



MTN Nigeria Communications Plc
Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements
For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

Unaudited condensed consolidated and separate financial statements

For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

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Financial Highlights

For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Notes	For the three months period ended 31 March 2021	For the three months period ended 31 March 2020*	% Change
Revenue	4	385,318	329,171	17.06
Operating profit		133,107	110,576	20.38
Profit before tax		102,989	76,905	33.92
Profit for the period		73,748	51,743	42.53
Basic/ diluted earnings per share (N)	33	3.62	2.54	42.53
		As at 31 Mar 2021	As at 31 Dec 2020	% Change
Share capital		407	407	-
Total equity		252,134	178,386	41.34
Net assets per share (N)		12.39	8.76	41.34
Stock exchange information				
Market price per share as at period end		160.20	169.90	
Market capitalisation as at period end		3,260,793	3,458,232	
Number of shares issued and fully paid as at period end (in thousands)	33	20,354,513	20,354,513	-

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Unaudited condensed consolidated and separate statement of profit or loss

For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Notes	Group		Company	
		For the three months period ended		For the three months period ended	
		31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
Revenue	4	385,318	329,171	385,241	329,163
Direct network operating costs	8	(93,871)	(72,112)	(93,871)	(72,112)
Value added services costs		(4,225)	(3,706)	(4,225)	(3,706)
Costs of starter packs, handsets and accessories		(269)	(4,250)	(269)	(4,250)
Interconnect costs		(31,176)	(28,019)	(31,176)	(28,019)
Roaming costs		(851)	(868)	(851)	(868)
Transmission costs		(1,989)	(1,490)	(1,989)	(1,490)
Employee benefits	6	(9,316)	(9,263)	(9,131)	(9,099)
Discounts and commissions		(18,914)	(16,048)	(18,733)	(16,019)
Advertisements, sponsorships and sales promotions		(3,609)	(4,510)	(3,457)	(4,049)
Other operating expenses	7	(16,548)	(17,136)	(16,333)	(16,712)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	10	(32,224)	(37,363)	(32,224)	(37,363)
Depreciation on right of use assets	11	(20,717)	(14,993)	(20,717)	(14,993)
Amortisation of intangible assets	12	(18,502)	(8,837)	(17,172)	(7,507)
Operating profit		133,107	110,576	135,093	112,976
Finance income	5	1,227	5,695	1,227	5,690
Finance costs	5	(31,345)	(39,366)	(31,345)	(39,366)
Profit before tax		102,989	76,905	104,975	79,300
Income tax expense	9	(29,241)	(25,162)	(29,836)	(25,880)
Profit for the period		73,748	51,743	75,139	53,420
Attributable to:					
Owners of the parent		73,748	51,743	75,139	53,420
		73,748	51,743	75,139	53,420
Earnings per share - basic/diluted	33	N 3.62	N 2.54	N 3.69	N 2.62

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Unaudited condensed consolidated and separate statement of other comprehensive income
For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Company	
	For the three months period ended		For the three months period ended	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
Profit for the period	73,748	51,743	75,139	53,420
<i>Items that may be reclassified to profit or loss</i>				
Transfer of fair value reserve of investments designated at FVOCI	-	(131)	-	(131)
Total comprehensive income for the period	73,748	51,612	75,139	53,289
Attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	73,748	51,612	75,139	53,289
	73,748	51,612	75,139	53,289

Financial assets classified as financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income are Federal Government treasury bills investments which are exempted from company income tax.

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Unaudited condensed consolidated and separate statement of financial position

As at 31 March 2021

In millions of Nigerian Naira	Notes	Group		Company	
		31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*
ASSETS					
Non-current assets					
Property, plant and equipment	10	601,236	686,157	601,236	686,157
Intangible assets	12	237,918	111,080	207,693	79,525
Right of use assets	11	633,293	595,745	633,293	595,745
Investment in subsidiaries	13	-	-	49,328	49,328
Other investments	14	18,880	25,847	18,880	25,847
Other non current assets	15	17,956	21,896	17,956	21,896
		1,509,283	1,440,725	1,528,386	1,458,498
Current assets					
Inventories	17	5,027	2,158	5,027	2,158
Trade and other receivables	18	158,701	50,766	160,172	53,110
Current investments	16	113,490	146,783	113,490	146,783
Restricted cash	19	51,178	47,913	53,762	47,913
Cash and cash equivalents	20	348,064	275,198	340,939	271,041
		676,460	522,818	673,390	521,005
Total assets		2,185,743	1,963,543	2,201,776	1,979,503
EQUITY					
Share capital	32	407	407	407	407
Share premium	32	17,216	17,216	17,216	17,216
Retained profit		234,272	160,524	259,509	184,370
Other reserves		239	239	239	239
		252,134	178,386	277,371	202,232
LIABILITIES					
Non-current liabilities					
Borrowings	21	324,717	330,551	324,717	330,551
Lease liabilities	29	627,785	586,992	627,785	586,992
Deferred tax liabilities	26	109,221	113,130	105,379	108,693
Provisions	24	243	38	243	38
Employee benefits	27	8,327	8,261	8,327	8,261
Other non-current liabilities	28	3,027	2,273	3,027	2,273
		1,073,320	1,041,245	1,069,478	1,036,808
Current liabilities					
Trade and other payables	22	366,617	303,977	361,909	301,182
Current tax payable	30	136,460	107,310	136,188	107,038
Borrowings	21	210,697	190,599	210,697	190,599
Lease liabilities	29	56,530	54,798	56,530	54,798
Contract liabilities	23	67,284	62,301	66,902	61,919
Provisions	24	22,474	24,733	22,474	24,733
Other current liabilities	25	227	194	227	194
		860,289	743,912	854,927	740,463
Total liabilities		1,933,609	1,785,157	1,924,405	1,777,271
Total equity and liabilities		2,185,743	1,963,543	2,201,776	1,979,503

The consolidated and separate financial statements were approved by the Board Of Directors on the 29 April 2021 and were signed on its behalf by:



 Karl Toriola
 Chief Executive Officer
 FRC/2021/002/00000022839



 Modupe Kadri
 Chief Financial Officer
 FRC/2014/ICAN/00000009692

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Unaudited condensed consolidated and separate statement of changes in equity

For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Attributable to owners of the parent					Total Equity
	Share capital	Share premium	Total share capital	Other reserves	Retained profit	
Group						
Balance as at 1 January 2020 (restated*)	646	64,498	65,144	521	127,713	193,378
Profit for the period (restated*)	-	-	-	-	51,743	51,743
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(131)	-	(131)
Balance as at 31 March 2020	646	64,498	65,144	390	179,456	244,990
Balance as at 1 January 2021	407	17,216	17,623	239	160,524	178,386
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	73,748	73,748
Balance as at 31 March 2021	407	17,216	17,623	239	234,272	252,134
Company						
Balance as at 1 January 2020 (restated*)	646	64,498	65,144	521	154,201	219,866
Profit for the period (restated*)	-	-	-	-	53,420	53,420
Other comprehensive loss	-	-	-	(131)	-	(131)
Balance as at 31 March 2020	646	64,498	65,144	390	207,621	273,155
Balance as at 1 January 2021	407	17,216	17,623	239	184,370	202,232
Profit for the period	-	-	-	-	75,139	75,139
Balance as at 31 March 2021	407	17,216	17,623	239	259,509	277,371

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Unaudited condensed consolidated and separate statement of cash flows

For the three months period ended 31 March 2021

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Notes	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
Cash flows from operating activities:					
Cash generated from operations	31	168,548	152,657	165,580	152,673
Interest paid		(24,457)	(26,557)	(24,457)	(26,557)
Interest received		877	3,189	877	3,185
Tax paid	30	(4,000)	-	(4,000)	-
Employee benefits payments	27	(37)	-	(37)	-
Provision payments	24	(3,449)	-	(3,449)	-
Net cash generated from operating activities		137,482	129,289	134,514	129,301
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment		(31,350)	(24,868)	(31,350)	(24,868)
Acquisition of right of use assets		(276)	(849)	(276)	(849)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment		142	124	142	124
Purchase of contract acquisition costs		996	(662)	996	(662)
Investment in non-current FGN bonds		6,967	-	6,967	-
Acquisition of intangible assets		(61,519)	(1,326)	(61,519)	(1,332)
Investment in bonds, treasury bills and foreign deposits		33,152	(19,604)	33,152	(19,473)
Movement in restricted cash		(3,265)	(1,485)	(3,265)	(1,485)
Net cash flows used in investing activities		(55,153)	(48,670)	(55,153)	(48,545)
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Proceeds from borrowings	21.1	118,230	-	118,230	-
Repayment of borrowings	21.1	(112,207)	(4,444)	(112,207)	(4,444)
Repayment of lease liabilities	29	(15,687)	(14,095)	(15,687)	(14,095)
Net cash flows used in financing activities		(9,664)	(18,539)	(9,664)	(18,539)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		72,665	62,080	69,697	62,217
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period		275,825	116,278	271,668	114,301
Exchange (loss)/gain on cash and cash equivalents		201	627	201	627
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period	20	348,691	178,985	341,566	177,145

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1 General information

MTN Nigeria Communications Plc formerly MTN Nigeria Communications Limited, (the Company) together with its subsidiaries (the Group) carry on the business of building and operating GSM Cellular Network Systems and other related services nationwide in Nigeria.

