

## **AEON CREDIT SERVICE (M) BERHAD**

(I) Proposed Joint Venture; and (II) Proposed Bonus Issue

**Extraordinary General Meeting** 

Presented By



(Company No. 197501002220 (23742-V)) (A Participating Organization of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad)

16 October 2023

#### PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE AND PROPOSED BONUS ISSUE



Shareholders' approvals are sought for the following:-

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#### **Proposed Joint Venture**

Proposed joint venture between AEON Credit Service (M) Berhad ("AEON Credit" or "Company") and AEON Financial Service Co., Ltd. ("AFS") to undertake the business of a digital Islamic bank.

The Proposed Joint Venture is deemed as a related party transaction in view of the interest of certain major shareholders and directors of AEON Credit.

Public Investment Bank Berhad has been appointed by AEON Credit as the Independent Adviser.

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#### **Proposed Bonus Issue**

Proposed bonus issue of 255,307,690 new ordinary shares in AEON Credit ("AEON Credit Shares") ("Bonus Shares") on the basis of 1 Bonus Share for every 1 AEON Credit Share held by the Entitled Shareholders on an entitlement date to be determined later.

The Proposed Joint Venture and Proposed Bonus Issue are not inter-conditional

#### RATIONALE FOR THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE



1

A timely opportunity for AEON Credit to reach a wider pool of customers through ACS Digital Berhad ("ACSD")

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The Parties shall deploy their combined expertise in providing financial services and solutions to customers, especially from the underserved and unserved market segments

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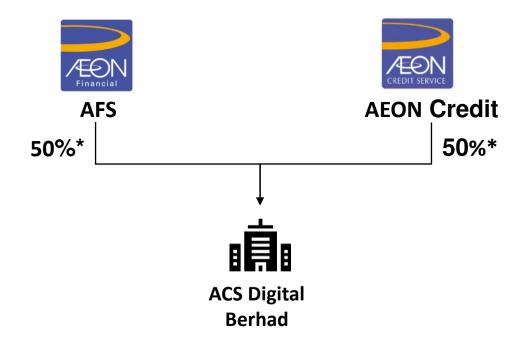
ACSD also intends to leverage on AEON Group's retail network in Malaysia to elevate the banking experience of target segments by offering a broader range of financial services and products

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Enable the Group as a whole including ACSD to have access to lower cost of funds via the deposits from the customers of ACSD

#### THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE





#### **Initial Subscription**

	No. of ACSD Shares	Value of contribution	Remarks
<b>AEON</b>	175m	RM175m	Expected to be subscribed by
Credit			4Q 2023 after obtaining BNM
			and shareholders' approval
AFS	175m	RM175m	Full amount already subscribed by AFS
Total		RM350m	

## Future subscription subsequent to ACSD commencing business

The Parties may subscribe for additional share capital of up to RM200 million in accordance with their respective proportions.

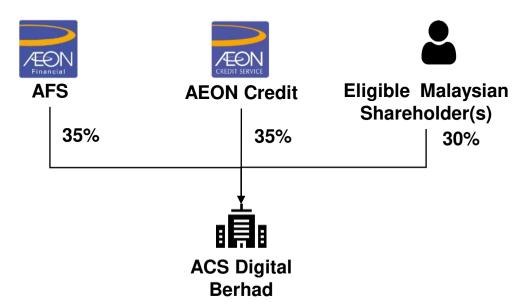
#### THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE (CONT'D)



#### **Equity Condition**

- By 7 April 2029 (i.e. within 5 years from the commencement of business and operation of the digital Islamic bank which is scheduled to take place not later than 8 April 2024), at least 30% of the shares in ACSD to be held by Malaysian shareholder(s), with priority given to Bumiputera shareholders ("Eligible Malaysian Shareholders").
- The Parties intend to source the shareholder(s) from reputable Malaysian institutional shareholder(s) or corporate shareholder(s).

#### **After compliance with the Equity Condition**



#### THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE (CONT'D)





The market launch of ACSD's banking business is expected to take place in the <u>first quarter of 2024</u> (subject to the fulfilment of the conditions stipulated in the approval letter from Bank Negara Malaysia ("BNM") and BNM's satisfaction of the operational readiness review of ACSD to be conducted by BNM).

