

"Diversified portfolio of IBL delivers resilient performance despite sluggish market"

(IRELAND BLYTH LIMITED INCORPORATED IN THE REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS) (FILE NO. 2052)

UNAUDITED PROFIT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

Statement of comprehensive	THE GROUP			
income (abridged)	Quarter ended		Half year ended	
	31.12.2014	31.12.2013	31.12.2014	31.12.2013
	Rs000	Rs000	Rs000	Rs000
Revenue	4,750,920	5,038,650	9,707,920	10,270,970
Profit from operations	272,990	284,430	512,870	622,660
Share of profits less losses of associates	12,880	15,560	42,090	37,560
Net finance costs	(94,880)	(109,870)	(202,650)	(225,110)
Profit before taxation	190,990	190,120	352,310	435,110
Taxation	(22,270)	(18,440)	(39,910)	(36,660)
Profit for the period	168,720	171,680	312,400	398,450
Other comprehensive income for the period	(14,710)	(1,080)	(6,250)	2,030
Total comprehensive income for the period	154,010	170,600	306,150	400,480
Profit attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	130,130	129,640	239,020	290,670
Non-controlling interests	38,590	42,040	73,380	107,780
	168,720	171,680	312,400	398,450
Total comprehensive income attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	118,320	128,990	232,290	291,890
Non-controlling interests	35,690	41,610	73,860	108,590
	154,010	170,600	306,150	400,480
Earnings per share (Rs)	1.82	1.81	3.35	4.07
Net assets per share (Rs)	-	-	72.93	61.71

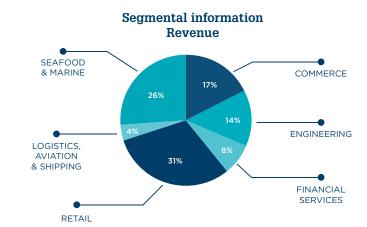
Segmental information	THE GROUP			
	Quarte	r ended	Half year ended	
	31.12.2014	31.12.2013	31.12.2014	31.12.2013
	Rs000	Rs000	Rs000	Rs000
Commerce	921,040	864,580	1,701,570	1,628,990
Engineering	758,860	923,880	1,360,080	1,740,780
Financial Services	349,960	348,970	762,700	788,700
Logistics, Aviation & Shipping	198,820	198,430	367,110	395,340
Retail	1,535,920	1,409,280	3,002,960	2,741,200
Seafood & Marine	984,470	1,291,920	2,509,840	2,972,640
Corporate Services and Others	1,850	1,590	3,660	3,320
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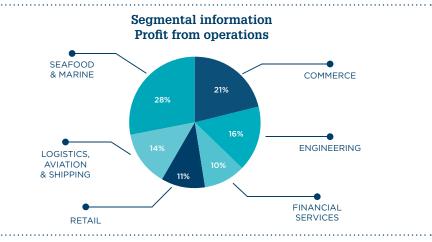
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	Quarte	r ended	Half yea	r ended
	31.12.2014	31.12.2013	31.12.2014	31.12.2013
	Rs000	Rs000	Rs000	Rs000
Commerce	71,370	62,180	120,810	107,890
Engineering	68,260	37,530	90,700	88,580
Financial Services	24,750	30,340	58,690	73,310
Logistics, Aviation & Shipping	46,380	50,680	76,720	82,660
Retail	27,470	19,230	61,410	43,470
Seafood & Marine	70,380	102,840	159,040	267,550
Corporate Services and Others	(35,620)	(18,370)	(54,500)	(40,800)
Profit from operations	272,990	284,430	512,870	622,660

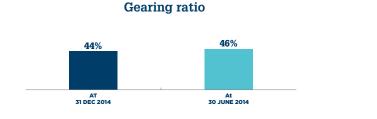
Statement of financial position	THE G	THE GROUP		
(abridged)	As at 31.12.2014	Audited at 30.6.2014		
Assets	Rs000	Rs000		
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	7,885,988	8,075,785		
Investment property	199,762	199,762		
Intangible assets	668,561	655,225		
Investments	1,362,981	1,292,313		
Finance lease receivables	816,359	909,137		
	10,933,651	11,132,222		
Current assets	9,148,900	9,111,279		
Total assets	20,082,551	20,243,501		
Equity and liabilities				
Equity attributable to owners of the parent	5,210,246	5,024,386		
Non-controlling interests	1,949,699	1,875,039		
Total equity	7,159,945	6,899,425		
Non-current liabilities	2,593,597	3,013,768		
Current liabilities	10,329,009	10,330,308		
Total equity and liabilities	20,082,551	20,243,501		

Statement of cash flow	THE GROUP	
(abridged)	Half yea	r ended
(as.iagoa)	31.12.2014	31.12.2013
	Rs000	Rs000
Net cash generated from operating activities	635,600	785,790
Net cash used in investing activities	(225,880)	(496,630)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities	(540,070)	74,880
Net (decrease)/increase in cash & cash equivalents	(130,350)	364,040
Cash & cash equivalents at 1 July	(2,641,277)	(2,688,708)
Net cash & cash equivalents at 31 December	(2,771,627)	(2,324,668)

Statement of changes in equity	THE GROUP			
(abridged)	Owners of the parent Rs000	Non- controlling interests Rs000	Total equity Rs000	
At 1 July 2013	RSUUU	RSUUU	RSOOO	
- As previously reported	4,527,053	1,690,050	6,217,103	
- Application of IAS 19 Employees benefits	(363,768)	-	(363,768)	
- As restated	4,163,285	1,690,050	5,853,335	
Total comprehensive income	291,890	108,590	400,480	
Dividends	(46,430)	-	(46,430)	
At 31 December 2013	4,408,745	1,798,640	6,207,385	
At 1 July 2014	5,024,386	1,875,039	6,899,425	
Capital contribution from non-controlling shareholders	-	800	800	
Total comprehensive income	232,290	73,860	306,150	
Dividends	(46,430)	-	(46,430)	
At 31 December 2014	5,210,246	1,949,699	7,159,945	







The interim condensed financial statements for the half year ended 31 December 2014 are unaudited and have been prepared using the same accounting policies and methods of computation as those adopted in the statutory financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2014.

Reduced profit from the Seafood & Marine Sector has impacted the profit for the Group for the 6 months ended 31 December 2014. Profit before taxation for the period is MUR 352m compared to MUR 435m last year, and attributable earnings for the period is MUR 232m compared to MUR 291m

Other sectors continue to show resilience with Commerce and Retail Sectors showing growth and strong positive momentum. The Group has also reduced its gearing ratio compared to last year.

The Group is observing positive signals and anticipates a rebound in market sentiment and level of activity in the general economy. The impending merger with Princes Tuna (Mauritius) Limited is also expected to create synergies and drive a stronger balance sheet.

By Order of the Board

IBL Corporate Services Ltd Company Secretary

11 February 2015

This communiqué is issued pursuant to Listing Rule 12.20 and Securities Act 2005.

The Board of Directors of Ireland Blyth Limited accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained

Copies of the interim report are available to the public, free of charge, at the Company's registered office, IBL House, Caudan, Port Louis.

The statement of direct and indirect interests of officers of the Company required under rule 8(2)(m) of the Securities (Disclosure Obligations of Reporting Issuers) Rules 2007 is available upon request, free of charge, from the Secretary, at 5th Floor, IBL House, Caudan, Port Louis, Mauritius.