MTN Nigeria Communications Plc's subsidiaries are XS Broadband Limited, Visafone Communications Limited and Yello Digital Financial Services Limited. Their principal activities are the provision of broadband fixed wireless access service, high quality telecommunication services and mobile financial services (fintech) respectively. Visafone Communications Limited is currently undergoing liquidation.

2 Basis of preparation

These condensed consolidated and company interim financial statements for the three months period ended 31 March 2021 have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and International Accounting Standards (IAS) 34 Interim Financial Reporting.

The interim condensed consolidated and separate financial statements does not include all the notes of the type normally included in annual financial statements. Accordingly, this report is to be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 which has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC) applicable to companies reporting under IFRS and with the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020.

The accounting policies applied in the preparation of the interim condensed consolidated and separate financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's consolidated and separate financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The Group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective. Several amendments and interpretations apply for the first time in 2020*, but do not have an impact on the interim condensed consolidated and separate financial statements of the Group.

3 Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses that relate to transactions with any of the Group's other components, whose operating results are reviewed regularly by the Executive Committee (EXCOM), to make decisions about resources allocated to each segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available. All costs that are directly traceable to the operating segments are allocated to the segment concerned.

The Group has identified three reportable segments that are used by the Executive Committee (EXCOM) to make key operating decisions. All operating segment results are reviewed regularly by EXCOM to make decisions about resources to be allocated and to assess its performance. The reportable segments are largely grouped according to customer type for which discrete financial information is available. The customer segments are as follows:

- Consumer Business Unit (CBU)
- Enterprise Business Unit (EBU)
- Wholesale Business Unit (WBU)

Operating results are reported and reviewed regularly by the EXCOM and include items directly attributable to a segment.

Customer segment	Description
Consumer Business Unit (CBU)	It consists of subscribers sitting in value propositions and tariff plans dedicated to three sub segments: Youth, High Value and Mass segments. All MTN customers are assumed to fall within CBU except where otherwise stated.
Enterprise Business Unit (EBU)	Enterprise customers are mostly corporate and small medium organisations whose business requires our products, services and solutions to serve their everyday business needs.
Wholesale Business Unit (WBU)	The Wholesale business, serves customers who buy MTN telecom products in bulk with the intention to re-sell these products (mobile or fixed) to their external clients.

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3 Segment information (continued)

A key performance measure of the Group is gross margin. This is defined as revenue less direct costs. The table below presents revenue, direct costs and gross margin for the Group's operating segments for the three months ended 31 March 2021 and 31 March 2020.

Information about reportable segments

For the three months period ended

	CBU	EBU	WBU	TOTAL
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
31 March 2021				
Segment revenue	340,634	34,237	10,447	385,318
Direct costs	(49,659)	(3,162)	(4,192)	(57,013)
Gross margin	290,975	31,075	6,255	328,305
31 March 2020				
Segment revenue	283,287	34,896	10,988	329,171
Direct costs	(55,435)	(4,328)	(275)	(60,038)
Gross margin	227,852	30,568	10,713	269,133

Reconciliation of reportable segment revenue and profit or loss

Revenues

There are no significant reconciling items between the reportable segment revenue and total revenue for the period.

The revenue of the Company is generated majorly from one geographical location, Nigeria.

None of the Company's customers account for 10% or more of the total revenue of the Company.

Profit or loss

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	For the period ended	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020
Segment gross margin	328,305	269,133
Unallocated items:		
Operating expenses	(123,755)	(97,364)
Depreciation & amortisation	(71,443)	(61,193)
Finance income	1,227	5,695
Finance expense	(31,345)	(39,366)
Profit before taxation	<u>102,989</u>	<u>76,905</u>

Segment assets and liabilities

The Group has not provided information on reportable segment assets and liabilities as they are not part of the items regularly reviewed by the Executive Committee (EXCOM) to make operating decisions.

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<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Company	
	For the period ended 31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	For the period ended 31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
4. Revenue				
Voice	208,622	194,038	208,622	194,038
Data	105,704	74,009	105,704	74,009
SMS	10,671	3,337	10,671	3,337
Interconnect and roaming	39,298	33,600	39,298	33,600
Handset and accessories	207	632	207	632
Digital	3,781	9,295	3,781	9,295
Value added service	14,265	11,381	14,188	11,381
Other revenues	2,770	2,879	2,770	2,871
	385,318	329,171	385,241	329,163

Data revenue excludes roaming data, roaming data is reported under interconnect and roaming.

Other revenue comprises revenue from cloud and infrastructure services, information and communication technology (ICT) revenue.

5. Finance income and finance costs

Recognised in profit or loss

Finance income

Interest income on bank deposits	302	1,556	302	1,551
Interest income on amortised cost investments	650	1,127	650	1,127
Net gain on FVOCI investments	-	373	-	373
Interest income on related parties receivables	2	2	2	2
Currency swap gain	273	-	273	-
Foreign exchange gain	-	2,637	-	2,637
	1,227	5,695	1,227	5,690

Finance costs

Interest expense - borrowings	6,701	16,177	6,701	16,177
Interest expense - leases	21,588	17,265	21,588	17,265
Interest expense - banking fees	653	466	653	466
Net loss on FVTPL investments	792	415	792	415
Foreign exchange loss	1,611	4,795	1,611	4,795
Currency swap loss	-	248	-	248
	31,345	39,366	31,345	39,366

6. Employee benefits

Salaries and wages	7,155	7,243	6,970	7,079
Pension - Defined contribution plan	480	443	480	443
Share based payments	942	-	942	-
Other staff costs	739	1,577	739	1,577
	9,316	9,263	9,131	9,099

Other staff costs comprises of mortgage subsidy, long service award, termination benefits, reward and recognition, Group life insurance, medical expenses.

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<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Company	
	For the period ended 31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	For the period ended 31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
7 Other operating expenses				
(Profit)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	(118)	354	(118)	354
Directors' emoluments	140	103	140	103
Impairment of property and equipment	26	1,045	26	1,045
Credit loss expense on trade and other receivables	578	593	578	593
Credit loss expense on cash and cash equivalent, treasury bills and bonds	130	-	130	-
MTN Foundation	756	529	756	529
Insurance cost	484	360	484	360
Professional fees	6,650	5,662	6,437	5,265
Maintenance cost	4,698	3,648	4,698	3,648
Rent, rates, utilities and other office running cost	1,231	2,973	1,231	2,973
Information technology development levy	-	787	-	787
Research and development	21	-	21	-
Trainings, travels and entertainment cost	215	601	215	574
Covid-19 related expenses	1,311	-	1,310	-
Audit fees	105	77	104	77
Other expenses	321	404	321	404
	16,548	17,136	16,333	16,712

Other expenses include bank charges, subscriptions, office refreshments and security costs.