The current status for the key areas are as follows:-

	Key Areas	Current Status	
1.	Establishment of the board of directors of ACSD for the proposed digital bank*	In progress	
2.	Appointment of key management personnel	Completed	
3.	Staff recruitment and establishment of operational and control functions	In advanced stage of progress	
4.	Technology development and procurement of software and services for banking operations*	In advanced stage of progress	
5.	Operational readiness review*	In progress	

Note: \* subject to BNM approval, where applicable.

#### THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE (CONT'D)



# Additional financial commitment required

1 Undertaking from shareholders of ACSD for capital and liquidity support for operationalization of the business plan.

If Total Capital Ratio falls below the Internal capital Target, shareholders of ACSD to provide capital in an amount acceptable to BNM, proportionate to their shareholdings.

If exit plan events occur during foundational phase or ACSD fails to fulfil the requirements based on BNM's assessment at end foundational phase.

ACSD shall implement the exit plan measures which would include reimbursement of customer deposits, in an orderly and timely manner. ACSD must ensure sufficient capital and liquidity to implement the exit plan and as such ACSD may require additional funds from its shareholders.

#### **EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE**



Items	Proposed Joint Venture	
Issued share capital and substantial shareholdings	<ul><li>No impact</li></ul>	
Earnings and Earnings per Share ("EPS")	<ul> <li>ACSD will be an associated company of AEON Credit. Hence, AEON Credit will share the results of ACSD based on its shareholdings in ACSD</li> <li>Based on FYE 28 February 2023, with the share of losses of ACSD and estimated expenses for the Proposed Joint Venture, the proforma EPS reduced from RM1.60 to RM1.56</li> <li>Anticipated to contribute positively towards the earnings and EPS of AEON Credit in the future over the long term</li> </ul>	
Net Assets ("NA"), NA per share and Gearing	<ul> <li>Save for the estimated expenses, no major effect on the net assets of AEON Credit</li> <li>ACSD will be an associated company and as such any share of its results will have an impact on the future NA and the NA per share of AEON Credit</li> </ul>	

#### RATIONALE FOR THE PROPOSED BONUS ISSUE



1

To reward existing shareholders of AEON Credit for their continued support to the Company

2

Expected to enhance the marketability and trading liquidity of AEON Credit Shares on the Main Market of Bursa Securities

#### THE PROPOSED BONUS ISSUE



The salient terms of the Proposed Bonus Issue are as follows:-

Terms	Description	
<b>Entitlement Basis</b>	ent Basis • 1 Bonus Share for every 1 existing AEON Credit Share	
Capitalisation of Reserves	The Bonus Shares in respect of the Proposed Bonus Issue will be issued as fully paid, at no consideration and without capitalisation of the Company's reserves	
Adjustment to Share Price	<ul> <li>Assuming the basis of 1 Bonus Share for every 1 existing AEON Credit Share, based on the last traded price up to 30 August 2023, being the latest practicable date ("LPD"), the share price will be:         <ul> <li>Pre Bonus: RM11.00</li> <li>Post Bonus: RM5.50</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

#### **EFFECTS OF THE PROPOSED BONUS ISSUE**



Items	Proposed Bonus Issue	
Issued share capital and substantial shareholdings	<ul> <li>Increase number of shares in issue. However, no change in the value of share capital</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>No effect on the percentage shareholdings of the substantial shareholders as the Bonus Shares will be allotted on a pro-rata basis to all shareholders</li> </ul>	
Earnings and EPS	<ul> <li>Corresponding dilution in the Company's EPS as a result of the increase in the number of AEON Credit Shares in issue</li> </ul>	
NA, NA per share and Gearing	<ul> <li>NA per Share will be diluted as a result of the increase in the number of AEON Credit Shares in issue</li> </ul>	

#### **APPROVALS REQUIRED**



#### Approvals required for the Proposed Joint Venture and the Proposed Bonus Issue

#### **Completed**





1 July 2023

#### **OBTAINED**

29 April 2022

Approval of MOF for the grant of a licence to carry on digital Islamic banking business in Malaysia under the IFSA

