determined that commercial discovery has not been achieved, these costs are charged to expenses.

Capitalisation is made within property, plant and equipment or intangible assets according to the nature of the expenditure.

Once commercial reserves are found, exploration and evaluation assets are tested for impairment and transferred to development tangible and intangible assets. No depreciation and/or amortisation is charged during the exploration and evaluation phase.

Development tangible and intangible assets

Expenditure on the construction, installation or completion of infrastructure facilities on commercially proven quarries and the drilling of commercially proven quarries, is capitalised within property, plant and equipment and intangible assets according to nature. When development is completed on a specific quarry, it is transferred to quarry equipment or intangible assets.

Depreciation/amortisation

No depreciation or amortisation is charged during the exploration and evaluation phase.

Quarry tangible and intangible assets are depreciated or amortised using the unit-of-production ("UoP") method. UoP rates are based on proved developed reserves, which are limestone and laterite reserves estimated to be recovered from existing facilities using current operating methods.

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2.4 Intangible assets

Costs associated with maintaining software programmes are recognised as an expense when incurred. Development costs that are directly attributable to the design and testing of identifiable and unique software products controlled by the Company are recognised as intangible assets when the following criteria are met:

- it is technically feasible to complete the software so that it will be available for use;
- management intends to complete the software and use it;
- there is an ability to use the software;
- it can be demonstrated how the software will generate probable future economic benefits;
- adequate technical, financial and other resources to complete the development and to use the software are available; and
- the expenditure attributable to the software during its development can be reliably measured.

Directly attributable costs that are capitalised as part of the software include employee costs and an appropriate portion of relevant overheads.

Capitalised development costs are recorded as intangible assets and amortised from the point at which the asset is ready for use.

Licenses

Licenses are shown at historical cost. They have a finite useful life and are subsequently carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Software

Costs associated with acquiring software programmes are capitalised at historical cost. They have a finite useful life and are subsequently carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses.

Exploration Assets

Exploration assets are carried at cost less any impairment losses. All costs, including overhead costs directly associated with the specific project are capitalised. The Directors evaluate each project at each period end to determine if the carrying value should be written off. In determining whether expenditure meets the criteria to be capitalised, the Directors use information from several sources, depending on the level of exploration. Purchased exploration and evaluation assets are recognised at the cost of acquisition or at the fair value if purchased as part of a business combination.

Amortisation methods and useful lives

The accumulated capitalised costs from exploration assets are amortised over the expected total production using a unit of production (UoP) basis. UoP is the most appropriate amortisation method because it reflects the pattern of consumption of **the reserves' economic benefits**.

The Company amortises other intangible assets with a limited useful life using the straight-line method over the asset's estimated useful lives or over the shorter of the **asset's** useful life and the lease term if there is no reasonable certainty that the company will extend the lease longer than the estimated useful life.

	Useful life (years)
Licenses	2 - 5
Software	3
Exploration Assets	25

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2.5 Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the **asset's** carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an **asset's** fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non financial assets that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at each reporting date.

2.6 Financial instruments

2.6.1 *Classification and measurement*

i. *Financial assets*

It is the **Company's** policy to initially recognise financial assets at fair value plus transaction costs, except in the case of financial assets recorded at fair value through profit or loss which are expensed in profit or loss.

Classification and subsequent measurement is dependent on the **Company's** business model for managing the asset and the cashflow characteristics of the asset. On this basis, the Company may classify its financial instruments at amortised cost, fair value through profit or loss and at fair value through other comprehensive income.

Financial assets held by the Company are classified based on the following:

- **Hold to collect:** Financial assets in this category are held by the Company solely to collect contractual cash flows and these cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest. Assets held under this business model are measured at amortised cost.
- **Hold to collect and sell:** Financial assets in this category are held to collect contractual cash flows and sell. The cash flows represent solely payment of principal and interest. These financial assets are measured at fair value through other comprehensive income.
- **Hold to sell/residual:** This category is the residual category for financial assets that do not meet the criteria described above. **Financial assets in this category are managed in order to realise the asset's fair value.**

The financial assets of the Company are held to collect contractual cashflows that are solely payments of principal (for non-interest bearing financial assets) or solely payments of principal and interest (for interest bearing financial assets).

The **Company's** financial assets includes trade receivables, due from related parties and cash and cash equivalents. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the reporting date. Interest income from these assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss.

ii. *Financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities of the Company are classified and measured at fair value on initial recognition and subsequently at amortised cost net of directly attributable transaction costs. The **Company's** financial liabilities include trade and other payables, payable to related parties, lease liabilities and borrowings.

2.6.2 *Impairment of financial assets*

Recognition of impairment provisions under IFRS 9 is based on the Expected Credit Loss (ECL) model. The ECL model is applicable to financial assets measured at amortised cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI). The measurement of ECL reflects an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes, time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available without undue cost or effort at the reporting date, about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The simplified approach is applied to trade receivables while the general approach is applied to cash and cash equivalents and amounts due from related parties.

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2.6 Financial instruments (continued)

2.6.2 *Impairment of financial assets (Continued)*

The simplified approach requires lifetime expected credit losses to be recognised on initial recognition of the receivables. This involves determining the expected loss rates using a provision matrix that is based on the **Company's** historical default rates observed over the expected life of the receivable and adjusted for forward-looking estimates. This is then applied to the gross carrying amount of the receivable to arrive at the loss allowance for the period.

The three-stage (general) approach assesses impairment based on changes in credit risk since initial recognition using the past due criterion and other qualitative indicators such as increase in political risk concerns or other macroeconomic factors and the risk of legal action, sanction or other regulatory penalties that may impair future financial performance. Financial assets classified as stage 1 have their ECL measured as a proportion of their lifetime ECL that results from possible default events that can occur within one year, while assets in stages 2 or 3 have their ECL measured on a lifetime basis.

Under the three-stage approach, the ECL is determined by projecting the probability of default (PD), loss given default (LGD) and exposure at default (EAD) for each individual exposure. The PD is based on default rates determined by external rating agencies for the counterparties. The LGD is determined based on **management's** estimate of expected cash recoveries after considering the cash recovery ratio of the counterparties. The EAD is the total amount outstanding at the reporting period. These three components are multiplied together and adjusted for forward looking information, such as the gross domestic product (GDP) growth rate and inflation rate in Nigeria, to arrive at an ECL which is then discounted to the reporting date and summed. The discount rate used in the ECL calculation is the original effective interest rate or an approximation thereof.

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the related financial assets and the amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss.

2.6.3 *Significant increase in credit risk and default definition*

The Company assesses the credit risk of its financial assets based on the information obtained during periodic review of publicly available information, industry trends and payment records. Based on the analysis of the information provided, the Company identifies the assets that require close monitoring.

Furthermore, financial assets that have been identified to be more than 30 days past due on contractual payments are assessed to have experienced significant increase in credit risk. These assets are grouped as part of stage 2 financial assets where the three-stage approach is applied.

In line with the **Company's** credit risk management practices, a financial asset is defined to be in default when contractual payments have not been received at least 90 days after the contractual payment period. Subsequent to default, the Company carries out active recovery strategies to recover all outstanding payments due on receivables. Where the Company determines that there are no realistic prospects of recovery, the financial asset and any related loss allowance is written off either partially or in full.

2.6.4 *Derecognition*

i. *Financial assets*

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or when it transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition. Gains or losses on derecognition of financial assets are recognised in profit or loss.

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2.6 Financial instruments (continued)

ii. *Financial liabilities*

The Company derecognises a financial liability when it is extinguished i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as a derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised immediately in the statement of profit or loss.

If the modification of the existing liability does not meet the requirements for de-recognition of the existing liability, the difference in the carrying amount and the modified liability amount is recognised immediately as a modification gain or loss in profit or loss.

2.6.5 *Offsetting of financial assets and financial liabilities*

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts, and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The legally enforceable right is not contingent on future events and is enforceable in the normal course of business, and in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy of the Company or the counterparty.

2.7 Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs to sell.

Cost comprises raw materials, direct labour, other direct costs and related production overheads (based on normal operating capacity), incurred in bringing inventory to its present location and condition but excludes borrowing costs.

The cost of engineering spares and fuel is determined using the weighted average method. Work-in-progress are valued at purchase cost incurred to date.

The cost of packing materials is determined using the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method and comprises purchase cost and other direct costs, incurred in bringing packing materials to its present location and condition but excludes borrowing costs.

Allowance is made for excessive, obsolete and slow moving items. Write-downs to net realizable value and inventory losses are expensed in the period in which the write-downs or losses occur.

2.8 Trade receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. They are generally due for settlement within 90 days and therefore are all classified as current.

2.9 Other receivables

Other receivables are amounts paid for goods or services which are yet to be received/enjoyed. Other receivables are unsecured and no interest is charged on these receivables. Other receivables have been included in trade and other receivables on the statement of financial position.

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2.10 Statement of cash flows

The statement of cash flows shows the changes in cash and cash equivalents arising during the period from operating activities, investing activities and financing activities.

The cash flows from operating activities are determined by using the indirect method. Profit before tax is therefore adjusted by non-cash items. All income and expenses from non-cash transactions that are attributable to investing or financing activities are eliminated. Interest repayments on external borrowings are presented in financing activities.

In the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash in hand, deposit held at call with banks, other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the statement of financial position, bank overdrafts are shown within bank overdraft in current liabilities.

The cash flows from investing and financing activities are determined by using the direct method.

2.11 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash at hand and deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash.

2.12 Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Trade and other payables are classified as current liabilities if payment is within one year or less. Otherwise, they are classified as non-current liabilities.

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.13 Borrowing costs

General and specific 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.

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.

2.14 Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost; any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any fees or costs that are integral part of the effective interest rate (EIR). EIR is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument or a shorter period, where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial instrument. The calculation takes into account all contractual terms of the financial instrument and includes any fees or incremental costs that are directly attributable to the instrument and are an integral part of the Effective Interest Rate (EIR), but not future credit losses.

The EIR amortisation is included in interest expense in the statement of profit or loss.

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2.14 Borrowings (Continued)

Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities are recognised as transaction costs of the loan to the extent that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down. In this case, the fee is deferred until the draw-down occurs. To the extent there is no evidence that it is probable that some or all of the facility will be drawn down, the fee is capitalised as a pre-payment for liquidity services and amortised over the period of the facility to which it relates.

Borrowings are derecognised from the statement of financial position when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying amount of a financial liability that has been extinguished or transferred to another party and the consideration paid, including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss as other income or finance costs.

Where the terms of a financial liability are renegotiated and the entity issues equity instruments to a creditor to extinguish all or part of the liability (debt for equity swap), a gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss, which is measured as the difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability and the fair value of the equity instruments issued.

2.15 Provision for decommissioning liabilities

Provision for decommissioning liabilities associated with the **Company's** mining operations are based on land restoration processes and analysis of site conditions such as projected pit area, borrow material area, waste dump area and top soil dump area.