8 Direct network operating costs				
Regulatory fees	9,960	8,199	9,960	8,199
Annual numbering plan	1,672	291	1,672	291
BTS leases	65,858	51,554	65,858	51,554
Network maintenance	16,381	12,068	16,381	12,068
	93,871	72,112	93,871	72,112

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<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Company	
	For the period ended		For the period ended	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
9 Income tax expense				
Current tax				
Company income tax	30,785	29,526	30,785	29,526
Education tax	2,360	2,702	2,360	2,702
Nigerian Police Trust Fund	5	4	5	4
	<u>33,150</u>	<u>32,232</u>	<u>33,150</u>	<u>32,232</u>
Deferred tax				
Deferred tax credit	(3,909)	(7,070)	(3,314)	(6,352)
	<u>(3,909)</u>	<u>(7,070)</u>	<u>(3,314)</u>	<u>(6,352)</u>
Tax expense for the period	<u>29,241</u>	<u>25,162</u>	<u>29,836</u>	<u>25,880</u>

9 Tax rate reconciliation

The table below explains the differences between the expected tax expense on continuing operations, at the Nigerian statutory tax rate of 28.39% (2020: 32.97%) and the Group's total tax expense for each period. The income tax charge for the period is reconciled to the effective rate of taxation in Nigeria as follows:

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Company	
	For the period ended		For the period ended	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
Profit before tax	102,989	76,905	104,975	79,300
Taxation	29,241	25,162	29,836	25,880
Actual tax rate	28.39%	32.97%	28.42%	32.88%
	%	%	%	%
Tax at standard rate	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Expenses not allowed	0.57	0.41	0.56	0.40
Prior year over provision - deferred tax	(4.68)	0.91	(4.59)	0.89
Investment allowance	(0.00)	(1.08)	(0.00)	(1.04)
Exempt income	(0.19)	(0.44)	(0.19)	(0.43)
Education tax	2.69	3.16	2.64	3.07
Police Trust Fund	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
	<u>28.39</u>	<u>32.97</u>	<u>28.42</u>	<u>32.88</u>

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10 Property, plant and equipment

Group and Company	Land and buildings	Leasehold improvements	Network infrastructure	Information systems, furniture and office equipment	Capital work-in-progress	Motor vehicles	Total
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>							
Balance at 31 December 2020							
Cost	34,567	24,086	1,073,762	47,659	52,358	3,972	1,236,404
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(21,252)	(8,231)	(490,747)	(26,527)	(865)	(2,625)	(550,247)
Net book value	13,315	15,855	583,015	21,132	51,493	1,347	686,157
Cost							
Balance as at 1 January 2021	34,567	24,086	1,073,762	47,659	52,358	3,972	1,236,404
Additions	-	-	125	-	31,198	-	31,323
Reclassifications	-	-	(161,255)	-	-	-	(161,255)
Other movements	-	-	(149)	-	-	-	(149)
Disposals	-	-	(32)	(132)	-	(97)	(261)
Balance as at 31 March 2021	34,567	24,086	912,451	47,527	83,556	3,875	1,106,062
Accumulated depreciation and impairment							
Balance as at 1 January 2021	(21,252)	(8,231)	(490,747)	(26,527)	(865)	(2,625)	(550,247)
Depreciation for the period	(239)	(418)	(28,801)	(2,640)	-	(126)	(32,224)
Reclassifications	-	-	76,569	-	865	-	77,434
Impairment	-	-	(26)	-	-	-	(26)
Disposals	-	-	18	127	-	92	237
Balance as at 31 March 2021	(21,491)	(8,649)	(442,987)	(29,040)	-	(2,659)	(504,826)
Carrying amounts							
As at 31 December 2020	13,315	15,855	583,015	21,132	51,493	1,347	686,157
As at 31 March 2021	13,076	15,437	469,464	18,487	83,556	1,216	601,236

Reclassification relates to items reclassified from property, plant and equipment to intangible assets.

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11 Right of use assets

	Network infrastructure	Base station land	Buildings	Office equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>						
Balance at 31 December 2020						
Cost	691,337	14,006	6,510	398	9,332	721,583
Accumulated depreciation and impairment	(116,033)	(6,064)	(3,031)	(265)	(445)	(125,838)
Net book value	575,304	7,942	3,479	133	8,887	595,745
Cost						
Balance as at 1 January 2021	691,337	14,006	6,510	398	9,332	721,583
Additions	58,172	93	-	-	-	58,265
Balance as at 31 March 2021	749,509	14,099	6,510	398	9,332	779,848
Depreciation						
Balance as at 1 January 2021	(116,033)	(6,064)	(3,031)	(265)	(445)	(125,838)
Depreciation for the period	(19,063)	(796)	(358)	(33)	(467)	(20,717)
Balance as at 31 March 2021	(135,096)	(6,860)	(3,389)	(298)	(912)	(146,555)
Carrying amounts						
As at December 2020	575,304	7,942	3,479	133	8,887	595,745
As at 31 March 2021	614,413	7,239	3,121	100	8,420	633,293

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12 Intangible assets

Group	Goodwill	Licences	Software	Capital WIP	Total
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>					
Balance at 31 December 2020					
Cost	10,016	185,158	64,069	8,548	267,791
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	-	(125,435)	(31,276)	-	(156,711)
Net book value	10,016	59,723	32,793	8,548	111,080
Cost					
Balance as at 1 January 2021	10,016	185,158	64,069	8,548	267,791
Additions	-	61,260	110	149	61,519
Reclassification	-	185,984	(18,223)	(6,506)	161,255
Balance as at 31 March 2021	10,016	432,402	45,956	2,191	490,565
Accumulated amortisation and impairment					
Balance as at 1 January 2021	-	(125,435)	(31,276)	-	(156,711)
Amortisation for the period	-	(14,483)	(4,019)	-	(18,502)
Reclassifications	-	(85,249)	7,815	-	(77,434)
Balance as at 31 March 2021	-	(225,167)	(27,480)	-	(252,647)
Carrying amounts					
As at 31 December 2020	10,016	59,723	32,793	8,548	111,080
As at 31 March 2021	10,016	207,235	18,476	2,191	237,918
Company					
Balance at 31 December 2020					
Cost	-	136,403	64,472	8,548	209,423
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	-	(98,251)	(31,647)	-	(129,898)
Net book value	-	38,152	32,825	8,548	79,525
Cost					
Balance as at 1 January 2021	-	136,403	64,472	8,548	209,423
Additions	-	61,260	110	149	61,519
Reclassification	-	185,984	(18,223)	(6,506)	161,255
Balance as at 31 March 2021	-	383,647	46,359	2,191	432,197
Accumulated amortisation and impairment					
Balance as at 1 January 2021	-	(98,251)	(31,647)	-	(129,898)
Amortisation for the year	-	(13,141)	(4,031)	-	(17,172)
Reclassification	-	(85,249)	7,815	-	(77,434)
Balance as at 31 March 2021	-	(196,641)	(27,863)	-	(224,504)
Carrying amounts					
As at 31 December 2020	-	38,152	32,825	8,548	79,525
As at 31 March 2021	-	187,006	18,496	2,191	207,693

Reclassification relates to items reclassified from property, plant and equipment to intangible assets.

Goodwill relates to the acquisition of Visafone Communications Limited.

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	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
13 Investment in subsidiaries				
Visafone Communications Limited	-	-	43,778	43,778
XS Broadband Limited	-	-	500	500
Yello Digital Financial Services Limited	-	-	5,550	5,550
Total investment	-	-	49,828	49,828
Impairment (XS Broadband Ltd)	-	-	(500)	(500)
	-	-	49,328	49,328
14 Other investments				
Treasury bonds at amortised cost	18,999	26,070	18,999	26,070
Allowance for expected credit losses	(119)	(223)	(119)	(223)
	18,880	25,847	18,880	25,847
15 Other non current assets				
Contract acquisition costs	6,994	7,990	6,994	7,990
Non current prepayment	10,962	13,906	10,962	13,906
	17,956	21,896	17,956	21,896
16 Current investments				
US Dollar deposits held at amortised cost	507	19,015	507	19,015
NGN deposits at amortised cost	-	93,026	-	93,026
Treasury bills held at amortised cost	88,232	9,831	88,232	9,831
Allowance for expected credit losses	(930)	(69)	(930)	(69)
Net current investments at amortised cost	87,809	121,803	87,809	121,803
Treasury bills held at FVTPL	25,681	24,980	25,681	24,980
	113,490	146,783	113,490	146,783
17 Inventories				
Handsets and accessories	2,335	1,245	2,335	1,245
Starter packs	5,357	3,582	5,357	3,582
	7,692	4,827	7,692	4,827
Inventory write-down	(2,665)	(2,669)	(2,665)	(2,669)
	5,027	2,158	5,027	2,158