31 July 2023

#### **OBTAINED**

Approval for the listing of and quotation for the Bonus Shares on Main Market

#### Remaining approvals required





#### **Mid-October 2023**

#### **TO BE OBTAINED**

 Approval for the equity structure of ACSD to be held by AFS and AEON Credit in equal proportions of 50:50 respectively and for AEON Credit to acquire or hold material interest in ACSD

#### 16 October 2023

### TO BE OBTAINED AT THIS EGM

AEON Credit shareholders' approval

Barring unforeseen circumstances and subject to regulatory approvals, the Proposed Bonus Issue is expected to be completed in **November 2023** and the Proposed Joint Venture in **December 2023**.

#### **DIRECTORS' STATEMENT AND RECOMMENDATION**



The Board (save for the Interested Directors) is of the opinion that the Proposed Joint Venture IS IN THE BEST INTEREST of AEON Credit

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Accordingly, the Board (save for the Interested Directors) recommends that you **VOTE IN FAVOUR** of the resolution pertaining to the **Proposed Joint Venture** at this EGM

Accordingly, the Board recommends that you **VOTE IN FAVOUR** of the resolution pertaining to the **Proposed Bonus Issue** at this EGM

This presentation is only a summary of the Proposed Joint Venture and the Proposed Bonus Issue. Shareholders are advised to read and carefully consider the contents of the Circular and the appendices (including the risk factors) contained in the Circular for further details and not to rely solely on this presentation in forming a decision on the Proposed Joint Venture and the Proposed Bonus Issue before voting by way of poll at this EGM. Unless stated otherwise, the defined terms herein will have the same meaning as the Circular.



## AEON CREDIT SERVICE (M) BERHAD

## INDEPENDENT ADVICE IN RELATION TO THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE

Presentation to the Non-Interested Shareholders of AEON Credit Service (M) Berhad

16 October 2023

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE



## PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE

- Entails a joint venture between AEON Credit Service (M) Berhad ("AEON Credit") and AEON Financial Service Co., Ltd. ("AFS") (collectively, "Parties" or individually "Party") to engage in digital Islamic banking business pursuant to the digital Islamic banking licence granted by the Minister of Finance, Malaysia ("MOF").
- Pursuant to the shareholders' agreement between the Parties ("Shareholders' Agreement"), ACS Digital Berhad ("ACSD") was incorporated as the joint venture company to undertake the digital Islamic banking business.

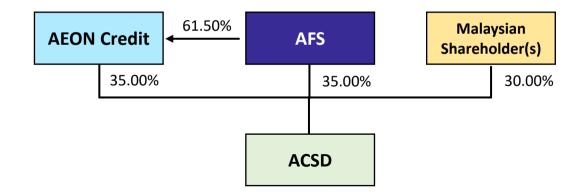
#### Before compliance with the equity condition\*

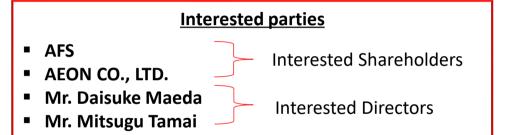
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#### Note:

\* Refers to condition imposed by MOF that at least 30% of the shares in ACSD are to be held by Malaysian(s), with priority given to Bumiputra Shareholders to be complied within a period of 5 years from the commence of business and operation of the digital Islamic bank (which is scheduled to take place not later than 8 April 2024).

#### After compliance with the equity condition\*







#### **EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE**



#### Rationale and benefits of the Proposed Joint Venture

**Expansion of the Group's** scope of offerings



- **Expand the scope of offerings** by including digital Islamic banking services.
- Further **enhance the Group's earnings** from the consumer financing business.
- Allow the Group to enter the digital banking services industry at the early stage and <u>establish</u> <u>market presence</u>.

Expansion of the Group's customer base



- Able to provide financial services and solutions with new business models to <u>reach a wider pool</u> <u>of customers</u>, especially the underserved and unserved market segment.
- Enable the Group to <u>package its products and services to be more comprehensive</u> to serve its existing and potential customers' requirements and needs.