Under the Nigerian Minerals and Mining Act 2007 and the Health, Safety, and Reclamation Code, the primary objective of the reclamation plan will be to return, where practical, all areas disturbed by mining operations to an acceptable land use and capability. The reclamation method is forestry reclamation approach after mining activities. The disturbed mining areas are to be back filled, compacted, re-graded and re-vegetated to support forest land uses.

Decommissioning provisions are measured at the present value of the expected future cash flows that will be required to perform the site reclamation. The effect of the time to expected closure will be reflected in the discounting of the provision. The discount rate used is the pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risk specific to the liability. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognised as finance cost in profit or loss.

Decommissioning provisions are updated at each statement of financial position date for changes in the estimates of the amount or timing of future cash flows and changes in the discount rate. Changes to provisions that relate to site reclamation cost are added to or deducted from the carrying amount of the related asset in the current period.

2.16 Revenue recognition

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, net of Value Added Tax, excise duties, returns, customer discounts and other sales-related discounts. Revenue from the sale of products is recognised in profit or loss when the contract has been approved by both parties, rights have been clearly identified, payment terms have been defined, the contract has commercial substance, and collectability has been ascertained as probable. Collectability of **customer's** payments is ascertained based on the **customer's** historical records, guarantees provided, the **customer's** industry and advance payments made if any.

The five step recognition process for revenue is listed below:

- Identify the contract with a customer
- Identify the performance obligations in the contract.
- Determine the transaction price.
- Allocate the prices to the performance obligations.
- Recognise revenue.

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2.16 Revenue recognition (continued)

The probability that a customer would make payment is ascertained based on the evaluation done on the customer at the inception of the contract. The Company is the principal in all of its revenue arrangements since it is the primary obligor in the revenue arrangements, has inventory risk and determines the pricing for the goods and services.

Sale of goods

Revenue is recognised when the control of the goods is transferred to the customer. This occurs when the goods are delivered to the customer or when goods are picked up by the customers. This represents the single performance obligation in all revenue contracts with customers.

Revenue from sale of cement is recognised based on the price specified in the contract, net of the estimated rebates and returns. Rebates are estimated at the inception of the contract except where the time lag between the recognition of revenue and granting rebates is within the same month. Returns on goods are estimated at the inception of the contract except where the timing between when the revenue is recognised and when the returns occur is considered immaterial. In these instances, the returns are accounted for when they occur.

Advance payment made by customers for goods are deferred and recognised as contract liabilities in the statement of financial position.

The delivery service provided by the Company is a sales fulfillment activity and the income earned is recognised at the point in time when the goods are delivered to the customer.

Delivery of cement is done via third-party haulage service providers. The Company charges customers a separate fee for shipping and handling costs which serves as a direct reimbursement of costs paid to the third party for shipping.

Delivery occurs when the goods have been shipped to the specific location, the risks of obsolescence and loss have been transferred to the customer, and when the customer has accepted the products in accordance with the sales contract, or the acceptance provisions have lapsed, or the Company has objective evidence that all criteria for acceptance have been satisfied.

Disaggregation of revenue from contract with customers

The Company recognises revenue from the transfer of goods at a point in time from the sale of bagged cement and bulk cement. The Company has determined that the disaggregation of revenue based on the criteria of stream of revenue meets the disaggregation of revenue disclosure requirement of IFRS 15. It depicts how the nature, amount, timing and uncertainty of revenue and cash flows are affected by economic factors. See further details in Note 5.

2.17 Other income

This comprises profit from sale of property, plant and equipment, profit from sale of scraps and insurance claim etc. Income arising from disposal of items of property, plant and equipment and scraps is recognised at the time when transactions are finalised and ownership transferred by the Company. The profit on disposal is calculated as the difference between the net proceeds and the carrying amount of the assets.

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2.18 Expenses

Expenses are recognised as they accrue during the course of the year. Analysis of expenses recognised in the statement of profit or loss is presented in classification based on the function of the expenses.

The Company classifies its expenses as follows:

- Cost of sales;
- Selling and Distribution expenses;
- Administrative expenses;

a) Cost of goods sold

These are the direct costs attributable to the production of the cement sold by the Company. These costs includes directly attributable costs such as the cost of direct materials, direct labour, energy costs, as well as production overheads, including depreciation of production facilities. The cost of goods sold includes write-downs of inventories where necessary.

b) Distribution and selling expenses

These comprise of the cost of marketing, the sales organization, and distribution logistics.

c) Administrative expenses

These comprise of the cost of running the administrative function of the Company.

2.19 Segment reporting

Operating segments are reported in a manner consistent with the internal reporting provided to the chief operating decision maker. The chief operating decision maker, who is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments, has been identified as the BUA Cement leadership team which comprises of the members of the Board of Directors and other executive officers.

Segment information is required to be presented in respect of the **Company's** business and geographical segment, where **applicable. The Company's primary format for segment reporting is based on operating segments. The operating segments are** determined by management based on the **Company's** internal reporting structure. Where applicable, segment results, assets and liabilities include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis.

Management assessed that the Company has only one operating segment arising from the sale of cement. The Company's internal reporting structure is based on this operating segment.

2.20 Current and deferred income tax

The tax for the period comprises current, education and deferred taxes. Tax is recognised in profit or loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity. In this case the tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or directly in equity respectively.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax bases used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Such assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

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2.20 Current and deferred income tax (Continued)

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profits will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered. Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply in the period when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. Deferred tax is charged or credited to profit or loss, except when it relates to items charged or credited to other comprehensive income or equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in other comprehensive income or equity.

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 by the same taxation authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax liabilities on a net basis. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are presented as non-current in the statement of financial position.

2.21 Employee benefits

Pension scheme - Defined contribution scheme

In line with the Pension Reform Act 2004, the Company operates a defined contribution scheme; employees are entitled to join the scheme immediately they are employed. Contributions are made on a percentage of the employee's basic, transport and rent allowances by the employee and the Company. The Company has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expenses when they are due.

Pension scheme - Defined benefit scheme

The estimates of the terminal benefit obligations are calculated periodically, with the assistance of independent actuaries, using the projected unit credit method. This method considers best estimate actuarial assumptions including the probable future length of the **employees'** service, the **employees'** final pay, the expected average life expectancy and probable turnover of beneficiaries. The obligations are discounted based upon appropriate discount rates.

The current period expense comprises the increase in the obligation, which results from the additional benefits earned by the employees in the period, and the interest expense, which results from the outstanding pension obligation. The current period expenses related to the defined benefit plan are recorded in cost of sales, selling and distribution and administrative expenses based on the beneficiaries and the plan. Actuarial gains or losses are charged or credited to other comprehensive income in the period which they arise and it is accumulated in a separate reserve in equity.

Short-term benefits

Short term employee benefit obligations which include wages, salaries, bonuses and other allowances for current employees are measured on an undiscounted basis and recognised and expensed in the Company's statement of profit or loss as the employees render such services.

A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term benefits if the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay the amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

2.22 Finance income

Finance income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the gross carrying amount of a financial asset except for financial assets that subsequently become credit-impaired. For credit-impaired financial assets the effective interest rate is applied to the net carrying amount of the financial asset (after deduction of the loss allowance).

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2.23 Finance cost

Finance cost comprises interest expense on borrowings. Borrowing costs that are not directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

2.24 Earnings per share

Basic earnings per share is computed by dividing the profit or loss attributable to owners of the Company by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period. Diluted earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to the owners of the Company, by the weighted average number of shares outstanding after adjusting for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares.

2.25 Share capital, reserves and dividends

(i) Share capital

The Company has only one class of shares i.e. ordinary shares. Ordinary shares are classified as equity.

(ii) Reserves

Reserves include all current and prior period retained earnings, share premium, reorganisation reserve and reserve on actuarial valuation of defined benefit plan.

(iii) Dividends

Dividends on ordinary shares are recognised as a liability and deducted from equity when they are approved by the **Company's** shareholders. Interim dividends are deducted from equity when they are declared and no longer at the discretion of the company. Dividends for the year that are approved after the statement of financial position date are disclosed as an event after the statement of financial position.

2.26 Comparatives

Except when a standard or an interpretation permits or requires otherwise, all amounts are reported or disclosed with comparative information.

2.27 Leases

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, 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. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Company assesses whether:

- the contract involves the use of an identified asset; This may be specified explicitly or implicitly. If the supplier has a substantive substitution right, then the asset is not identified;
- the Company has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset throughout the period of use; and
- the Company has the right to direct the use of the asset. The Company has this right when it has the decision-making rights that are most relevant to changing how and for what purpose the asset is used.

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2.27 Leases (continued)

The Company primarily leases buildings (used as office space and warehouse). The lease terms are typically for fixed periods ranging from 1 year to 2 years but may have extension options as described below. On renewal of a lease, the terms may be renegotiated.

Contracts may contain both lease and non-lease components. The Company has elected not to separate lease and non-lease components and instead accounts for these as a single lease component. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain different terms and conditions, including extension and termination options. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants, however, leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes.

Leases in which the Company is a lessee

Leases are recognised as a right-of-use asset and a corresponding liability on the date at which the leased asset is available for use by the Company. The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term on a straight-line basis.

Lease liabilities

At the commencement date of a lease, the Company recognises lease liabilities measured at the present value of lease payments to be made over the lease term. Lease liabilities include the net present value of the following lease payments:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable
- variable lease payments that are based on an index or a rate
- amounts expected to be payable by the Company under residual value guarantees
- the exercise price of a purchase option if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise that option, and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the Company exercising that option.

Lease payments to be made under reasonably certain extension options are also included in the measurement of the liability. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are recognised as expenses in the period in which the event or condition that triggers the payment occurs.

Right of use assets

Right-of-use assets are initially measured at cost, comprising of the following:

- the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received
- any initial direct costs, and
- restoration costs.

The right-of-use asset and lease liability are presented separately from other non-lease assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position.

2.28 Government grant

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the Company will comply with all attached conditions. Government grants relating to costs are deferred and recognised in profit or loss over the period necessary to match them with the cost that they are intended to compensate.

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2.29 Business combination under common control

Business combinations in which all of the combining entities or businesses are ultimately controlled by the same party or parties both before and after the business combination (and where that control is not transitory), are referred to as common control transactions. The accounting policy for the acquiring entity is to account for the transaction at book values in its financial statements, as a result, no goodwill is recognised. Any difference between the acquirer's cost of investment and the acquiree's equity is presented separately in the re-organisation reserve in equity.

The Company has adopted the predecessor method of accounting for entities under common control. The book values of the acquired entity are the book values as reflected in the annual financial statements of the selling entity. Any non-controlling interest is measured as a proportionate share of the book values of the related assets and liabilities. Any expenses of the combination are written off immediately in the profit or loss.

Comparative amounts are restated as if the combination had taken place at the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented and adjustments are made to achieve uniform accounting policies - adopting the surviving/acquiring entity.

3 Financial risk management

3.1 Financial risk factors

The **Company's** business activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including foreign exchange, interest rate, and price), credit risk and liquidity risk. The objective of the Company's risk management programme is to minimise **potential adverse impacts on the Company's financial performance**.