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	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
18 Trade and other receivables				
Financial instruments				
Trade receivables	42,569	34,213	39,091	33,119
Trade receivables - related parties	19,410	13,469	23,953	16,457
Allowance for expected credit losses	(11,519)	(10,941)	(11,101)	(10,523)
Net trade receivables	50,460	36,741	51,943	39,053
Other receivables	201	3,273	201	3,317
	50,661	40,014	52,144	42,370
Non-financial instruments				
Sundry receivables and advances	79	216	79	216
Other non-financial receivables*	21,920	5,918	21,910	5,908
Prepayments	97,003	18,524	97,001	18,522
Less: non current prepayments	(10,962)	(13,906)	(10,962)	(13,906)
	108,040	10,752	108,028	10,740
	158,701	50,766	160,172	53,110
*Other non-financial receivables includes the placement of minimum capital with Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) for Payment Service Bank license and withholding tax receivables.				
19 Restricted cash				
Restricted cash deposits	51,178	47,913	53,762	47,913
Restricted cash represents deposits with banks to secure Letters of Credit and collateral against repayment on borrowings. Also included in restricted cash is the retention fee on purchase of Visafone Communications Limited.				
20 Cash and cash equivalents				
Cash and cash equivalents consist of:				
Bank balances	247,800	244,893	240,766	240,736
Short-term deposits	100,891	30,932	100,800	30,932
Cash and cash equivalent	348,691	275,825	341,566	271,668
Allowance for expected credit losses	(627)	(627)	(627)	(627)
Net cash and cash equivalents	348,064	275,198	340,939	271,041

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	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
21 Borrowings				
The maturity of the loans is as follows:				
Payable within one year (included in current liabilities)	210,697	190,599	210,697	190,599
More than one year but not exceeding two years	85,544	87,381	85,544	87,381
More than two years but not exceeding five years	220,817	225,049	220,817	225,049
More than five years	18,356	18,121	18,356	18,121
Amounts included in non-current liabilities	324,717	330,551	324,717	330,551
Total borrowings	535,414	521,150	535,414	521,150
21.1 Borrowings reconciliation				
Opening balance	521,150	412,542	521,150	412,542
Drawdown	118,230	143,682	118,230	143,682
Repayment	(112,207)	(41,748)	(112,207)	(41,748)
Prepaid borrowing cost	-	354	-	354
Accrued interest	6,701	2,569	6,701	2,569
Revaluation loss	1,540	3,751	1,540	3,751
Closing balance	535,414	521,150	535,414	521,150

21.2 Summary of borrowing arrangements

MTN Nigeria has a loan portfolio with a consortium of local banks, foreign banks and export development agencies. The details of the facilities are as follows:

Facility	Type	Outstanding balance as at 31 March 2021
Local facility M	N200 billion local currency term loan maturing in 2025, variable interest loan, linked to average 3-Month NIBOR plus a margin of 1.75%.	N200 billion
Local facility N	N200 billion local currency term loan maturing in 2026, variable interest loan, linked to average 3-Month NIBOR plus a margin of 1.75%.	N180 billion
Foreign facility H	US\$329 million Export Credit Agency backed Facility from KfW-IPEX Bank and Citibank. The first tranche (H1) of the loan totalling \$87m has been drawn while the remaining tranches (H2 and H3) expired undrawn. H1 and H3 are variable interest loan facilities linked to the 6-Month LIBOR plus a 1.15% margin, while H2 is a fixed interest rate loan at 2.18% p.a.	USD 34.1 million
Foreign facility J	Syndicated Buyer's Credit Facility with floating interest rate Facilities at 6-Month LIBOR plus a margin of 5.5%.	USD 50.8 million
Foreign facility O	US\$95m Syndicated Facility from AFC and RMB was arranged in 2020, with one-year moratorium. The facility is in two tranches (O1 and O2) of US\$50 million and US\$45 million, respectively. The first tranche (O1) has been fully drawn while \$38.8m was drawn from second tranche (O2). Facility O principal will be repaid over 5 equal semi-annual installments which will commence in December 2021. It is a floating interest loan linked to the 6Month LIBOR plus a 5.5% margin.	USD 88.8 million
Commercial Paper	Under the N200 billion Commercial paper Issuance Programme, we have two series issued on March 22, 2021 comprising of: Series III: With a Face value of N19.8bn for 181 days at discount rate of 6.76% Series IV: With a face value of N53.7bn for 269 days at discount rate of 7.55%.	N 73.5 billion

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	Group		Company	
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<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
22 Trade and other payables				
Financial instruments				
Trade payables	146,965	67,384	144,640	65,624
Trade payables - related parties	26,970	27,474	27,307	27,811
Other accrued expenses	120,782	170,227	118,735	168,957
Other payables	433	607	433	607
	295,150	265,692	291,115	262,999
Non-financial instruments				
Other non-financial accrued expenses	37,249	15,702	37,249	15,676
Sundry payables	1,389	1,250	1,389	1,191
Other non-financial payables	32,829	21,333	32,156	21,316
	71,467	38,285	70,794	38,183
	366,617	303,977	361,909	301,182
23 Contract liabilities				
Contract liabilities	67,284	62,301	66,902	61,919
24 Provisions				
At the beginning of period	24,771	25,761	24,771	25,761
Additions	1,595	18,880	1,595	18,880
Unused amount reversed	(200)	(6,681)	(200)	(6,681)
Utilised	(3,449)	(13,189)	(3,449)	(13,189)
At the end of the period	22,717	24,771	22,717	24,771
Current	22,474	24,733	22,474	24,733
Non-current	243	38	243	38
25 Other current liabilities				
Derivatives	227	194	227	194
Total other current liabilities	227	194	227	194
26 Deferred tax				
Opening balance	113,130	120,587	108,693	113,040
Charge to profit or loss	(3,909)	(4,347)	(3,314)	(4,347)
Arising on consolidation	-	(3,110)	-	-
	109,221	113,130	105,379	108,693

The deferred tax assets and liabilities have been offset because the Group has a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities. They also relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority. Prior year balances have been restated to reflect a net deferred tax liability position.

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	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020*
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
27 Employee benefits				
Present value of defined benefit obligation	8,261	1,578	8,261	1,578
Current service cost	103	7,062	103	7,062
Benefits paid by the plan	(37)	(379)	(37)	(379)
	8,327	8,261	8,327	8,261
Employment benefits comprise of the present values of :				
Defined Benefit Obligation- retirement benefits	2,803	2,751	2,803	2,751
Long Service Awards	5,524	5,510	5,524	5,510
	8,327	8,261	8,327	8,261
28 Other non-current liabilities				
Share based payment liability	3,027	2,273	3,027	2,273
29 Lease liabilities				
The statement of financial position shows the following amounts relating to leases:				
Current	56,530	54,798	56,530	54,798
Non-current	627,785	586,992	627,785	586,992
As at period/year end	684,315	641,790	684,315	641,790
Lease liabilities reconciliation				
Opening balance	641,790	492,073	641,790	492,073
Additions	58,013	43,543	58,013	43,543
Modifications	-	132,745	-	132,745
Interest capitalised	21,588	78,544	21,588	78,544
Revaluations	199	(204)	199	(204)
Payments - principal portion	(15,687)	(26,676)	(15,687)	(26,676)
Payments - interest portion	(21,588)	(78,235)	(21,588)	(78,235)
Closing balance	684,315	641,790	684,315	641,790
30 Current tax payable				
Opening balance	107,310	65,625	107,038	65,325
Provision for the period/year - company income tax	30,785	90,774	30,785	90,772
Provision for the period/year - education tax	2,360	10,324	2,360	10,319
Provision for the period/year - capital gains tax	-	15	-	15
Provision for the year/ period - Nigerian Police Trust Fund	5	4	5	4
Tax paid	(4,000)	(55,912)	(4,000)	(55,877)
Withholding tax credit	-	(1,884)	-	(1,884)
Reclassification	-	(1,636)	-	(1,636)
Closing balance	136,460	107,310	136,188	107,038