Complementary to the Group's existing business operations



- Complement the Group's existing business operations.
- Able to <u>gain exposure</u> and market the Group's existing financial products to the future network to be established by ACSD.
- Allow the Group to have <u>access to lower cost of funds</u> through customers' deposits in ACSD.

We are of the opinion that the rationale for and benefits of the Proposed Joint Venture is reasonable and not detrimental to the interests of the non-interested shareholders of AEON Credit.

#### **EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE (Cont'd)**



Basis and justification of the subscription price

**Basis and justification** 

## Subscription price RM175.00 million

- Proposed share capital of ACSD shall be <u>RM350.00 million</u> based on the initial funding required and <u>comply</u> <u>with the share capital requirements</u> of the Licensing Framework for Digital Banks.
- Subscription price of <u>RM175.00</u> <u>million</u> is based on a <u>pro rata basis</u> in accordance with the respective shareholdings of the Parties.

## Total investment outlay RM275.00 million

- Eventual share capital of ACSD is estimated to be <u>up to RM550.00</u> <u>million</u>.
- Maximum outlay by AEON Credit is estimated to be <u>RM275.00 million</u> based on a <u>pro rata basis</u>.
- Ensure that ACSD has a <u>reasonable</u> <u>level of share capital</u> and <u>sufficient</u> <u>funds</u> for its future operations.

#### Additional capital requirement

- Any additional capital which may be required by the digital Islamic bank will be provided by the Parties proportionate to their respective direct equity interest held in ACSD.
- Any issuance of ACSD shares will be on a <u>pro rata basis</u>, taking into consideration the <u>respective</u> <u>shareholders' shareholding</u> in ACSD.

We are of the opinion that the subscription price is fair and reasonable and not detrimental to the interests of the non-interested shareholders of AEON Credit as it is made on a pro rata basis in accordance with the respective shareholdings of the Parties.

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#### **EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE (Cont'd)**



#### Other considerations

Salient terms of the Shareholders' Agreement



■ The terms contained in the Shareholders' Agreement are <u>reasonable</u> and are common aspects of any transactions/arrangements and are <u>not detrimental</u> to the interests of the non-interested shareholders.

**Risk factors** 



- The risk factors identified in relation to the Proposed Joint Venture include <u>diversion of financial</u> <u>resources</u>, <u>completion and commencement risk</u>, <u>dependency on technology</u>, <u>dependency on external technology and outsourced function service providers</u> and <u>economic and regulatory risk</u> in relation to the digital banking industry.
- Although measures may be taken by the Group to limit / mitigate the risks, no assurance can be given that one or a combination of the risks will not crystalise and give rise to <u>material and</u> adverse impact on the financial position and business of the Group.

Industry overview and prospects of ACSD

(Wholly-owned Subsidiary Of Public Bank Berhad)



We are of the opinion that the prospects of ACSD are expected to be <u>favourable</u> in view of the <u>positive outlook</u> of the Malaysian economy and the digital banking industry, coupled with the <u>strengths and capabilities of ACSD shareholders</u> namely, AEON Credit and AFS.

#### **EVALUATION OF THE PROPOSED JOINT VENTURE (Cont'd)**



#### **Financial effects**

The pro forma effects of the Proposed Joint Venture based on the audited consolidated financial statements as at 28 February 2023 are as follows:

Issued share capital and substantial shareholders' shareholdings



No effect as it does not involve any issuance of new shares in AEON Credit.



Net assets ("NA") per share



The pro forma NA per share of AEON Credit will <u>decrease</u> from RM9.11 to RM9.10 per AEON Credit share due to decrease in retained earnings as a result of the estimated expenses for the Proposed Joint Venture.



Gearing



No effect as it does not involve utilisation of bank borrowings.



**Earnings per share ("EPS")** 



The pro forma EPS of AEON Credit is expected to <u>decrease</u> from 159.62 sen to 156.20 sen due to the operating losses of ACSD arising from preoperating expenses of the digital Islamic Banking business.