Risk management is carried out in line with policies approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors ("the Board"), provides principles for overall risk management, as well as set the overall risk appetite for the Company. Specific risk management approaches are defined for respective risks such as foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk, credit risk, and investment of excess liquidity. The **Company's** overall risk management program seeks to minimise potential adverse effects **on the Company's financial performance**.

Risk management is the responsibility of the Treasury Manager, who aims to effectively manage the financial risk of the Company according to the policies approved by the Board of Directors. The Treasury Manager identifies and monitors financial risk. The Board provides principles for overall risk management, as well as policies covering specific areas such as foreign exchange, interest rates and credit risks, use of financial instruments and investment of excess liquidity.

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables (excluding prepayments), trade and other payables (excluding government grant), due from/to related parties.

3.1.1 Market risk

(i) *Foreign exchange risk*

The Company is exposed to foreign exchange risk from some of its commercial transaction. Management minimises the effect of the currency exposure by buying foreign currencies when rates are relatively low and using them to settle bills when due. The Company is predominately exposed to the US Dollar and Euro.

The table below shows the closing balance of US Dollar and Euro denominated financial instruments and the impact on the Company's loss and equity if the exchange rate between the US Dollar, Euro and the Nigerian Naira had increased or decreased by 10% with all other variables held constant.

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3.1.1 Market risk (continued)

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Foreign currency denominated balances		
Trade payables	382,174	11,028,315
Due from related parties	-	(470,663)
Cash and cash equivalents	(1,014,091)	(801,836)
	<u>631,918</u>	<u>9,755,816</u>
Effect of 10% increase in exchange rate	63,192	975,582
Effect of 10% decrease in exchange rate	(63,192)	(975,582)

(ii) *Price risk*

The Company is not exposed to price risk.

(iii) *Interest rate risk*

The Company's operations are partly financed by loans obtained from Nigerian banks. Interest payable on such loans are charged by the banks to the Company.

The Company's interest rate risk arises from borrowings from the banks. Interest on bank borrowings are at fixed and floating.

The Company's policy on managing interest rate risk is to negotiate favorable terms with the banks to reduce the impact of exposure to this risk and to obtain competitive rates for loans obtained and for deposits held with the banks.

The table below shows the impact on the Company's net assets if interest rates on variable interest rate loans increased or decreased by 5%, with all other variables held constant. Mainly as a result of higher or lower interest expense.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Effect of 5% increase in interest rates	(806,365)	(272,947)
Effect of 5% decrease in interest rates	806,365	272,947

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3.1.2 Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Company. The Company is exposed to credit risk from cash and cash equivalents as well as credit exposures to customers, including outstanding receivables from related parties.

The Company uses policies to ensure that sale of products are to customers with appropriate credit history. The granting of credit is controlled by credit limits and the application of certain terms of sale. The Company carries out its business mostly on a cash and carry basis. Individual customers make cash deposits before delivery of goods and corporate customers make payment within 3 months after goods are delivered.

No credit limits were exceeded during the reporting period and none of the counterparties renegotiated their terms in the reporting year. Management's expected credit loss as a result of non-performance by these counterparties is disclosed in the 'impairment of financial assets' section below.

The maximum exposure to credit risk for cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables and due from related parties approximates the amount recognised on the statement of financial position. The Company does not hold any collateral as security.

To measure the expected credit losses, financial assets have been grouped based on shared credit risk characteristics and the days past due.

Impairment of financial assets

The Company's financial assets that are subject to IFRS 9's new expected credit loss model are as follows:

- Trade receivables
- Amount due from related parties and;
- Cash and cash equivalents.

While cash and cash equivalents are also subject to the impairment requirements of IFRS 9, the identified impairment loss was immaterial.

i. *Trade receivables*

The Company applies the simplified approach in measuring the expected credit losses (ECL) which calculates a lifetime expected loss allowance (ECL) for all trade receivables. Trade receivables represent the amount receivable from customers for the sale of goods in the ordinary course of business. The expected credit loss for trade receivables is determined using a provision matrix approach.

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3.1.2 Credit risk (continued)

The expected loss rates as at 31 December 2020 are as follows:

Age of trade receivables	0 - 30 days N'000	31 - 90 days N'000	91 - 180 days N'000	181 - 365 days N'000	Over 365 days N'000	Total N'000
Gross carrying amount*	60,346	-	179,730	222,140	8,351	470,568
Default rate	0.06%	0.18%	0.24%	0.35%	100%	
Lifetime ECL	36	-	431	-	-	468
Net trade receivables	60,310	-	179,299	222,140	8,351	470,100

The expected loss rates as at 31 December 2019 are as follows:

Age of trade receivables	0 - 30 days N'000	31 - 90 days N'000	91 - 180 days N'000	181 - 365 days N'000	Over 365 days N'000	Total N'000
Gross carrying amount*	186,113	-	66,553	-	101,892	354,558
Default rate	0.03%	0.09%	0.12%	0.18%	100%	
Lifetime ECL	59	-	82	-	101,892	102,033
Net trade receivables	186,054	-	66,471	-	-	252,525

*The reconciliation of the gross carrying amount for trade receivables is as follows:

	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
Gross carrying amount as at 1 January	354,558	189,370
Additions during the year	3,841,427	7,000,504
Rebates offered to customers in the year	(208,935)	(1,080,298)
Receivables written off in the year	-	(26,920)
Receipts for the year	(3,516,482)	(5,728,098)
Gross carrying amount as at 31 December	470,568	354,558

ii. *Amounts due from related parties*

Amounts due from related parties arises from expenses incurred on behalf of related parties. The general (3 stage) approach has been adopted for recognising expected credit loss on amounts due from related parties as they do not meet the criteria for applying the simplified approach.

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3.1.2 Credit risk (continued)

ii. *Amounts due from related parties (continued)*

The three-stage model requires monitoring of credit risk to determine when there has been a significant increase. The ECL has been calculated using the Probability of default (PD), Loss Given Default (LGD) and Exposure at Default (EAD). The three (3) stage model also incorporates forward-looking estimates.

	Stage 1 12-month ECL N'000	Stage 2 Lifetime ECL N'000	Stage 3 Lifetime ECL N'000	Total N'000
At 31 December 2020				
Gross EAD*	-	-	-	-
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2020	-	-	-	-
Net EAD	-	-	-	-
At 31 December 2019				
Gross EAD*	18,016,340	-	-	18,016,340
Loss allowance as at 31 December 2019	(1,262,490)	-	-	(1,262,490)
Net EAD	16,753,850	-	-	16,753,850

*The reconciliation of the gross carrying amount for amount due from related parties is as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Gross carrying amount as at 1 January	18,016,340	67,382,139
Additions during the year	-	186,103,931
Unrealised exchange loss on related party balances	-	-
Receipts for the year	(18,016,340)	(235,469,729)
Gross carrying amount as at 31 December	-	18,016,340

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3.1.2 Credit risk (continued)

iii. *Cash and cash equivalents*

The Company also assessed the cash and cash equivalents to determine their expected credit losses. Based on this assessment, they identified the expected losses on cash as at 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2020 to be insignificant, as the loss rate is deemed immaterial. Cash and cash equivalents are assessed to be in stage 1.

Sensitivity of estimates used in IFRS 9 ECL

In establishing sensitivity to ECL estimates for trade receivables and related parties receivables, three variables (GDP growth rate, Exchange rate and Inflation rate) were considered. Of these variables, the Company's receivables portfolio reflects greater responsiveness to Exchange rate and inflation rates.

The table below shows information on the sensitivity of the carrying amounts of the **Company's** financial assets to the methods, assumptions and estimates used in calculating impairment losses on those financial assets at the end of the reporting period. Changes to these methods, assumptions and estimates may result in material adjustments to the carrying amounts of the **Company's financial assets**.

Estimation uncertainty in measuring impairment loss

i. *Trade receivables*

a. *Expected cash flow recoverable:*

The table below demonstrates the sensitivity to a 10% change in the expected cash flows from trade receivables, with all other variables held constant:

	Effect on profit before tax	
	2020	2019
Increase/(decrease) in estimated cash flows	N'000	N'000
-10%	-	127,191
+10%	-	(155,455)

b. *Forward looking macro-economic variables:*

This table shows the sensitivity of the expected credit loss to an inverse and positive change to each forward-looking macro variables, with all other variables held constant:

		GDP growth rate		
		-10%	Held constant	+10%
		N'000	N'000	N'000
Effect on expected credit loss 2020				
	+10%	-	-	-
Inflation Rate	Held Constant	-	-	-
	-10%	-	-	-
Effect on expected credit loss 2019				
	+10%	(850)	4,774	10,397
Inflation Rate	Held Constant	(5,624)	-	5,624
	-10%	(10,397)	(4,774)	850

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Estimation uncertainty in measuring impairment loss (Continued)

ii. *Amounts due from related parties*

The table below demonstrates the sensitivity to movements in the following inputs for amount due from related parties with all other variables held constant:

Probability of default (PD)	Effect on profit before tax	
	2020	2019
Increase/(decrease) in probability of default	N'000	N'000
-10%	-	1,151,770
+10%	-	(1,405,360)

Loss given default (LGD)	Effect on profit before tax	
	2020	2019
Increase/(decrease) in loss given default	N'000	N'000
-10%	-	1,151,770
+10%	-	-

Forward looking macroeconomic indicators		GDP growth rate		
		-10%	Held constant	+10%
Effect on expected credit loss 2020		N'000	N'000	N'000
Inflation Rate	-10%	-	-	-
	Held Constant	-	-	-
	+10%	-	-	-
Effect on expected credit loss 2019				
Inflation Rate	-10%	(7,514)	31,366	70,157
	Held Constant	(38,954)	-	38,863
	+10%	(70,452)	(31,425)	7,511

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3.1.3 *Liquidity risk*

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. Liquidity risk is managed by maintaining sufficient cash reserves at all times so that the Company is able to meet its obligations as they fall due. The Company manages liquidity risk by effective working capital and cash flow management.

The Company invests its surplus cash in interest bearing accounts. At the reporting date the Company had NO.3 billion (2019: N1.6 billion) in current accounts.

Maturity Analysis

The table below analyses the **Company's** financial liabilities into relevant maturity based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Less than 6 months N'000	6 - 12 months N'000	Over 12 months N'000	Total N'000
At 31 December 2020				
Financial liabilities:				
Trade and other payables (Note 18)	5,770,382	-	-	5,770,382
Due to related parties (Note 26b)	34,497,761	-	-	34,497,761
Short-term borrowings (Note 20)	105,648,512	-	-	105,648,512
Debt security issued (Note 21)	-	-	115,000,000	115,000,000
Lease liabilities (Note 13)	-	-	37,317	37,317
	145,916,655	-	115,037,317	260,953,972
At 31 December 2019				
Financial liabilities:				
Trade and other payables (Note 18)	19,843,875	-	-	19,843,875
Due to related parties (Note 26b)	918,741	-	-	918,741
Short-term borrowings (Note 20)	21,423,504	-	-	21,423,504
Lease liabilities (Note 13)	-	41,677	6,675	48,352
	42,186,120	41,677	6,675	42,234,472

Value added tax, withholding tax and other statutory related items are excluded as they are non-financial instruments.