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	Notes	Group for the period ended		Company for the period ended	
		31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>					
31 Cash generated from operations					
Profit before tax		102,989	76,905	104,975	79,300
<i>Adjustments for non cash items:</i>					
Finance income	5	(1,227)	(5,695)	(1,227)	(5,690)
Finance cost	5	31,345	39,366	31,345	39,366
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	10	32,224	37,363	32,224	37,363
Depreciation of right of use assets	11	20,717	14,993	20,717	14,993
Impairment of property, plant and equipment	10	26	1,045	26	1,045
Amortisation of intangible assets	12	18,502	8,837	17,172	7,507
(Profit)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	7	(119)	354	(119)	354
Credit loss expense on trade and other receivables	18			578	593
		578	593	578	593
(Reversal of impairment)/impairment of trading inventory		(4)	306	(4)	306
Provision expense	24	1,395	3,469	1,395	3,469
Employee benefits costs	27	103	-	103	-
Loss on fair valuation of derivative		33	330	33	330
Share based payment		754	-	754	-
		207,316	177,866	207,972	178,936
Changes in working capital:					
Increase in inventories		(2,865)	(133)	(2,865)	(133)
Increase in trade and other receivables		(99,961)	(10,276)	(99,088)	(11,340)
Increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables		59,075	(12,887)	54,578	(12,557)
Increase in contract liabilities		4,983	(1,913)	4,983	(2,233)
		(38,768)	(25,209)	(42,392)	(26,263)
Cash generated from operations		168,548	152,657	165,580	152,673

*2020 figures have been restated to reflect the amendment in accounting treatment of IFRS 16 leases

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	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>		
32 Equity		
32.1 Authorised:		
27,850,000,000 ordinary shares of N0.02 each	557	557
	557	557
32.2 Issued and fully paid:		
20,354,513,050 ordinary shares of N0.02 each	407	407
	407	407
32.3 Share premium		
4,500,000 ordinary shares of N 3,779.89 each	17,009	17,009
138,960 ordinary shares of N 1,488.15 each	207	207
	17,216	17,216

33 Earnings per share (EPS)

Earnings per share (EPS) is calculated by dividing the profit attributable to equity holders of the Group by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding at the end of the reporting period. On the other hand, 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.

	Group		Company	
	For the period ended 31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*	For the period ended 31 Mar 2021	31 Mar 2020*
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
Profit attributable to equity holders	73,748	51,743	75,139	53,420
Weighted average number of ordinary shares*	20,355	20,355	20,355	20,355
Basic/diluted EPS (N)	3.62	2.54	3.69	2.62

*2020 figures have been restated to reflect the amendment in accounting treatment of IFRS 16 leases

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34 Related party transactions

Related party transactions constitute the transfer of resources, services or obligations between the Group and a party related to the Group, regardless of whether a price is charged.

Various transactions are entered into by the Company and its subsidiaries during the year with related parties. The terms of these transactions are at arm's length. Intra-group transactions are eliminated on consolidation.

Holding and ultimate holding companies

The Company's holding Company is MTN International (Mauritius) Limited, a Company incorporated in the Republic of Mauritius and its ultimate holding Company is MTN Group Limited, a Company incorporated in South Africa. MTN Nigeria Communications Plc's subsidiaries are XS Broadband Limited, Yello Digital Financial Services Limited and Visafone Communications Limited. Their principal activity is the provision of broadband fixed wireless access service, mobile financial services and high quality telecommunication service respectively.

	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020

In millions of Nigerian Naira

The following is a summary of transactions between the Group and its related parties during the year and balances due at year end:

Parent Company: MTN International (Mauritius) Limited

Dividends paid (excluding withholding tax):

MTN International (Mauritius) Ltd	-	121,325	-	121,325
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Subsidiaries:

Visafone Communications Limited

Net settlement of liabilities by the subsidiary	-	-	-	(516)
Amounts (due to)/due from related party	-	-	(337)	(337)

Yello Digital Financial Services Limited

Net settlement of liabilities by the subsidiary	-	-	1,734	1,069
Amounts due from related party	-	-	3,905	2,171

XS Broadband Limited

Net settlement of liabilities by the subsidiary	-	-	-	25
Amounts due from related party	-	-	638	638

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34 Related party transactions (continued)

Related parties under MTN Group

MTN Nigeria transacts with its sister companies under the MTN Group.

	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
Amounts due to related parties				
MTN Sudan	15	111	15	111
MTN Uganda	2	2	2	2
MTN Zambia	6	7	6	7
MTN Dubai	884	565	884	565
Global Trading Company	1,027	491	1,027	491
MTN Management Services Co	485	1,517	485	1,517
MTN Benin	642	1,302	642	1,302
MTN Cameroon	274	282	274	282
MTN Congo	6	13	6	13
MTN Cote d'Ivoire	83	80	83	80
MTN Ghana	151	145	151	145
MTN Guinea Bissau	1	1	1	1
MTN Rwanda	1	1	1	1
MTN South Africa	-	14	-	14
Interserve Overseas Ltd	7,997	6,133	7,997	6,133
MTN Global Connect	5,803	2,482	5,803	2,482
Mobile Telephone Networks (Pty) Ltd	73	-	73	-
MTN International (Mauritius) Limited	9,506	14,328	9,506	14,328
MTN Holdings	14	-	14	-
Total	26,970	27,474	26,970	27,474
Amounts due from related parties				
MTN Sudan	1	96	1	96
MTN Zambia	44	40	44	40
MTN Dubai	7	-	7	-
MTN Group Management Services	2,390	3,232	2,390	3,232
MTN Benin	-	37	-	37
MTN Cameroon	359	489	359	489
MTN Congo	28	39	28	39
MTN Cote d'Ivoire	121	80	121	80
MTN Ghana	-	-	-	-
MTN Guinea Bissau	28	27	28	27
MTN Rwanda	-	-	-	-
MTN South Africa	-	1	-	1
MTN Guinea Conakry	19	17	19	17
MTN Namibia	-	-	-	-
Lonestar Communications Corporations (Liberia)	40	35	40	35
MTN Global Connect	16,127	9,376	16,127	9,376
Mobile Telephone Networks (Pty) Ltd	246	-	246	-
Total	19,410	13,469	19,410	13,469

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34 Related party transactions (continued)

	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
Purchases from related parties				
MTN Sudan	1	27	1	27
MTN Uganda	1	20	1	20
MTN Zambia	-	7	-	7
MTN Dubai	-	3,453	-	3,453
Global Trading Company	752	1,029	752	1,029
MTN Benin	38	1,758	38	1,758
MTN Cameroon	9	278	9	278
MTN Congo	-	4	-	4
MTN Cote d'Ivoire	2	72	2	72
MTN Ghana	1	739	1	739
MTN Guinea Bissau	-	3	-	3
MTN Rwanda	1	9	1	9
MTN Guinea Conakry	-	1	-	1
Lonestar Communications Corporations (Liberia)	1	3	1	3
MTN Irancell	-	1	-	1
MTN South Sudan	-	3	-	3
MTN Cyprus	-	3	-	3
MTN Global Connect	4,406	1,731	4,406	1,731
Mobile Telephone Networks (Pty) Ltd	1	621	1	621
Sales to related parties				
MTN Sudan	-	1	-	1
MTN Uganda	1	1	1	1
MTN Zambia	3	13	3	13
MTN Benin	45	68	45	68
MTN Cameroon	12	24	12	24
MTN Congo	-	-	-	-
MTN Cote d'Ivoire	3	4	3	4
MTN Ghana	15	36	15	36
MTN Rwanda	1	1	1	1
MTN Guinea Conakry	-	1	-	1
MTN Namibia	-	-	-	-
Lonestar Communications Corporations (Liberia)	1	2	1	2
MTN South Sudan	6	11	6	11
MTN Global Connect	8,605	14,328	8,605	14,328
Mobile Telephone Networks (Pty) Ltd	12	24	12	24

The receivables from related parties arise mainly from professional, roaming and interconnect services transactions rendered on behalf of other operations within MTN Group. These are due one month after the date of rendering of service.

Trade payables to related parties arise mainly from professional fees, interconnect, roaming service transactions rendered on MTN Nigeria's behalf by other operations within the MTN Group and are due one month after the date of purchase.

No allowance for expected credit loss on receivables from related parties because MTN Nigeria is in a net payable position.