We are of the opinion that the pro forma effects of the Proposed Joint Venture are not detrimental to the interests of the non-interested shareholders of AEON Credit as the Proposed Joint Venture is expected to contribute positively to the future earnings of the Group after the launch of the digital banking business.

#### **CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION**



After taking into consideration our evaluation of the following:

- Rationale and benefits
- Basis and justification of the subscription price
- Salient terms of the Shareholders' Agreement
- Risk factors
- Industry overview and prospects of ACSD
- Financial effects



<u>Fair</u> and <u>reasonable</u> and <u>not detrimental</u> to the interests of the non-interested shareholders of AEON Credit



Vote in FAVOUR

## **THANK YOU**





## ÆON CREDIT SERVICE

#### **EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

**16 OCTOBER 2023** 

Presentation to Shareholders by Chief Financial Officer



#### **BUSINESS OVERVIEW**

More than 5.4 million members; Receiving 2 mil+ applications yearly

#### **Easy Payment**

Vehicle Financing Personal Financing

**Objective Financing** 

**Settlement** 

Credit Card, AMP & AEON Wallet

**Insurance Broker** 

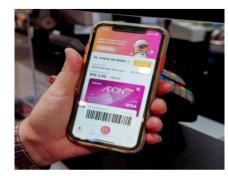
AEON Insurance
Brokers











- 212k Credit
  Card members
  - 2.5 mil AMP
    Card members
  - 2.0 mil
    AEON Wallet
    sign ups







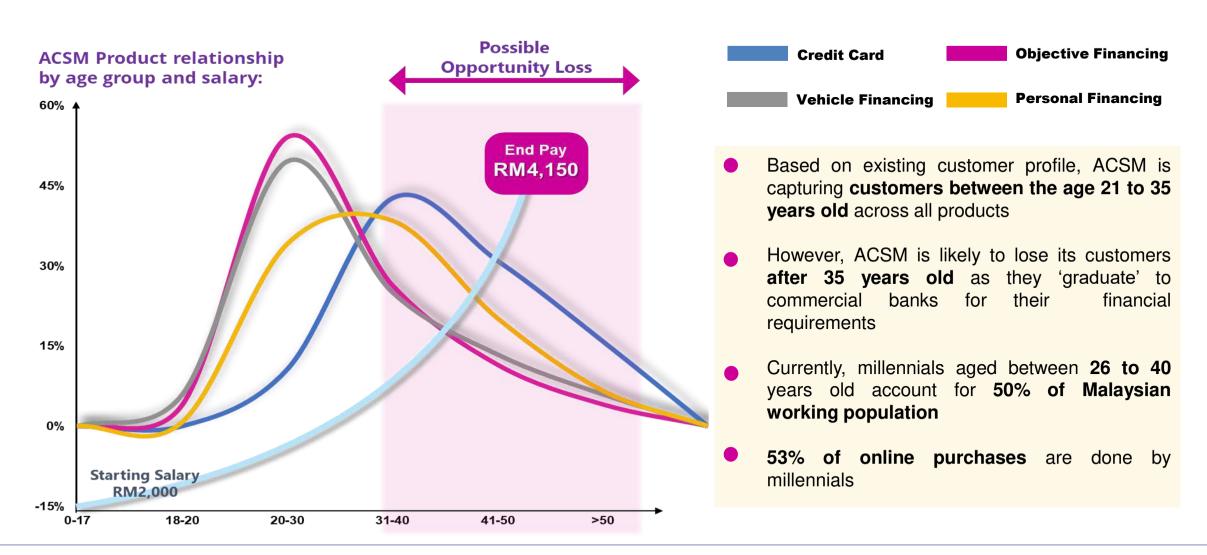
2.7 mil Express members





#### **CUSTOMER JOURNEY**

Improve customer stickiness by serving more comprehensive products/ services via Digital Bank