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3.2 Fair value estimation

The carrying values of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, amounts due to/from related parties and borrowings approximate their fair value.

3.3 Fair value hierarchy

All the Company's financial assets and liabilities are measured at amortised cost. The carrying amounts of all financial assets and liabilities at the reporting date approximate their fair value.

3.4 Financial instruments by category

	At 31 December 2020		At 31 December 2019	
	Financial assets at amortised	Financial liabilities at amortised cost	Financial assets at amortised cost	Financial liabilities at amortised cost
	N'000	N'000	N'000	N'000
Financial assets				
Trade and other receivables	461,635	-	252,525	-
Due from related parties	-	-	16,753,850	-
Cash and cash equivalents	123,821,089	-	15,586,664	-
Financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	-	5,770,382	-	19,843,875
Due to related parties	-	34,497,761	-	918,741
Short-term borrowings	-	105,648,512	-	21,423,504
Long-term borrowings	-	50,449,387	-	-
Current Lease liabilities	-	-	-	41,677
Non current lease liabilities	-	37,317	-	6,675
Debt security issued	-	113,195,044	-	-
	124,282,724	309,598,403	32,593,039	42,234,472

Value added tax, withholding tax and other statutory related items are excluded as they are non-financial instruments.

3.5 Capital risk management

The objective of managing capital is to safeguard the **Company's** ability to continue as a going concern in order to maximise returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders as well as maintaining the optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, capital returned to shareholders, new shares issued, or debt raised.

The Company monitors capital using the gearing ratio. This is determined as the proportion of net debt to equity. No formal debt/equity target has been established.

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3.5 Capital risk management continued

The gearing ratios at year end is as follows:

	Note	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Debt	i	156,097,899	21,423,504
Cash and cash equivalents		(123,821,089)	(15,586,664)
Net debt		32,276,810	5,836,840
Equity	ii	375,954,728	363,697,242
Gearing ratio		9%	2%

Note i: Debt is defined as long and short term borrowings including bank overdraft.

Note ii: Equity includes all capital and reserves of the Company.

Loan covenants

Under the terms of the major borrowing facilities, the Company is required to comply with the following financial covenants:

- The Company shall not enter into a merger, demerger, or change in ownership structure without the written consent of the bank.
- The Company shall provide the bank with a copy of its audited statement of financial position and profit or loss accounts within 120 days of the end of the financial year.

The Company complied with these covenants and has thus classified all outstanding borrowings as current and non-current liabilities in the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020.

4 Critical accounting estimates, judgments

4.1 Critical accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements requires Directors to use judgment in applying its accounting policies and estimates and assumptions about the future. Estimates and other judgments are continuously evaluated and are based on Directors experience and other factors, including expectations about future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Significant accounting judgment and estimate made in the preparation of the financial statements is shown below.

4.1.1 Useful life and residual value of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets.

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets with definite life are depreciated over their useful life. The Company estimates the useful lives of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets based on the period over which the assets are expected to be available for use. The estimation of the useful lives of plant and machinery are based on technical evaluations carried out by those staff with knowledge of the machines and experience with similar assets. Estimates could change if expectations differ due to physical wear and tear and technical or commercial obsolescence.

It is possible however, that future results of operations could be materially affected by changes in the estimates brought about by changes in factors mentioned above. The amounts and timing of expenses for any period would be affected by changes in these factors and circumstances. A reduction in the estimated useful lives or residual values of the plant and machinery would increase expenses and decrease the value of non-current assets.

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4.1.2 Provision for decommissioning liabilities

The Board of Directors exercises significant judgement in estimating provision for restoration/decommissioning costs. Should these estimates vary, profit or loss and statement of financial position in the following years would be impacted. The estimation of the decommissioning costs is based on technical evaluations carried out by staff and experts with knowledge of the site and experience with similar assets. Estimated costs of restoring, where practical, all areas disturbed by mining operations to an acceptable land use and capability are based on expected future value of current market prices based on inflation rates. This is discounted to a present value using the yield on long term risk free bonds over the expected useful life of the sites.

Estimates could change due to changes in inflation rate, expected useful life of assets, yield on risk free bonds and market prices. The amount and timing of expenses for any period would be affected by changes in these factors and circumstances. A reduction in the estimated costs could reduce the cost of the mines and reduce interest expense.

4.1.3 Impairment of financial assets

The loss allowances for financial assets are based on assumptions about risk of default, expected loss rates and maximum contractual period. The Company uses judgement in making these assumptions and selecting the inputs to the impairment calculation, based on the **Company's** past history, existing market conditions as well as forward looking estimates at the end of each reporting period. Details of the key assumptions and inputs used are disclosed in note (3.1.2).

4.1.4 Determining the lease term

In determining the lease term, management considers all facts and circumstances that create an economic incentive to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option. Extension options (or periods after termination options) are only included in the lease term if the lease is reasonably certain to be extended (or not terminated).

The following factors are normally the most relevant:

- If there are significant penalties to terminate (or not extend), the Company is typically reasonably certain to extend (or not terminate).
- If any leasehold improvements are expected to have a significant remaining value, the Company is typically reasonably certain to extend (or not terminate).
- Otherwise, the Company considers other factors, including historical lease durations and the costs and business disruption required to replace the leased asset.

The lease term is reassessed if an option is actually exercised (or not exercised) or the Company becomes obliged to exercise (or not exercise) it. The assessment of reasonable certainty is only revised if a significant event or a significant change in circumstances occurs, which affects this assessment, and is within the control of the lessee. During the financial year, there were no revised lease terms.

4.1.5 Deferred tax asset

The Company is subject to income taxes within Nigeria, which does not require much judgment in terms of provision for income taxes but a certain level of judgment is required for recognition of the deferred tax assets. Management is required to assess the ability of the Company to generate future taxable economic earnings that will utilize the deferred tax assets. Assumptions over the generation of future taxable profits depends on management's estimates of future cash flows. This estimate of future taxable income is based on forecast cash flows from operations.

4.1.6 Defined benefit plan

The present value of the Company's defined benefit plan and the related current service cost and past service cost, are measured using the Projected Unit Credit (PUC) Method. This method considers best estimate actuarial assumptions including the probable future length of the **employees'** service, the **employees'** final pay, the expected average life expectancy and probable turnover of beneficiaries. Details of assumptions made in arriving at the defined benefit obligation are disclosed in note 11b.

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5 Revenue from contracts with customers

The Company derives revenue from the transfer of goods at a point in time in the following major product categories:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Sale of bagged cement	209,005,779	174,868,984
Sale of bulk cement	437,708	649,342
	<u>209,443,487</u>	<u>175,518,326</u>

The Company's transactions in 2020 with two major customers which contributed more than 10% each of the total revenue from the sale of cement is N60.1 billion (2019: N46.6 billion).

a Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue from contracts with customers is disaggregated by primary geographical market and timing of revenue recognition.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(i) Primary geographical markets		
Nigeria	208,015,930	170,459,609
Outside Nigeria	1,427,557	5,058,717
	<u>209,443,487</u>	<u>175,518,326</u>

(ii) Timing of revenue recognition

The Company derives revenue from the transfer of goods and services at a point in time.

b Liabilities relating to contracts with customers

The Company has recognised the following liabilities relating to contracts with customers:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Contract liabilities	42,138,330	32,868,945

The following shows the movement in contract liabilities during the year

	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
Balance as at 1 January	32,868,945	7,936,831
Payments received in advance of satisfaction of performance obligation/discount offered	241,887,242	196,045,074
Revenue recognised for goods previously paid for	(232,617,857)	(171,112,960)
	<u>42,138,330</u>	<u>32,868,945</u>

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	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
6 Impairment (write back)/charge on financial assets		
Impairment (writeback)/charge on trade and other receivables (Note 17ii)	(93,100)	141
Impairment write back on due from related parties (Note 26c)	(1,262,490)	(3,758,368)
	<u>(1,355,590)</u>	<u>(3,758,227)</u>
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
7.1 Expenses by nature		
Raw materials	21,279,956	11,741,425
Energy consumption	43,054,993	36,293,488
Staff cost (Note 7.3)	8,099,100	7,868,242
Amortisation of intangible assets (Note 14)	227,871	147,968
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment (Note 12)	15,199,012	13,946,325
Depreciation of right of use (Note 13)	56,191	37,771
Audit fee	111,514	114,225
Consultancy fees*	195,083	194,553
Other repairs and maintenance expenses	5,368,495	3,607,447
Operation and maintenance service charges	26,654,721	25,411,909
Cement haulage charges	203,824	148,940
Management and technical support fees	1,940,257	1,901,948
Office running expenses	485,921	686,539
Advertising and sales promotion cost	428,964	431,755
Water supply	73,459	108,931
Communication expenses	156,363	105,534
Security expenses	555,286	453,601
Subscription dues	40,579	32,689
Transportation and travelling expenses	208,487	363,800
Bank charges	537,056	635,043
Refractories cost	383,694	320,297
Insurance	481,614	443,008
Rental expense	7,748	7,011
Foreign exchange loss	616,147	183,227
Merger and listing fees	37,212	1,322,507
Directors' emoluments	142,736	126,149
Directors' expenses	66,856	-
Donation	753,645	89,769
Other expenses	1,785,797	1,174,682
	<u>129,152,581</u>	<u>107,898,783</u>

*Consultancy fees include tax, legal and administrative fees

*There were no fees incurred in the year for non-audit services provided by the auditors of the Company (2019: Nil).

Non-audit services provided by other professionals in respect of the financial statements are as follows:

Name of professional	FRC number of the professional	Name of firm	Nature of service
Rotimi Okpaise (FIA, ASA)	FRC/2012/NAS/00000000738	Ernst & Young	Actuarial
Oluwole Obayomi (FCIT)	FRC/2014/CITN/00000010157	KPMG	Tax

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	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
7.2 Expenses summarised as follows:		
Cost of sales	113,964,695	93,075,294
Administrative expenses	10,320,437	10,516,380
Distribution and selling expenses	4,867,449	4,307,109
	<u>129,152,581</u>	<u>107,898,783</u>
7.3 Staff costs		
Staff salaries and allowances	7,962,943	7,262,769
Directors' emolument	142,736	126,149
Staff welfare and training	136,222	146,697
Medical expenses	135,902	68,118
Pension (employer contribution)	219,534	178,980
Defined benefit plan (Note 11b):		
- Current service cost	688,606	152,276
- Plan amendment	(1,186,842)	(66,747)
	<u>8,099,100</u>	<u>7,868,242</u>
8 Other income		
Sundry income	35,671	7,789
Insurance claim	110,410	15,919
Amortisation of government grant (Note 22)	229,438	26,287
Profit on disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	253
	<u>375,519</u>	<u>50,248</u>
9 Finance income and costs		
(a) Finance income		
Interest income	859,618	157,002
	<u>859,618</u>	<u>157,002</u>
(b) Finance costs		
Interest expense on lease liability	3,756	5,827
Interest expense on bond	24,951	-
Interest expense on defined benefit obligation	433,600	305,426
Interest expense on bank loans (Note 20a)	2,968,068	3,132,484
Other finance costs		
Interest on funding from related party**	13,159,223	2,326,458
Unwinding of provision for decommissioning liabilities (Note 19)*	286,949	280,572
	<u>16,876,547</u>	<u>6,044,940</u>
Amount capitalised***	<u>(13,039,677)</u>	<u>(695,884)</u>
Finance costs expensed	<u>3,836,870</u>	<u>5,349,056</u>
Net finance cost	<u>2,977,252</u>	<u>5,192,054</u>

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9 Finance income and costs (continued)

*The unwinding of provision for liabilities is due to passage of time in recognition of the present value of the future obligation relating to restoration of quarries being mined by the Company as at year end. Amount is non-cash and has been adjusted for in cash generated from operating activities in the statement of cash flows.