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35 Financial risk management and financial instruments

35.1 Accounting classes and fair values

Group	Amortised Cost	FVTPL	FVOCI	Total Carrying Amount
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
31 March 2021				
Non-current financial liabilities				
Other investments	18,880	-	-	18,880
	18,880	-	-	18,880
Current financial assets				
Trade and other receivables	50,661	-	-	50,661
Current investments	87,809	25,681	-	113,490
Cash at bank and on hand	348,064	-	-	348,064
Restricted cash	51,178	-	-	51,178
	537,712	25,681	-	563,393
	556,592	25,681	-	582,273
Non-current financial liabilities				
Borrowings	324,717	-	-	324,717
Lease Liabilities	627,785	-	-	627,785
	952,502	-	-	952,502
Current financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	295,150	-	-	295,150
Borrowings	210,697	-	-	210,697
Lease Liabilities	56,530	-	-	56,530
Derivatives	-	227	-	227
	562,377	227	-	562,604
	1,514,879	227	-	1,515,106
31 December 2020				
Non-current financial liabilities				
Other investments	25,847	-	-	25,847
	25,847	-	-	25,847
Current financial assets				
Trade and other receivables	40,014	-	-	40,014
Current investments	121,803	24,980	-	146,783
Cash at bank and on hand	275,198	-	-	275,198
Restricted cash	47,913	-	-	47,913
	484,928	24,980	-	509,908
	510,775	24,980	-	535,755
Non-current financial liabilities				
Borrowings	330,551	-	-	330,551
Lease Liabilities	586,992	-	-	586,992
	917,543	-	-	917,543
Current financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	265,692	-	-	265,692
Borrowings	190,599	-	-	190,599
Lease Liabilities	54,798	-	-	54,798
Derivatives	-	194	-	194
	511,089	194	-	511,283
	1,428,632	194	-	1,428,826

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35 Financial risk management and financial instruments (continued)

35.1 Accounting classes and fair values (continued)

Company	Amortised Cost	FVTPL	FVOCI	Total Carrying Amount
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
31 March 2021				
Non-current financial liabilities				
Other investments	18,880	-	-	18,880
	18,880	-	-	18,880
Current financial assets				
Trade and other receivables	52,144	-	-	52,144
Current investments	87,809	25,681	-	113,490
Cash at bank and on hand	340,939	-	-	340,939
Restricted cash	53,762	-	-	53,762
	534,654	25,681	-	560,335
	553,534	25,681	-	579,215
Non-current financial liabilities				
Borrowings	324,717	-	-	324,717
Lease Liabilities	627,785	-	-	627,785
	952,502	-	-	952,502
Current financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	291,115	-	-	291,115
Borrowings	210,697	-	-	210,697
Lease Liabilities	56,530	-	-	56,530
Derivatives	-	227	-	227
	558,342	227	-	558,569
	1,510,844	227	-	1,511,071
31 December 2020				
Non-current financial liabilities				
Other investments	25,847	-	-	25,847
	25,847	-	-	25,847
Current financial assets				
Trade and other receivables	42,370	-	-	42,370
Current investments	121,803	24,980	-	146,783
Cash at bank and on hand	271,041	-	-	271,041
Restricted cash	47,913	-	-	47,913
	483,127	24,980	-	508,107
	508,974	24,980	-	533,954
Non-current financial liabilities				
Borrowings	330,551	-	-	330,551
Lease Liabilities	586,992	-	-	586,992
	917,543	-	-	917,543
Current financial liabilities				
Trade and other payables	262,999	-	-	262,999
Borrowings	190,599	-	-	190,599
Lease Liabilities	54,798	-	-	54,798
Derivatives	-	194	-	194
	508,396	194	-	508,590
	1,425,939	194	-	1,426,133

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35 Financial risk management and financial instruments (continued)

35.2 Fair value estimation

Where a financial asset or liability is carried on the statement of financial position at fair value, additional disclosure is required. In particular, the fair values need to be classified in accordance with the fair value hierarchy. This fair value hierarchy distinguishes between different fair value methodologies based on the level of subjectivity applied in the valuation. The fair value hierarchy is split into the following levels:

Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (e.g. the price quoted on a stock exchange for a listed share),

Level 2: Valuation techniques with inputs other than quoted prices (included within level 1) that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (e.g. a valuation that uses observable interest rates or foreign exchange rates as inputs),

Level 3: Valuation techniques with inputs that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (e.g. a valuation that uses the expected growth rate of an underlying business as input).

The Group's financial instruments measured at fair value are presented below.

Group and Company	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
31 March 2021				
Assets				
Treasury bills at FVTPL	25,681	-	-	25,681
	25,681	-	-	25,681
Liabilities				
Derivatives	-	227	-	227
	-	227	-	227
31 December 2020				
Assets				
Treasury bills at FVTPL	24,980	-	-	24,980
	24,980	-	-	24,980
Liabilities				
Derivatives	-	194	-	194
	-	194	-	194

Financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost – The carrying value of current receivables and liabilities measured at amortised cost approximates their fair value.

The fair values of the majority of the non-current liabilities measured at amortised cost are also not significantly different from their carrying values.

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35 Financial instruments and risk management (continued)

35.3 Credit risk

Credit risk or the risk of financial loss to the Group due to customers or counter parties not meeting their contractual obligations and is managed through the application of credit approvals, limits and monitoring procedures.

The Group's maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of the financial assets that are exposed to credit risk.

The following instruments give rise to credit risk*In millions of Nigerian Naira*

	Group		Company	
	31 March 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 March 2021	31 Dec 2020
Other investments	18,880	25,847	18,880	25,847
Cash and cash equivalents	348,064	275,198	340,939	271,041
Trade receivables	50,661	40,014	52,144	42,370
Restricted cash	51,178	47,913	53,762	47,913
Current investments	87,809	121,803	87,809	121,803
	556,592	510,775	553,534	508,974

Cash and cash equivalents and restricted cash

The Group's exposure and the credit ratings of its counter parties are continuously monitored and the aggregate values of investment portfolio is spread amongst approved financial institutions, which are lending institutions to the Group. The Group's Cash investment activity is based on the SLY (Safety, Liquidity and Yield) principle while it also limits its cash holdings in a financial institution to a maximum of 40% of total investment portfolio to manage concentration risk. The Exposure is controlled by a right of setoff and counter party exposure limits.

The National Long Term credit ratings of the counterparty financial institutions where we have bank deposits and restricted cash range from AAA to BBB-

Expected Credit Losses (ECLs) are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. In determining the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, the Group apply the probability of default (default rate) based on rating by international credit rating agencies like S&P, Moodys and Fitch as well as local ratings by Agosto and Co.

Total estimated credit loss as at 31 March 2021 stood at N627 million (31 December 2020: N627 million) while credit loss expense for the period stood at Nil (March 2020 Nil).

The credit ratings of the counterparty financial institutions where we have bank deposits and restricted cash range from B- to B.

Trade receivables

Customer credit risk is managed by each business unit subject to the Group's established policy, procedures and control relating to customer credit risk management. Credit quality of a customer is assessed based on an extensive credit rating scorecard and individual credit limits are defined in accordance with this assessment.

An impairment analysis is performed at each reporting date using a provision matrix to measure expected credit losses. The provision rates are based on days past due for groupings of various customer segments with similar loss patterns (i.e., by geographical region, product type, customer type). The calculation reflects the probability-weighted outcome, the time value of money and reasonable and supportable information that is available at the reporting date about past events, current conditions and forecasts of future economic conditions.

The Group holds collateral as security for trade receivables relating to trade partners. These are bank guarantees held with bank with credit ratings of B- to B. A total of N4.51 billion was held as collateral for same value of receivables as at 31 March 2021 (Dec 2020: N4.67 billion). Trade partners are to pay within seven days of credit advanced. In the event of default, the bank guarantee is recalled immediately to offset the credit.

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35 Financial instruments and risk management (continued)
35.3 Credit risk (continued)
Current and other investments

Current investments are all liquid assets that consist of marketable securities. They are primarily selected based on the funding and liquidity plan of the Group and from issuers with the least known credit and default risk. In connection with investment decisions, priority is placed on the issuer's very high creditworthiness and the present yield/interest rates offered. In this assessment, the Group also considers the credit risk assessment of the issuer by the rating agencies such as Fitch, Standards and Poor (S & P). The Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) has one of the lowest credit risks known in the country and in a possibility of default, it could simply increase the circulation of money in the country or borrow from international sources to pay off its local debt. In line with the Group's risk policy, its investments in treasury bills have no historical rate of default and the investments can be liquidated and sold at the prevalent market rates at that point in time. The international rating for the FGN is B-, a speculative grade, for its Short-Term Local Currency Issuer Default Rating (IDR) which is a stable rating but not yet at the investment grade level which is hardly given to African Countries. Current investments are thus not subject to a material credit risk and are allocated to stage 1 of the impairment model.

The National Long Term credit ratings of the counterparty financial institutions where we have current investments range from AAA to BBB-

Expected Credit Losses (ECLs) are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate. In determining the cash flows that the Group expects to receive, the Group apply the probability of default (default rate) based on rating by international credit rating agencies like S&P, Moodys and Fitch as well as local ratings by Agosto and Co.