#### JOINT VENTURE OPPORTUNITIES

**AEON Credit X Digital Bank** 

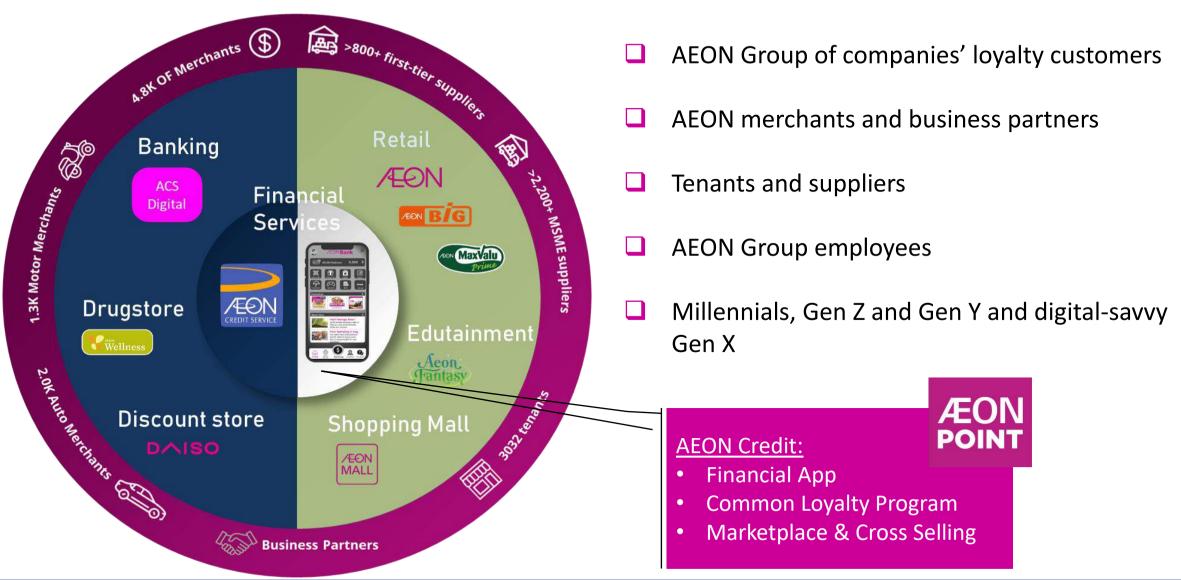
- 1. Activating AEON Living Zone
- 2. Expanding Customer Lifetime Value (CLTV)
- 3. Enhancing Resources & Technology
- 4. Increasing Competitive Edge





#### **ACTIVATING AEON LIVING ZONE**

Membership expansion via cross selling within the AEON Ecosystem







## **EXPANDING CUSTOMER LIFETIME VALUE (CLTV)**

Comprehensive financial solutions to our customers and business partners

- Hire Purchase
- Personal Loans
- Objective Financing
- Credit Cards
- AMP



#### **Financial App**



- CASA
- Micro Loans & MSME Loans
- DuitNow
- Debit Cards
- Micro
   Investment

ACS Digital

- Personalization and Customer Engagement
- Quality Customer Experience
- Cross-Selling and Upselling
- Data Analytics and Predictive Modelling
- Financial Education and Advice







#### **ENHANCING RESOURCES & TECHNOLOGY**

Deployment of combined expertise and new technology

- Talent Diversity
- Embracing New Technology
- Cybersecurity and Cyber Resilience
- Partnership and Alliances
- Increase Revenue Stream





#### **INCREASING COMPETITIVE EDGE**

Digital transformation to elevate customer experience

- Enhancing Customer Experience
- Innovative Products and Services
- Cost Efficiency
- Data-Driven Insights
- One-Stop Center







#### PROPOSED BONUS ISSUE

1 Bonus Share for every 1 existing AEON Credit Share

# Proposed Bonus Issue 1 Proposed Bonus AEON Credit Shares Share (Upon Completion)



#### **Effect of the Proposed Bonus Issue**

	Number of Shares	RM
Issued share capital	255,307,690	584,011,570
Proposed Bonus Issue	255,307,690	-
After the Proposed Bonus Issue	510,615,380	584,011,570

#### Rationale

- ❖ To improve the marketability and trading liquidity of the Company's shares
- To reward our shareholders for their loyalty and continuous support

#### **Target Completion**

❖ November 2023







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# Thank You