**This relates to interest incurred on funding provided by related parties for construction. Interest expense incurred during the construction phase has been capitalised as part of property, plant and equipment in line with IAS 23 (Borrowing cost).

***Capitalised borrowing costs

The capitalisation rate used to determine the amount of borrowing costs to be capitalised is the effective interest rate (EIR) applicable to the **Company's** specific and general borrowings that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. The determined rate is 13% (2019: 19%).

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
10 Taxation		
(a) Income tax charge		
Minimum tax	171,265	11,462
Tertiary education tax	681,809	460,599
Current income tax charge	-	-
*Pioneer status adjustment	-	-
Total current income tax charge	681,809	460,599
Police trust fund levy	-	3,228
Deferred tax charge	5,847,353	5,150,389
Income tax charge	6,529,162	5,614,216

*The Company applied to the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC) for a pioneer status for its Production Line 2 in Kalambaina, Sokoto State and an extension for its existing pioneer status on the Okpella Production Line 1, Edo State. The pioneer status were approved on 26 February 2020 covering a three-year and a two-year period respectively. As a result, no current income tax has been accrued on the pioneer profits in the year. In line with IFRIC 21, N171.3 million (2019: N11.5 million) arising from minimum tax computations is included in the charge for the year on the statement of financial position but above the line in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year.

Profit is apportioned between the plants on the basis of cement dispatched from the plants.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(b) Current income tax liabilities		
The movement in current income tax liabilities is as follows:		
Opening balance	813,724	2,257,725
Provision for the year	853,074	472,061
Police trust fund levy	-	3,228
Payment during the year	(744,369)	(1,919,290)
Closing balance	922,428	813,724

A reconciliation of the company's tax expense and the product of accounting profit multiplied by domestic tax rate for the year ended 31 December 2020 is as follows:

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10 Taxation (continued)

(b) Current income tax liabilities (continued)

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Profit before tax	78,873,498	66,224,501
Tax at 30% statutory tax rate	23,662,049	19,870,789
<i>Adjustments:</i>		
Tertiary education tax	681,809	460,599
Police trust fund levy	-	3,228
Effect of permanent difference	1,397,651	1,948,283
Pioneer status adjustment	(19,095,400)	(16,556,357)
Deferred education tax	(116,947)	(112,326)
Income tax charge	6,529,162	5,614,216

(c) Deferred tax assets

	30 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Opening balance	12,140,877	10,972,246
Deferred tax reclassification	(12,140,877)	1,168,631
Closing balance	-	12,140,877

Deferred tax asset relates to unutilised capital allowances, unrealised exchange loss and provision on the Company's Okpella Production Line 1 and Kalambaina Production Line 2, to the extent that the realisation of the related tax benefit through future taxable profits is probable. All deferred tax assets are deemed to be recoverable after 12 months.

	Property, plant and equipment N'000	Unrealised exchange difference N'000	Provisions and others N'000	Total N'000
At 1 January 2020	10,579,840	28,535	1,532,502	12,140,877
Reclassification to deferred tax liabilities	(10,579,840)	(28,535)	(1,532,502)	(12,140,877)
At 31 December 2020	-	-	-	-
At 1 January 2019	7,073,209	1,075,385	2,823,652	10,972,246
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	3,506,631	(1,046,850)	(1,291,150)	1,168,631
At 31 December 2019	10,579,840	28,535	1,532,502	12,140,877

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10 Taxation (continued)

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(d) Deferred tax liabilities		
Opening balance	7,492,289	1,288,054
Reclassification from deferred tax asset	(12,140,876)	-
Deferred tax charge for the year - profit or loss	5,847,353	6,319,018
Deferred tax credit for the year - OCI	(78,544)	(114,783)
Closing balance	1,120,222	7,492,289

Deferred tax liabilities relates to unutilised capital allowances, employee defined benefit, unrealised exchange loss and provisions on the Company's Kalambaina Production Line 1 and Okpella Production Line 2 which are expected to unwind with passage of time.

	Property, plant and equipment N'000	Unrealised exchange difference N'000	Provisions and others* N'000	Total N'000
At 1 January 2020	(8,467,207)	14,858	960,060	(7,492,289)
Reclassification from deferred tax asset	10,579,840	28,535	1,532,502	12,140,877
Credit to other comprehensive income	-	-	78,544	78,544
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	(4,774,824)	35,152	(1,107,681)	(5,847,353)
At 31 December 2020	(2,662,191)	78,545	1,463,425	(1,120,221)
At 1 January 2019	(1,750,896)	-	462,842	(1,288,054)
Credit to other comprehensive income	-	-	114,783	114,783
Charged/(credited) to profit or loss	(6,716,311)	14,858	382,435	(6,319,018)
At 31 December 2019	(8,467,207)	14,858	960,060	(7,492,289)

*Others relate to deferred tax liabilities arising from the Company's defined benefits plan to employees.

11 Employee benefit obligations

a) Defined contribution plan

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme in line with the provisions of the Pension Reform Act, 2014, **with contributions based on the employees' emoluments in the ratio 8% by the employee and 10% by the employer.**

The **Company's** contributions to this scheme is charged to the profit or loss account in the period to which they relate. Contributions to the scheme are managed by Stanbic IBTC pension manager, and other appointed pension managers on behalf of the beneficiary staff in line with the provisions of the Pension Reform Act.

Consequently, the Company has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the funds do not hold sufficient assets to meet the related obligations to employees.

As at 31 December 2020, the unpaid contribution amounted to N4.6 million (2019: N18.4 million).

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11 Employee benefit obligations (continued)

b) Defined benefit plan

The Company has a retirement benefits policy for certain of its full-time employees who have served the Company for a minimum of 5 years and 2 years for top management staff and other staff categories respectively. All of the plans are final salary pension plans, which provide benefits to members in the form of a guaranteed level of gratuity on retirement or exit. The level of benefits provided depends on **members'** length of service and their salary in the final years leading up to retirement. Employees' mandatory retirement age is 60 years (2019: 60 years).

The valuations of the present value of the defined benefit plan were carried out at 31 December 2020 by Ernst & Young. The present value of the plan and the related current service cost and past service cost, were measured using the Projected Unit Credit (PUC) Method.

In calculating the liabilities, the method:

- i. Recognises the service rendered to the Company by each member of staff at the reporting date.
- ii. Anticipates that salaries will increase between the review date and the eventual exit date of the employee via withdrawal, death or retirement and then;
- iii. Discounts the expected benefit payment to the reporting date.

i) Valuation assumptions

The valuation assumptions fall under two broad categories:

- Financial assumptions
- Demographic assumptions

Risk exposure

Through its defined benefit pension plans the Company is exposed to a number of risks, the most significant of which are detailed below:

Changes in bond yields A decrease in corporate bond yields will increase plan liabilities, although this will **be partially offset by an increase in the value of the plans' bond holdings.**

Inflation risks The **Company's** pension obligations is linked to salary inflation, and higher inflation will lead to higher liabilities (although, in most cases, caps on the level of inflationary increases are in place to protect the plan against extreme inflation).

Life expectancy The majority of the **plans'** obligations are to provide benefits for the life of the member, so increases in life expectancy will result in an increase in the **plans'** liabilities. This is particularly significant in the plan, where inflationary increases result in higher sensitivity to changes in life expectancy.

The principal financial assumptions used for the purposes of the actuarial valuations were as follows:

	31 December 2020	31 December 2019
	%	%
Long term average discount rate per annum	8.5	13.5
Average rate(s) of salary increase per annum	11	12
Average inflation rate per annum	11	11

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11 Employee benefit obligations (continued)

b) Defined benefit plan (continued)

Discount rate

In order to measure the liability, the projected benefit must be discounted to a net present value as at the current statement of financial position date, using an interest assumption (called the discount rate).

IFRS through IAS 19 requires that the discount rate be determined on the **Company's** statement of financial position date by reference to market yields on high quality corporate bonds (except where there is no deep market in such bonds, in which case the discount rate should be based on market yields on Government bonds).

The discount rate should reflect the duration of the liabilities of the benefit programme.

The weighted average liability duration for the plan is 12.75 years. The average weighted duration of the closest Nigerian government bond as at 31 December 2020 was 11.06 years with a gross redemption yield of 7.55%.

The Company has adopted 8.5% (2019: 13.5%) per annum as the discount rate for the current year valuation.

ii. Demographic assumptions

Mortality in service

The rates of mortality assumed for employees are the rates published in the A67/70 Ultimate Tables, published jointly by the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries in the UK.

Sample age	Number of deaths in year of age out of 10,000 lives	
	2020	2019
25	7	7
30	7	7
35	9	9
40	14	14
45	26	26

Withdrawal from service

Age band	2020 rate	2019 rate
Less than or equal to 30	3.0%	3.0%
31 – 35	3.0%	3.0%
36 – 40	3.0%	3.0%
41 – 45	2.0%	2.0%
46 – 55	5.0%	5.0%

- ii) The amount included in the statement of financial position as a result of the entity's obligation in respect of its defined benefit plans is as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Present value of the defined benefit plan	3,645,893	2,908,526

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11 Employee benefit obligations (continued)

b Defined benefit plan (continued)

Reconciliation of change in the present value of the defined benefit plan are as follows:

	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
Balance at beginning of the year	2,908,526	2,201,781
Current service cost	688,606	152,276
Interest cost	433,600	305,426
Plan amendment	(1,186,842)	(66,747)
Actuarial losses/(gains) - Change in assumption	311,931	334,177
Actuarial losses/(gains) - Experience adjustment	590,847	48,434
Benefit paid during the year	(100,775)	(66,821)
Balance at end of the year	3,645,893	2,908,526

Plan amendment is as a result of an amendment in the benefit structure during the financial year ended 31 December 2020. This led to a reduction in past service cost of N1.19 billion.

Amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss in respect of these defined benefit plans are as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Current service cost (Employee cost)	688,606	152,276
Interest on obligation (Finance cost)	433,600	305,426
Defined benefit plan amendment (Employee cost)	(1,186,842)	(66,747)
	(64,636)	390,955

Amounts recognised in other comprehensive income (OCI) are as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Actuarial loss/(gain) on defined benefit plan:		
- Change in assumption	311,931	334,177
- Change in experience adjustment	590,847	48,434
	902,778	382,611
Deferred tax credit	(78,544)	(114,783)
Amount recognised in OCI (net of tax)	824,234	267,828

Net liability recognized in the statement of financial position

	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
Balance at 1 January	2,908,526	2,201,781
Net periodic benefit cost recognised in profit or loss	(64,636)	390,955
Benefit paid during the year	(100,775)	(66,821)
Amount recognised in other comprehensive income	902,778	382,611
Balance at 31 December	3,645,893	2,908,526

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b) Defined benefit plan (continued)

iii) Sensitivity analysis on accrued liability

		Accrued liabilities	
		2020	2019
		N'000	N'000
		3,645,893	2,908,526
Sensitivity base	Parameters		
Discount rate	+1%	3,547,315	3,547,315
	-1%	3,762,680	3,762,680
Salary increase	+1%	3,763,487	3,763,487
	-1%	3,544,708	3,544,708
Mortality experience	Age rated up by 1 year	3,645,064	3,645,064
	Age rated down by 1 year	3,646,634	3,646,634

The above sensitivity analyses are based on a change in an assumption while holding all other assumptions constant. In practice, this is unlikely to occur, and changes in some of the assumptions may be correlated.

The methods and types of assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analysis did not change compared to the prior period.

The weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation is 12.75 years (2019 – 7.61 years). The expected maturity analysis of the defined benefit obligation is as follows:

Year	N'000
2021	27,505
2022	50,262
2023	68,725
2024	175,678
2025	277,299
2026 - 2030	1,746,414

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12 Property, plant and equipment (PPE)

	Land N'000	Buildings N' 000	Plant and machinery N' 000	Furniture and fittings N' 000	Motor vehicles N' 000	Quarry equipment N'000	Tools, computers, laboratory and office equipment N' 000	Trucks N' 000	Capital work in progress N' 000	Total N' 000
Cost										
At 1 January 2020	264,019	59,024,054	353,667,730	443,548	1,212,605	4,824,960	1,172,769	8,693,067	143,722	429,446,474
Additions	199,842	169,654	2,956,867	88,693	206,143	48,810	89,623	-	144,359,206	148,118,838
Transfers	-	96,350	(627,914)	(1,999)	-	-	(12,348)	-	(7,448,000)	(7,993,911)
Changes in estimates (Note 19)	-	-	-	-	-	4,947,207	-	-	-	4,947,207
At 31 December 2020	<u>463,861</u>	<u>59,290,058</u>	<u>355,996,683</u>	<u>530,242</u>	<u>1,418,748</u>	<u>9,820,977</u>	<u>1,250,044</u>	<u>8,693,067</u>	<u>137,054,928</u>	<u>574,518,608</u>
At 1 January 2019	214,372	31,750,670	311,196,272	366,709	925,005	4,756,970	984,856	2,443,067	57,240,138	409,878,059
Additions	36,226	1,217,242	1,407,936	76,984	291,578	1,176,404	187,270	6,250,000	12,845,978	23,489,618
Transfers	13,421	26,056,142	43,872,188	-	-	-	643	-	(69,942,394)	-
Reclassifications	-	-	(2,808,666)	-	-	(1,529,315)	-	-	-	(4,337,981)
Disposals	-	-	-	(145)	(3,978)	-	-	-	-	(4,123)
Changes in estimates (Note 19)	-	-	-	-	-	420,901	-	-	-	420,901
At 31 December 2019	<u>264,019</u>	<u>59,024,054</u>	<u>353,667,730</u>	<u>443,548</u>	<u>1,212,605</u>	<u>4,824,960</u>	<u>1,172,769</u>	<u>8,693,067</u>	<u>143,722</u>	<u>429,446,474</u>

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	Land N'000	Buildings N' 000	Plant and machinery N' 000	Furniture and fittings N' 000	Motor vehicles N' 000	Quarry equipment N'000	Tools, computers, laboratory and office equipment N' 000	Trucks N' 000	Capital work in progress N' 000	Total N' 000
Depreciation										
At 1 January 2020	-	3,212,638	27,741,645	266,095	655,394	1,563,082	534,215	2,067,134	-	36,040,204
Charge for the year	-	1,161,258	10,908,638	42,319	160,887	661,612	90,710	2,173,588	-	15,199,012
Transfers	-	(40)	(18,688)	(729)	-	(322)	(13,656)	-	-	(33,436)
At 31 December 2020	-	4,373,856	38,631,595	307,685	816,281	2,224,372	611,269	4,240,722	-	51,205,779
At 1 January 2019	-	2,159,395	17,654,740	234,677	519,866	1,104,551	458,896	310,535	-	22,442,660
Charge for the year	-	1,053,243	10,360,930	31,418	139,506	529,310	75,319	1,756,599	-	13,946,325
Reclassification	-	-	(274,025)	-	-	(70,779)	-	-	-	(344,804)
Disposals	-	-	-	-	(3,978)	-	-	-	-	(3,978)
At 31 December 2019	-	3,212,638	27,741,645	266,095	655,394	1,563,082	534,215	2,067,134	-	36,040,203
Net book value										
At 31 December 2020	463,861	54,916,203	317,365,088	222,557	602,467	7,596,605	638,775	4,452,345	137,054,928	523,312,829
At 31 December 2019	264,019	55,811,416	325,926,085	177,453	557,211	3,261,878	638,554	6,625,933	143,722	393,406,271

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12 Property, plant and equipment (continued)

- (a) All borrowings are secured by a debenture on all the fixed and floating assets of the Company. Refer to Note 20 for further details.
- (b) Reclassifications represent intangible assets and intercompany balances now reclassified to their respective accounts.
- (c) Transfers relate to the accumulated construction cost of the Company's production plant which is now transferred to the respective asset classes on completion of the plant and subsequently depreciated.
- (d) Included in quarry equipment is cost relating to restoration of quarry sites being mined by the Company as at 31 December 2020. Cost as at 1 January 2020 was N4.05 billion (note 19) and an addition of N4.95 billion (2019: an addition of N420.9 million) was recognised in the current year due to changes in estimates. Current year depreciation charge recognised on the restoration cost is N574 million (2019: N435.9 million) using the units of production method.

The depreciation charged for the year is apportioned as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Cost of Sales	12,649,472	11,495,079
Administrative Expenses	2,549,540	2,451,246
	<u>15,199,012</u>	<u>13,946,325</u>

- (e) Purchase of property, plant and equipment in statement of cash flows is calculated as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Additions in the year	148,118,838	23,489,618
Adjustment for non-cash items:		
- transfer of assets	(7,960,475)	-
- capitalised borrowing cost	(13,039,677)	(695,884)
	<u>127,118,686</u>	<u>22,793,734</u>

- (f) Proceeds from disposal of PPE in statement of cash flows is analysed below:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Sales proceeds from disposal of PPE:		
- Cash received in the year	-	259
- Unpaid at year end	-	139
	-	<u>398</u>
Net book value of disposed asset	-	<u>(145)</u>
Profit from disposal of property, plant and equipment	-	<u>253</u>

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13 Leases

This note provides information for leases where the Company is a lessee.

a *Amounts recognised in the statement of financial position*

The balance sheet shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	Building N'000	Total N'000
Right-of-use assets		
Opening balance as at 1 January 2020	76,503	76,503
Additions	50,178	50,178
Depreciation	(56,191)	(56,191)
Closing balance as at 31 December 2020	70,490	70,490
Lease liabilities		
Opening balance as at 1 January 2020	48,352	48,352
Additions	50,445	50,445
Interest expense	3,756	3,756
Payments	(65,236)	(65,236)
Closing balance as at 31 December 2020	37,317	37,317
Current	-	-
Non-current	37,317	37,317
	37,317	37,317
Right-of-use assets		
Opening balance as at 1 January 2019	8,378	8,378
Additions	105,896	105,896
Depreciation	(37,771)	(37,771)
Closing balance as at 31 December 2019	76,503	76,503
Lease liabilities		
Opening balance as at 1 January 2019	6,298	6,298
Additions	41,621	41,621
Interest expense	5,827	5,827
Payments	(5,394)	(5,394)
Closing balance as at 31 December 2019	48,352	48,352
Current	41,677	41,677
Non-current	6,675	6,675
	48,352	48,352

b The statement of profit or loss shows the following amounts relating to leases:

	2020 N'000	Total N'000
i Depreciation charge of right-of-use assets		
Opening balance as at 1 January	37,771	37,771
Charge for the year	56,191	56,191
Closing balance as at 31 December	93,962	93,962

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14 Intangible assets

	Licenses N'000	Exploration Assets N'000	Software N'000	Total N'000
Cost				
At 1 January 2020	3,025	3,060,885	67,514	3,131,424
Additions during the year	-	1,714,718	16,224	1,730,941
At 31 December 2020	3,025	4,775,603	83,737	4,862,365
Accumulated amortisation				
At 1 January 2020	3,025	337,673	8,811	349,509
Charge for the year	-	227,604	267	227,871
At 31 December 2020	3,025	565,277	9,077	577,379
Cost				
At 1 January 2019	3,025	1,135,077	29,030	1,167,132
Additions during the year	-	396,493	63,842	460,335
Reclassification from PPE	-	1,529,315	-	1,529,315
Write-offs	-	-	(25,358)	(25,358)
At 31 December 2019	3,025	3,060,885	67,514	3,131,424
Accumulated amortisation				
At 1 January 2019	3,025	119,144	21,474	143,643
Charge for the year	-	147,750	218	147,968
Reclassification from PPE	-	70,779	-	70,779
Write-offs	-	-	(12,881)	(12,881)
At 31 December 2019	3,025	337,673	8,811	349,509
Net book value				
At 31 December 2020	-	4,210,326	74,660	4,284,986
At 31 December 2019	-	2,723,212	58,703	2,781,915

(a) Amortisation charge is expensed in cost of sales and administrative expenses based on the use of the related intangible assets.

(b) Write-off of intangible assets per statement of cash flow is as analysed below:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Cost	-	25,358
Accumulated amortisation	-	(12,881)
	-	12,477

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15 Inventories

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Fuel	857,514	2,214,732
Engineering spares	12,664,806	7,689,001
Packing materials	189,509	407,210
Raw materials	9,921,259	9,995,991
Goods in transit	5,527,658	1,324,121
Work in progress	1,658,779	5,003,527
Finished goods	685,673	566,998
	<u>31,505,198</u>	<u>27,201,580</u>

Amounts recognised in profit or loss

Inventories recognised as an expense during the year ended 31 December 2020 amounted to N21.28 billion: (2019: N11.74 billion). These were included in cost of sales.

There was no provision made for inventory obsolescence during the year (2019: Nil).