Total estimated credit loss as at 31 March 2021 stood at N130 million (31 December 2020: N292 million) while credit loss expense for the period stood at N757 million (March 2020: Nil).

The credit ratings of the counterparty financial institutions where we have current investments range from B- to B.

Reconciliation of gross carrying amount and related ECL

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Cash and cash equivalent	Current investments	Other investments	Total ECL
Group				
Balance as at 1 January 2020	116,278	45,057	-	-
Net movement during the year	158,823	76,815	26,070	-
Exchange gain/(loss)	724	-	-	-
Allowance for expected credit losses	(627)	(69)	(223)	(919)
Balance as at 31 December 2020	275,198	121,803	25,847	(919)
Net movement during the year	73,292	(33,064)	(6,848)	-
Exchange gain/(loss)	201	-	-	-
Allowance for expected credit losses	(627)	(930)	(119)	(1,676)
Balance as at 31 December 2021	348,064	87,809	18,880	-
Company				
Balance as at 1 January 2020	114,301	45,057	-	-
Net movement during the year	156,643	76,815	26,070	-
Exchange gain/(loss)	724	-	-	-
Allowance for expected credit losses	(627)	(69)	(223)	(919)
Balance as at 31 December 2020	271,041	121,803	25,847	(919)
Net movement during the year	70,324	(33,064)	(6,848)	-
Exchange gain/(loss)	201	-	-	-
Allowance for expected credit losses	(627)	(930)	(119)	(1,676)
Balance as at 31 December 2021	340,939	87,809	18,880	-

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35 Financial instruments and risk management

35.4 Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the cash flow or fair value of an interest bearing financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Financial assets and liabilities that are sensitive to interest rate risk are cash and cash equivalents, short term investments and borrowings. The interest rates applicable to these financial instruments are on a combination of floating and fixed basis in line with those currently available in the market.

The Group's interest rate risk arises from the repricing of the Group's floating rate debt, incremental funding or new borrowings, the refinancing of existing borrowings and the magnitude of the significant cash balances which exist. The Group manages its debt on an optimal mix of local and foreign borrowings and fixed and floating interest rates.

Profile

At the reporting date the interest rate profile of the Group's financial instruments is as follows:

Group	31 March 2021			31 December 2020		
	Fixed rate instruments	Variable rate instruments	Non interest bearing	Fixed rate instruments	Variable rate instruments	Non interest bearing
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>						
Financial assets						
Other investments	18,880	-	-	25,847	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	348,064	-	-	275,198	-	-
Current investments	113,490	-	-	146,783	-	-
Restricted cash	-	-	51,178	-	-	47,913
Trade and other receivables	-	-	50,661	-	-	40,014
	480,434	-	101,839	447,828	-	87,927
Financial liabilities						
Trade payables	-	-	146,965	-	-	67,384
Other accrued expenses	-	-	120,782	-	-	170,227
Other payables	-	-	433	-	-	607
Amounts due to related parties	-	26,970	-	-	27,811	-
Current borrowings	-	210,697	-	-	190,599	-
Non-current borrowings	-	324,717	-	-	330,551	-
	-	562,384	268,180	-	548,961	238,218
Company						
Financial assets						
Other investments	18,880	-	-	25,847	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents	340,939	-	-	271,041	-	-
Current investments	113,490	-	-	146,783	-	-
Restricted cash	-	-	53,762	-	-	47,913
Trade and other receivables	-	-	52,144	-	-	42,370
	473,309	-	105,906	443,671	-	90,283
Financial liabilities						
Trade payables	-	-	144,640	-	-	65,624
Other accrued expenses	-	-	118,735	-	-	168,957
Other payables	-	-	433	-	-	607
Amounts due to related parties	-	27,307	-	-	27,811	-
Current borrowings	-	210,697	-	-	190,599	-
Non-current borrowings	-	324,717	-	-	330,551	-
	-	562,721	263,808	-	548,961	235,188

Interest rate sensitivity

The following sensitivity analysis has been prepared using a sensitivity rate which is used when reporting interest rate risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in interest rates. All other variables remain constant. The sensitivity analysis includes only financial instruments exposed to interest rate risk which were recognised at the reporting date. No changes were made to the methods and assumptions used in the preparation of the sensitivity analysis compared to the previous reporting period.

The Group has used a sensitivity analysis technique that measures the estimated change to profit or loss of an instantaneous increase or decrease of 1% (100 basis points) in market interest rates, from the rate applicable at 31 December, for each class of financial instrument with all other variables remaining constant.

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35.4 Interest rate risk (continued)

The Group is mainly exposed to fluctuations in the following market interest rates: LIBOR and NIBOR. Changes in market interest rates affect the interest income or expense of floating rate financial instruments. Changes in market interest rates only affect profit or loss in relation to financial instruments with fixed interest rates if these financial instruments are recognised at their fair value.

A change in the above market interest rates at the reporting date would have increased/(decreased) profit before tax by the amounts shown below.

The analysis has been performed on the basis of the change occurring at the reporting date and assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remains constant. The analysis is performed on the same basis for prior year.

Group and Company	31 March 2021			31 Dec 2020		
	Increase/(decrease) in profit before tax			Increase/(decrease) in profit before tax		
	Change in interest rate	Upward	Downward	Change in interest rate	Upward	Downward
		change in interest rate	change in interest rate		change in interest rate	change in interest rate
%	N'million	N'million	%	N'million	N'million	
LIBOR	1	(385)	385	1	(292)	292
NIBOR	1	(3,027)	3,027	1	(3,217)	3,217

Currency risk

Currency risk is the exposure to exchange rate fluctuations that have an impact on cash flows and financing activities.

The Group manages foreign currency risk on major foreign denominated purchase orders through the use of Letters of Credit. The Group has also entered into a currency swap arrangement to enhance dollar liquidity to address critical operational requirements.

Sensitivity analysis

The Group is mainly exposed to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates in respect of the US Dollar, being the significant foreign denominated currency.

The Group has used a sensitivity analysis technique that measures the estimated change to the income statement of an instantaneous 10% strengthening or 5% weakening in the Nigerian Naira against the US Dollar, from the rate applicable at 31 December, for each class of financial instrument with all other variables, in particular interest rates, remaining constant.

A change in the foreign exchange rates to which the Group is exposed at the reporting date would have increased/(decreased) profit before tax by the amounts shown below.

The analysis has been performed on the basis of the change occurring at the start of the reporting period. The analysis is performed on the same basis for the Company.

Transactions in foreign currencies other than US Dollars were not significant.

Group and Company	31 March 2021		31 December 2020	
	Increase/(decrease) in profit before tax		Increase/(decrease) in profit before tax	
	10% weakening in Naira, resulting in a decrease in profit before tax	5% strengthening in Naira, resulting in an increase in profit before tax	10% weakening in Naira, resulting in a decrease in profit before tax	5% strengthening in Naira, resulting in an increase in profit before tax
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>				
Denominated:				
Functional				
US\$:NGN	(16,454)	8,227	(10,164)	5,082

35.5 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will be unable to meet its obligations as they become due.

The Group's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that sufficient liquidity is available to meet its liabilities when due under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Group's reputation.

The Group ensures it has sufficient cash on demand (currently the Group is maintaining a positive cash position) or access to facilities to meet expected operational expenses, including the servicing of financial obligations; this excludes the potential impact of extreme circumstances that cannot reasonably be predicted, such as natural disasters.

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35 Financial risk management and financial instruments (continued)

35.5 Liquidity risk (continued)

The following are the liquid resources:

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Carrying Amount			
	Group		Company	
	31 March 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 March 2021	31 Dec 2020
Cash at bank and on hand	348,064	275,198	340,939	271,041
Trade and other receivables	158,701	50,766	160,172	53,110
Current investments	113,490	146,783	113,490	146,783
	620,255	472,747	614,601	470,934

The following are the contractual maturities of financial liabilities

Group	Carrying amount	Payable within one month or on demand	More than one month but not exceeding three months	More than three months but not exceeding one year	More than one year but not exceeding two years	More than two years but not exceeding five years	More than five years	Total
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>								
31 March 2021								
Trade payables and other payables	295,150	268,802	26,348	-	-	-	-	295,150
Derivatives	227	-	-	227	-	-	-	227
Current borrowings	210,697	18,070	166,100	81,783	-	-	-	265,953
Current lease liability	56,530	-	32,485	66,121	-	-	-	98,606
Non-current borrowings	324,717	-	-	-	94,965	257,303	19,282	371,550
Non-current lease liability	627,785	-	-	-	132,241	391,456	504,561	1,028,258
	1,515,106	286,872	224,933	148,131	227,206	648,759	523,843	2,059,744
31 December 2020								
Trade payables and other payables	265,692	192,515	73,177	-	-	-	-	265,692
Derivatives	194	-	-	194	-	-	-	194
Current borrowings	190,599	18,070	88,522	87,650	-	-	-	194,242
Current lease liability	54,798	-	31,785	89,651	-	-	-	121,436
Non-current borrowings	330,551	-	-	-	109,938	265,000	19,282	394,220
Non-current lease liability	586,992	-	-	-	120,881	357,299	459,303	937,483
	1,428,826	210,585	193,484	177,495	230,819	622,299	478,585	1,913,267

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35 Financial risk management and financial instruments (continued)

35.5 Liquidity risk (continued)

Company	Carrying amount	Payable within one month or on demand	More than one month but not exceeding three months	More than three months but not exceeding one year	More than one year but not exceeding two years	More than two years but not exceeding five years	More than five years	Total
<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>								
31 March 2021								
Trade payables and other payables	291,115	263,995	27,120	-	-	-	-	291,115
Derivatives	227	-	-	227	-	-	-	227
Current borrowings	210,697	18,070	166,100	81,783	-	-	-	265,953
Current lease liability	56,530	-	32,485	66,121	-	-	-	98,606
Non-current borrowings	324,717	-	-	-	94,965	257,303	19,282	371,550
Non-current lease liability	627,785	-	-	-	132,241	391,456	504,561	1,028,258
	1,511,071	282,065	225,705	148,131	227,206	648,759	523,843	2,055,709
31 December 2020								
Trade payables and other payables	262,999	190,895	72,104	-	-	-	-	262,999
Derivatives	194	-	-	194	-	-	-	194
Current borrowings	190,599	18,070	88,522	87,650	-	-	-	194,242
Current lease liability	54,798	-	31,785	89,651	-	-	-	121,436
Non-current borrowings	330,551	-	-	-	109,938	265,000	19,282	394,220
Non-current lease liability	586,992	-	-	-	120,881	357,299	459,303	937,483
	1,426,133	208,965	192,411	177,495	230,819	622,299	478,585	1,910,574

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35 Financial risk management and financial instruments (continued)

35.6 Capital risk management

The Group seeks to optimise its capital structure by ensuring adequate gearing levels taking into consideration working capital, cash flow, existing loan covenants, operational requirements, business plan and broader macro-economic conditions.

It maximizes external borrowings on the back of its strong cash generating capacity. In line with its funding policy, the Group diversifies funding sources across local and international markets and ensures that new facility conditions comply with existing loan covenants.

Management monitors net debt to EBITDA and EBITDA to net interest in line with the financial covenants in the loan agreement while it seeks to limit refinancing risk by controlling the concentrations of maturing obligations in the short end of maturity profile. Equity approximates share capital and reserves. EBITDA is defined as earnings before interest, tax, depreciation, amortisation and goodwill impairment/losses.

Gross debt relates to MTN Nigeria syndicated medium term loan and commercial paper, net debt is the gross debt less cash and cash equivalents and total funding is gross debt plus equity.

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Group	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020
Revenue	385,318	1,346,390	385,241	1,346,288
Operating expenses excluding depreciation and amortisation	(180,768)	(685,740)	(180,035)	(690,806)
EBITDA	204,550	660,650	205,206	655,482
Gross debt	535,414	521,150	535,414	521,150
Cash and cash equivalents	(348,064)	(275,198)	(340,939)	(271,041)
Net debt	187,350	245,952	194,475	250,109
Gross debt	535,414	521,150	535,414	521,150
Equity	252,134	178,386	277,371	202,232
Total funding	787,548	699,536	812,785	723,382
Gross debt :Total funding	68%	74%	66%	72%
Net debt: Total funding	24%	35%	24%	35%
Net debt : EBITDA	92%	37%	95%	38%

36 Commitments for the acquisition of property, plant, equipment and software

<i>In millions of Nigerian Naira</i>	Group		Company	
	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020	31 Mar 2021	31 Dec 2020
Commitments for the acquisition of property, plant, equipment and software				
Contracted	142,990	232,154	142,990	232,154
Approved but not contracted	87,997	82,261	87,997	82,261
Total commitments for property, plant, equipment and software	230,987	314,415	230,987	314,415

37 Going concern assessment

In accordance with the requirements of IAS 1.25, the Board of Directors of MTN Communications Nigeria PLC have performed an assessment of the entity's ability to continue as a going concern when preparing financial statements. The Board has considered whether:

- there is an intention to liquidate MTN Nigeria.
- there is an intention to cease operations.
- MTNN has no realistic alternative but to liquidate or cease operations.

Furthermore, we have considered the various events and conditions below that may exist and impact the business individually or collectively may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern such as:

- There are no fixed-term borrowings approaching maturity without realistic prospects of renewal or repayment. We are currently complying with all loan agreements and no loans have been renegotiated.
- There are currently no changes in legislation or government policy expected to adversely affect MTN Communications Nigeria PLC.

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37 Going concern assessment (continued)

- There are no substantial operating losses or significant deterioration in the value of assets used to generate cash flows, however there's been a major impact of forex deterioration on the business due to the increase in the NAFEX rate from N387 to around N410 to \$1. There is an ongoing effort to re-denominate some categories of foreign denominated expenditure to local currency to reduce exposure to exchange rate volatility.
- There are no plans to restructure the business of MTN Nigeria, dispose major assets or business.
- An assessment of forecast cash flows and projections has been performed, including potential impact of external/internal variations, uncertainties and sensitivity of expenditure plans. We are satisfied that the business continuity is not hindered in any way or manner.

Based on the factors considered above and taking account of reasonable possible changes in trading performance and the current financial position, the going concern basis has been adopted in preparing the consolidated financial statements. The Directors have a reasonable expectation that the Group and Company have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

38 Securities Trading Policy

MTN Nigeria Communications Plc has in place a Securities Trading Policy which guides the Board and employees when effecting transactions in the Company's shares. The Policy provides for periods for Dealing in Shares and other Securities, established communication protocols on periods when transactions are not permitted to be effected on the Company's Shares as well as disclosure requirements when effecting such transactions.

Insiders covered in this Policy have not notified the Company of any dealing in the Company's Securities within this period and the Company is not aware of any breach of this Policy within the period.

39 Shareholders and their interest

Share Range	Number of Shareholders	% of Shareholder	Number of holdings	% Shareholding
1 - 10,000	6,430	76.8955	9,846,942	0.05
10,001 - 50,000	921	11.0141	23,747,379	0.12
50,001 - 100,000	161	1.9254	15,289,023	0.08
100,001 - 500,000	489	5.8479	114,820,710	0.56
500,001 - 1,000,000	114	1.3633	84,245,720	0.41
1,000,001 - 5,000,000	152	1.8177	350,032,640	1.72
5,000,001 - 10,000,000	34	0.4066	234,946,170	1.15
10,000,001 - 50,000,000	48	0.5740	942,933,589	4.63
50,000,001 - 100,000,000	3	0.0359	187,997,182	0.92
100,000,001 - 500,000,000	7	0.0837	1,538,502,595	7.56
500,000,001 - 1,000,000,000	2	0.0239	1,366,607,050	6.71
1,000,000,001 - Above	1	0.0120	15,485,544,050	76.08
Total	8,362	100	20,354,513,050	100

As at 31 March 2021, MTN International (Mauritius) Limited with total interest of 76.08% held more than 5% of the issued share capital of the Company.

40 Free float information

MTN Nigeria Communications Plc with a free float value of N397,692,186,294.60 as at March 2021 (March 2020: N222,519,584,970) is compliant with The Exchange's requirements for free float for companies listed on the Premium Board.

41 Contingent liabilities

Contingent liabilities represent possible obligations that arise from past events whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Group.

The Group has N8.049 billion (December 2019: N16 billion) contingent liabilities arising from claims and litigations in the ordinary course of business and the Group is defending these actions. These matters are currently being considered by various courts and the timing of the judgements are unknown. In the opinion of the directors, which is based on advice from the legal counsels, no material loss is expected to arise from these claims and litigations.

42 Events after the reporting period

There were no subsequent events that materially impact these financial statements.