16 Cash and cash equivalents

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Cash in hand	10,573	65,157
Cash in bank	123,502,330	13,912,912
Fixed deposit	308,186	1,608,595
	<u>123,821,089</u>	<u>15,586,664</u>

16.1 Cash and cash equivalent (included in statement of cashflows)

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Cash in hand	10,573	65,157
Cash in bank	123,502,330	13,912,912
Fixed deposit	308,186	1,608,595
Bank overdraft	-	(562,066)
Total	<u>123,821,089</u>	<u>15,024,598</u>

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17 Trade and other receivables

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Financial assets:		
Trade receivables	461,635	252,525
Non-financial assets:		
Prepayments	747,469	1,226,858
*Other receivables	75,316,087	242,290
Advance to suppliers	6,685,273	885,821
Advance to staff	97,522	11,441
Total non-financial assets	82,846,351	2,366,410
	83,307,986	2,618,935

*Other receivables relates to N67 billion receivables from issuing house in respect of the bond issuance that closed on 30 December 2020 and advance payment to CBMI for the construction of a new plant.

i. The gross carrying amount of trade receivables is shown below:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Net carrying amount – trade receivables	461,635	252,525
Add: loss allowance (Note 3.1.2)	8,933	102,033
Gross carrying amount – trade receivables	470,568	354,558

ii. Impairment of trade receivables and other receivables

The reconciliation of loss allowance for trade receivables as at 31 December 2019 to the opening loss allowance on 1 January 2020 and to the closing loss allowance as at 31 December 2020 is as follows:

	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
As at 1 January	102,033	101,892
Increase in loss allowance recognised in profit or loss during the year	-	141
Reversals during the year	(93,100)	-
At 31 December	8,933	102,033

18 Trade and other payables

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Financial liabilities:		
Trade payables	3,852,292	18,859,894
Other payables and accrued expenses	1,463,050	564,549
Unclaimed dividend	455,040	419,432
	5,770,382	19,843,875
Non-financial liabilities:		
Other payables and accrued expenses	1,868,284	2,108,886
Statutory obligations	16,230,102	14,389,097
	18,098,386	16,497,983
	23,868,768	36,341,858

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19 Provision for decommissioning liabilities

BUA Cement Plc is involved in the mining of four active limestone quarries, one clay quarry and four proposed quarries. The quarry licenses are largely for 5 years at a time, and can be renewed for a nominal fee on expiration. The Company has a constructive obligation to restore, where practical, all areas disturbed by mining operations to an acceptable land use and capability and has made provision for the estimated cost of site restoration. The decommissioning provision is estimated based on the assumption that decommissioning will take place between 60 months and 132 months as at 31 December 2020.

There were nine active quarries as at 31 December 2020 namely: Ikpobia, Ikpobia clay 1, Ikpobia clay 2, Elele clay, Cambut, Edelstein north, Freedom, Gamla and Camp clay quarry, with estimated useful lives ranging from 6 years to 12 years. Hence, in the event of renewal of the licenses after the first expiration, some of these quarries would not have reached the end of their useful lives before the license can be renewed for a second time. Where there is a possibility that these licenses would not be renewed, then, the estimated useful lives would be adjusted to reflect the new assumption.

The provision for decommissioning cost has been estimated based on the scope and method of abandonment using current requirements, price level adjusted for inflation and discounted using a risk-free discount rate for the nine active quarry sites as at 31 December 2020. Actual costs may however differ from the estimates based on the prevailing assumptions at the relevant periods.

The table below shows the movement in the decommissioning liabilities for the year ended 31 December 2020.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Balance at 1 January	4,047,713	3,346,240
Increase in decommissioning liability as a result of changes in estimates	4,947,207	420,901
Unwinding of interest	286,949	280,572
Additions during the year	9,600	-
At 31 December	9,291,470	4,047,713
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(a) Provision for decommissioning liabilities		
Current	123,695	4,047,713
Non-current	9,167,775	-
	9,291,470	4,047,713
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
20 Borrowings		
Bank loans	156,097,899	20,861,438
Bank overdraft	-	562,066
	156,097,899	21,423,504
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Current	105,648,512	21,423,504
Non-current	50,449,387	-
	156,097,899	21,423,504

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20 Borrowings (continued)

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(a) The analysis of borrowings during the year is as shown below:		
At 1 January	21,423,504	3,241,885
Additional drawdowns in the year	228,722,337	56,737,008
Principal repayments	(96,768,171)	(39,905,311)
Interest expense (Note 9)	2,968,068	3,132,484
Interest capitalised	13,039,677	695,884
Interest repayments	(13,287,516)	(2,478,445)
At 31 December	156,097,899	21,423,504

Bank loans are secured by an all asset debenture over the fixed and floating assets of the Company.

The Company's term loan and short-term loan facilities are at a floating interest rate of 13% each. The loans have a one-year and a 6-month tenor respectively. The other facilities are at fixed interest rates.

The above borrowings are further classified based on average interest rate, maturity and provider of funds:

	Average Interest Rate	Maturity	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
Bank of Industry - Term loan (Note 20b)	10%	31 March 2020	-	167,534
First Bank - Bank overdraft	18.5%	-	-	562,066
First Bank - Import trade finance	-	-	20,033,770	2,113,549
First Bank - Trade loan	19%	31 May 2020	-	11,013,842
First Bank - Term loan	19%	31 May 2020	-	7,566,513
First Bank - Long term loan	11%	30 June 2024	26,547,858	-
	2020 - 5%			
Union Bank (RSSF Loan)	2021 - 9%	30 September 2030	17,603,196	-
Union Bank LCS	-	-	2,243,406	-
	2020 - 5%			
Fidelity Bank (RSSF Loan)	2021 - 9%	30 September 2030	17,541,749	-
Coronation Merchant Bank - Import trade finance		-	140,622	-
First City Monument Bank - Import trade finance		-	958,136	-
	2020 - 12.4%			
	Other years -			
Shareholders Loan	15.9%	31 December 2026	71,029,162	-
			156,097,899	21,423,504

(b) Bank loans

Current bank borrowings relate to short term Import Finance Facilities (IFF) from several Nigerian banks with average maturity of 12 months. They also include the portion of non-current bank borrowings repayable within the next 12 months. Non-current bank borrowings are secured by fixed and floating assets of the Company. They include N26 billion obtained from First Bank Nigeria Plc for a period of 48 months with effect from July 2020 at a floating interest of 13% per annum. N20 billion obtained from Union Bank of Nigeria and Fidelity Bank each for a period of 120 months with effect from October 2020 at a floating interest of 9% per annum.

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20 Borrowings (continued)

(c) Shareholders loan

The Shareholders loan was approved in 2019 but the applicable loan agreement became effective on 1 January 2020. The loan was fully repaid in January 2021.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
21 Debt security issued		
Debt securities at amortized cost:		
Series 1 bond (Note 21b)	113,195,044	-
	<u>113,195,044</u>	<u>-</u>
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Current	-	-
Non-current	113,195,044	-
	<u>113,195,044</u>	<u>-</u>
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(a) The analysis of debt security issued during the year is as shown below:		
At 1 January	-	-
Debts issued in the year	113,170,093	-
Principal repayments	-	-
Interest expense (Note 9)	24,951	-
Interest repayments	-	-
At 31 December	<u>113,195,044</u>	<u>-</u>

- (b) The Company issued a local bond of N115 billion on 30 December 2020 with a coupon rate of 7.5% payable semi-annually ('series 1 of N200,000,000,000 bond issuance programme'). The bond has a tenor of 7 years and is due on 30 December, 2027. There is a moratorium of 3 years on the principal repayment of the bond, whilst interest is payable on a semi-annual basis at their respective interest rates.

BUA Cement Plc will have the right to exercise a call option to effect early redemption of the bonds, either in part or in whole, as from the expiration of 48 months from the issue date, in accordance with the provisions of the series 1 Trust Deed.

On initial recognition of the Series 1 bond, management assessed the impact of the call option on the contractual cashflows to the bondholders and determined that the call option does not materially affect the contractual cashflows of the debt host contract, hence the option is closely related to the host contract and is not bifurcated from the host contract. The series1 bond has been classified as a debt measured at amortised cost using effective interest rate.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
22 Government grant		
(a) Current	900,695	5,701
Non-current	4,632,023	-
	<u>5,532,718</u>	<u>5,701</u>

Government grant is treated as a line item in the statement of financial position.

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22 Government grant (continued)

	2020 N'000	2019 N'000
(b) Movement in government grant is analysed below:		
Balance as at 1 January	5,701	31,988
Additions in the year	5,756,455	-
Amount unwound to profit or loss (Note 8)	(229,438)	(26,287)
Balance as at 31 December	5,532,718	5,701

23 Share capital

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
(a) <i>Authorised:</i> 40 billion ordinary shares @ 50k per share	20,000,000	20,000,000
(b) <i>Issued and fully paid</i>		
Balance as at 1 January:	16,932,177	16,932,177
Additions in the year	-	-
Balance as at 31 December	16,932,177	16,932,177
(c) <i>Number of shares outstanding</i>		
Balance as at 1 January:	33,864,354	33,864,354
Additions in the year	-	-
Balance as at 31 December	33,864,354	33,864,354

24 Earnings per share

- (a) Basic earnings per share (EPS) is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding at the end of the reporting period.

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Profit attributable to ordinary equity holders of the Company	72,344,336	60,610,285
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue	33,864,354	33,864,354
Basic earnings per share (Naira)	2.14	1.79

*Diluted earnings per share is the same as the basic earnings per share as there are no potential securities convertible to ordinary shares.

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25 Particulars of Directors and staff

(a) Particulars of staff

The average number of persons, excluding Directors, employed by the Company during the year was as follows:

	31 December 2020 Number	31 December 2019 Number
Management	53	42
Production	618	688
Administration	330	332
	<u>1,001</u>	<u>1,062</u>

(b) The table below shows the number of employees (excluding Directors) of the Company in receipt of emoluments, including allowances and pension costs within the following bands during the year.

	31 December 2020 Number	31 December 2019 Number
N100,000 - N500,000	-	-
N500,001 - N1,000,000	118	378
N1,000,001 - N2,000,000	295	245
N2,000,001 - N3,000,000	297	207
N3,000,001 - N4,000,000	133	113
N4,000,001 - N5,000,000	94	38
N5,000,001 - N10,000,000	46	68
N10,000,001 - N15,000,000	8	6
N15,000,001 - N20,000,000	3	4
N20,000,001 - N25,000,000	2	2
N25,000,001 - N30,000,000	3	1
N30,000,001 - N35,000,000	2	-
	<u>1,001</u>	<u>1,062</u>

c Particulars of Directors

Directors' emoluments

The remuneration paid to the Directors of the Company was:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Emoluments paid to the Directors of the Company	<u>142,736</u>	<u>126,149</u>
Amount paid to the highest paid Director	<u>75,298</u>	<u>69,029</u>

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25 Particulars of Directors and staff (continued)

The number of Directors of the Company (including the highest paid Director) whose remuneration, excluding pension contributions in respect of services to the Company fell within the following ranges:

	31 December 2020	31 December 2019
N1,000,000 - N5,000,000	1	-
N5,000,001 - N10,000,000	7	5
N10,000,001 - N15,000,000	1	1
N15,000,001 - N45,000,000	-	-
N45,000,001 - N50,000,000	-	-
N50,000,001 - N70,000,000	-	1
N70,000,001 - N80,000,000	1	-
	10	7

26 Related party transactions and balances

The ultimate majority shareholder of the Company, Alhaji Abdulsamad Rabiu CON, is the ultimate controlling party. The ultimate controlling party has controlling interests in other companies. These companies are considered to be related parties to BUA Cement Plc.

The Company's transactions and balances arising from dealings with related parties during the year are shown below:

a Transactions with related parties

i Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company, directly or indirectly, including any Director (whether executive or otherwise) of the Company. BUA Cement Plc has identified its management team as its key management personnel. The compensation paid or payable to key management for employee services is shown below:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Salaries and other short-term employee benefits	450,535	390,396
Pension costs	21,507	17,528
	472,042	407,924

ii Management and technical service fees

Fees are chargeable on technical support, management and administrative services provided by BUA International Limited and Damnaz Cement Company Limited to BUA Cement Plc. The technical fees are chargeable at 2.83% of the Sokoto Plant's annual net sales in line with the Management Service Agreement between BUA Cement Plc and each of these related entities.

During the financial year ended 31 December 2020, only Damnaz Cement Company Limited provided technical and management services to the Company with a fee charge of N1.9 billion (2019: N1.9 billion).

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26 Related party transactions and balances

iii Transfer/(receipt) of funds

The treasury function of related entities of the Company are managed centrally. As at 31 December 2019, there was frequent movement of funds from entities with surplus at any particular point in time for the settlement of obligations owed by another related party. However, this is no longer applicable in the current year. The net movement of funds between these related entities and the Company is shown below:

		31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
	Relationship		
BUA International Limited	Sister company	-	73,495,900
Edo Cement Company Limited	Sister company	-	55,177,229
BUA Cement Company Limited	Sister company	-	(27,137,149)
Nigeria Oil Mills Limited	Sister company	-	36,237
BUA Oil Mills Limited	Sister company	-	83,548
SOPON Limited	Sister company	-	210,719
BUA Ports and Terminals Limited	Sister company	-	3,088,819
BUA Transport Limited	Sister company	-	978,458
Damnaz Cement Limited	Sister company	-	(294,415)
BUA Sugar Refinery Limited	Sister company	-	(10,265,669)
Nigeria Oil Mills (UK) Limited	Sister company	-	5,944,832
Cement Company of Northern Nigeria Plc	Sister company	-	(2,954,495)
BUA Flour Mills Limited	Sister company	-	(8,929,080)
BUA Estate Limited	Sister company	-	(748,760)
BUA Rice Limited	Sister company	-	(1,035,052)
Directors' Current Account	Shareholders	-	(10,724,527)
Kalambaina Cement Company Limited	Sister company	-	(1,009,555)
Lafiaji Sugar Company Limited	Sister company	-	(491,960)
		-	75,425,080

b Outstanding balances with related parties

The receivables from related parties represents the funds obtained from the Company's account but used to finance the transactions of related parties of the Company. Conversely, the balances due to related parties represents the amount of money obtained from other subsidiaries but used to finance the operations of the Company.

Below are the outstanding receivable and payable balances with related parties.

		31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
	Relationship		
i Due to related parties			
BUA International Limited	Sister company	34,497,761	-
Damnaz Cement Limited	Sister company	-	98,487
Nigeria Oil Mills (UK) Limited	Sister company	-	820,254
		34,497,761	918,741

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26 Related party transactions and balances (continued)

b Outstanding balances with related parties (continued)

		31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
ii	Relationship		
	BUA International Limited	-	18,005,722
	Edo Cement Company Limited	-	10,618
		-	18,016,340

c Impairment of receivables from related parties

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
As at 1 January	1,262,490	5,020,858
Write-back of loss allowance recognised in profit or loss	(1,262,490)	(3,758,368)
At 31 December	-	1,262,490

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
The net carrying amount of receivables from related parties is shown below		
Gross carrying amount – due from related parties (Note 26bii)	-	18,016,340
Less: loss allowance	-	(1,262,490)
Due from related parties net of expected credit losses	-	16,753,850

d Changes in due from related parties in the statement of cash flows is as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Movement in due from related parties	15,491,360	45,607,431
Effect of loss allowance recognised in profit or loss (Note 26c)	1,262,490	3,758,368
Effect of reclassification from property, plants and equipment (Note 12)	-	2,534,641
Effects of exchange rate differences	(24,631)	(16,426)
Effect other non-cash items	301,070	(327,239)
	17,030,288	51,556,775

e Changes in due to related parties in the statement of cash flows is as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Movement in due to related parties	46,618,697	(123,156,053)
Effect of unrealised exchange loss on related party balances (Note 7.1)	(616,147)	(183,227)
Effect of non-cash interest on funding from related party (Note 9)	(13,159,223)	(2,326,458)
	32,843,327	(125,665,738)

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27 Contingent liabilities

The Company is subject to some pending litigations arising in the normal course of business as at 31 December 2020. There are no contingent liabilities in respect of these pending litigations as at 31 December 2020 (2019: Nil).

28 Capital commitments and guarantees

(a) Capital commitments

Significant capital expenditure contracted for at the end of the reporting period but not recognised as liabilities is as follows:

	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000
Re-roofing of the Clinker Dome	189,000	50,400
Regasification project of line 2	177,735	-
Regasification project of line 3	136,709,000	-
	<u>137,075,735</u>	<u>50,400</u>

The above commitments include capital expenditure commitments of N189 million (2019: N50.4 million) relate to the re-roofing of the Clinker Dome in the OBU II Cement plant located at Okpella in Edo State, Nigeria while N177.7 million and N136.7 billion relate to line 2 and line 3 regasification project at Sokoto plant.

(b) Guarantees

There were no guarantees as at 31 December 2020 (2019: N4.4 billion).

29 Impact of COVID - 19

The growing Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic presented a challenge, unprecedented in modern times, for businesses both locally and internationally. Although its effects are uneven across the economy, many sectors have been severely affected and none have been left untouched. Nigeria continued to address the increasing cases of Covid-19 and its implications on the economy. Severally measures were taken by the Nigerian authorities to curtail the spread of the virus including lockdowns in major cities, local and international travel restrictions, compulsory wearing of masks in public, physical distancing and limitations on public gatherings, among others.

The Management of BUA Cement Plc implemented successfully its Covid-19 mitigation plan by making adequate provision of PPE to staff working at the factories to shield them from getting infected, switched to remote working for some staff, restricted access to workplaces to third parties, localization of some of our supply chain, massive customer enlightenment on various changes to route to market, among others. The lockdown witnessed across the country at various stages of the fight against Covid-19 adversely affected some sectors of the economy including the cement industry as dispatch of cement to some states was affected. There were supply chain and maintenance delays due to travel ban, access to foreign exchange for importation of spare parts /raw materials became more difficult to source, prices of some materials increased including sacks used in packaging of cement.

Despite the challenges posed by the measures to curtail the Covid-19 pandemic, the Company was able to continue with its activities throughout the year. The impact of the virus on operations was very minimal as the Company experienced growth in sales volume as the restrictions were gradually eased. The Company's going concern ability is not under threat and no material adjustment is expected from significant judgements and estimates made in preparation of the financial statements from the impact of Covid-19. The Company's management instituted liquidity management plans that provided adequate funding for operations. The Company benefited from the Real Sector Support Facility of the Central Bank of Nigeria. Management believes that the impact of Covid-19 pandemic will not affect the **Company's** ability to generate future taxable profits to recover deferred tax assets provisioning and does not foresee any material effect on the measurement of assets and liabilities.

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30 Subsequent events

There were no significant events after the reporting period, which could have had a material effect on the financial statements of the Company as at 31 December 2020 that have not been adequately provided for or disclosed in the financial statements.

31 Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation in the current year.

Other national disclosures

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Statement of value added

	Note	31 December 2020 N'000	%	31 December 2019 N'000	%
Revenue	5	209,443,487		175,518,326	
Other income	8	375,519		50,248	
		209,819,006		175,568,574	
Less: Bought in materials and services: Local and imported		(105,494,378)		(82,605,280)	
Value added		104,324,628	100	92,963,294	100
Applies as follows:					
To pay employees:					
Staff cost	7.3	8,099,100	8	7,868,242	8
To pay providers of funds:					
Net finance cost	9	2,977,252	3	5,192,054	6
To pay government:					
Income tax charge	10a	6,529,162	6	5,614,216	6
To provide for enhancement of assets and growth:					
Depreciation	7.1	15,199,012	15	13,946,325	15
To augment reserve		71,520,102	69	60,342,457	65
		104,324,628	100	92,963,294	100

This statement represents the distribution of the wealth created through the use of the Company's assets by its own and employees' efforts.

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	BUA Cement Plc			OBU Cement Company Limited	
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000	31 December 2018 N'000	31 December 2017 N'000	31 December 2016 N'000
Assets employed					
Non-current assets	527,668,305	408,405,566	399,431,134	157,662,079	129,219,675
Current assets	238,634,273	62,161,029	88,543,157	46,369,021	23,919,757
Current liabilities	(208,100,189)	(96,461,863)	(175,748,284)	(159,562,803)	(147,140,036)
Non-current liabilities	(182,247,661)	(10,407,490)	(3,613,823)	(15,128,635)	(383,270)
Net assets	375,954,728	363,697,242	308,612,184	29,339,662	5,616,126
Capital employed					
Ordinary share capital	16,932,177	16,932,177	16,932,177	20,000	20,000
Other reserves	(897,136)	(72,902)	194,926	-	-
Retained earnings	159,915,508	146,833,788	91,480,902	29,319,662	5,596,126
Reorganisation reserve	200,004,179	200,004,179	200,004,179	-	-
Total equity	375,954,728	363,697,242	308,612,184	29,339,662	5,616,126
	BUA Cement Plc			OBU Cement Company Limited	
	31 December 2020 N'000	31 December 2019 N'000	31 December 2018 N'000	31 December 2017 N'000	31 December 2016 N'000
Revenue from contract with customers	209,443,487	175,518,326	119,012,572	87,193,161	48,638,749
Profit before tax	78,873,498	66,224,501	39,166,582	39,470,897	11,586,015
Income tax (expense)/credit	(6,529,162)	(5,614,216)	24,905,420	(15,747,361)	(2,397,831)
Profit for the year	72,344,336	60,610,285	64,072,002	23,723,536	9,188,184
Total comprehensive income	71,520,102	60,342,457	64,072,002	23,723,536	9,188,184
Earnings per share (Naira)	2.14	1.79	1.89	1,186.18	459.41
Net assets per share (Naira)	22.20	21.48	18.23	1,466.98	280.81

Net assets per share is calculated by dividing net assets of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding at the end of the reporting period.