

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

GROUP CONSOLIDATED REVENUE	EBITDA ¹	GROUP PROFIT AFTER TAX	PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT	GROUP NAV PER SHARE
MUR 17.9 bn	MUR 2.7 bn	MUR 446 M	MUR 617 M	MUR 8.85
MUR 21.0 bn - 30 June 2020 ²	MUR 3.0 bn - 30 June 2020 ²	(MUR 2.2 bn) - 30 June 2020 ²	(MUR 1.7 bn) - 30 June 2020 ²	MUR 6.69 - 30 June 2020 ²

¹Earnings Before Interest, Taxation, Depreciation, Amortisation, Impairment, Reorganisation costs and Fair Value gain on investment property.
²30 June 2020 numbers are restated

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	THE GROUP	
	30-Jun-21	Restated 30-Jun-20
Revenue	MUR '000	MUR '000
	17,868,627	20,955,620
EBITDA*	2,697,440	3,052,694
	(1,300,835)	(1,341,233)
Depreciation and amortisation:	1,396,605	1,711,461
Earnings Before Interest and Taxation (EBIT)	(575,846)	(1,378,395)
Impairment and reorganisation costs**	959,638	160,297
Fair value gain on investment properties	(1,274,895)	(1,439,246)
Net finance costs	-	(108,744)
Impairment of associates	267,304	(51,534)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures net of tax	772,806	(1,106,161)
Profit/(Loss) before tax	(79,548)	(189,073)
Taxation	693,258	(1,295,234)
Profit/(Loss) from continuing operation	(247,381)	(882,910)
Loss from discontinued operation	445,877	(2,178,144)
Profit/(Loss) for the period	617,391	(1,679,713)
Profit/(Loss) attributable to:	(171,514)	(498,431)
Owners of the parent	445,877	(2,178,144)
Non-controlling interests	0.37	(1.00)
Basic and diluted earnings per share	MUR '000	MUR '000
Weighted average no. of ord shares for EPS Calculation	1,686,967	1,682,664
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	MUR '000	MUR '000
Profit/(Loss) after tax	445,877	(2,178,144)
Other comprehensive income for the year	1,275,438	883,025
Total comprehensive income for the year	1,721,315	(1,295,119)
Attributable to:	1,401,210	(1,082,604)
Owners of the parent	320,105	(212,515)
Non-controlling interests	1,721,315	(1,295,119)

* Earnings Before Interest, Taxation, Depreciation, Amortisation, Impairment, Reorganisation costs and Fair Value gain on investment property.
** Includes impairment of financial (IFRS 9) and non-financial (stocks, property, plant and equipment) assets together with reorganisation costs at cluster level in response to Covid-19.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

THE GROUP	Owners' Interest Total	Non-Controlling Interests	Total Equity
	MUR '000	MUR '000	MUR '000
Balance at 1 July 2020	11,282,955	7,330,803	18,613,758
Total comprehensive income for the period	1,401,210	320,105	1,721,315
Dividends	-	(446,888)	(446,888)
Transaction with owners of the company	2,264,792	-	2,264,792
Other movements	(17,548)	49,707	32,159
Balance at 30 June 2021	14,931,409	7,253,727	22,185,136
Balance at 1 July 2019	12,935,181	9,195,956	22,131,137
- As previously reported	46,442	46,255	92,697
- Effect of prior year adjustments	(510,507)	(446,237)	(956,744)
- Effect of adoption of IFRS 16	12,471,116	8,795,974	21,267,090
- As restated	(1,082,603)	(212,516)	(1,295,119)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(134,307)	(458,694)	(593,001)
Dividends	28,749	(793,961)	(765,212)
Other movements			
Balance at 30 June 2020	11,282,955	7,330,803	18,613,758

Group Results

The decisive actions taken by CIEL in response to the global pandemic in early 2020 have enabled the Group to emerge stronger and leaner out of the crisis. Group revenue of MUR 17.9 bn and EBITDA of MUR 2.7 bn resulted in an EBITDA margin of 15.1% for the financial year ended 30 June 2021 (2020: 14.6%), despite revenue that has not yet fully recovered to pre-pandemic levels. CIEL's profit after tax for the year stood at MUR 446M compared to MUR 2,178M losses in the prior period.

On the operational front, the diversified portfolio has delivered improved margins in all investment sectors ("clusters"), except for Hotels & Resorts which continues to be severely affected by the net effect of lockdowns in Mauritius and international travel restrictions. The Textile and Healthcare clusters have demonstrated remarkable agility in capturing new growth opportunities brought about by the evolution of demand in their respective end markets, in Mauritius (Healthcare) and abroad (Textile/Healthcare). The Finance cluster continued its resilient performance despite a difficult operating environment. Management took the decision to split the Agro & Property cluster into two distinct operating and reporting segments. This will allow the teams to prioritise their focus and better optimise each business' contribution to CIEL Group's profit. The Property cluster results include the non-cash revaluation of land of MUR 945M for the sustainable development project at Ferney. The revaluation which led to the change in the use of the land from agricultural to bare developable land was conducted after the Group received a letter of intent from the Economic Development Board of Mauritius.

The global crisis did not stop the Group from looking to the future and continuing to work on the quality and resilience of its portfolio: it divested certain non-core assets such as the Kanuhura resort in the Maldives and the healthcare insurance business in Uganda.

Full Year ended 30 June 2021 – financial performance shows marked improvement

Revenue totalled MUR 17.9 bn: a significant rebound in Q4 helped alleviate the year-on-year decline of 15%. Growth in the Healthcare (+26%) and Finance (+9%) clusters further assisted in mitigating the impact of the pandemic from the Hotels & Resorts business (-89%).

Earnings before Interest, Taxation, Depreciation, Amortisation, Impairment, Reorganisation costs and Fair Value gain on investment property (EBITDA) stood at MUR 2,697M, down 12%. This demonstrates the effectiveness of the numerous cost-saving initiatives deployed throughout the Group. The EBITDA margin increased slightly compared to the prior year, with a much improved fourth quarter compared with the low base of comparison for the fourth quarter in 2020.

Profit after taxation of MUR 446M, was a marked improvement on the loss after taxation of MUR 2,178M in 2020.

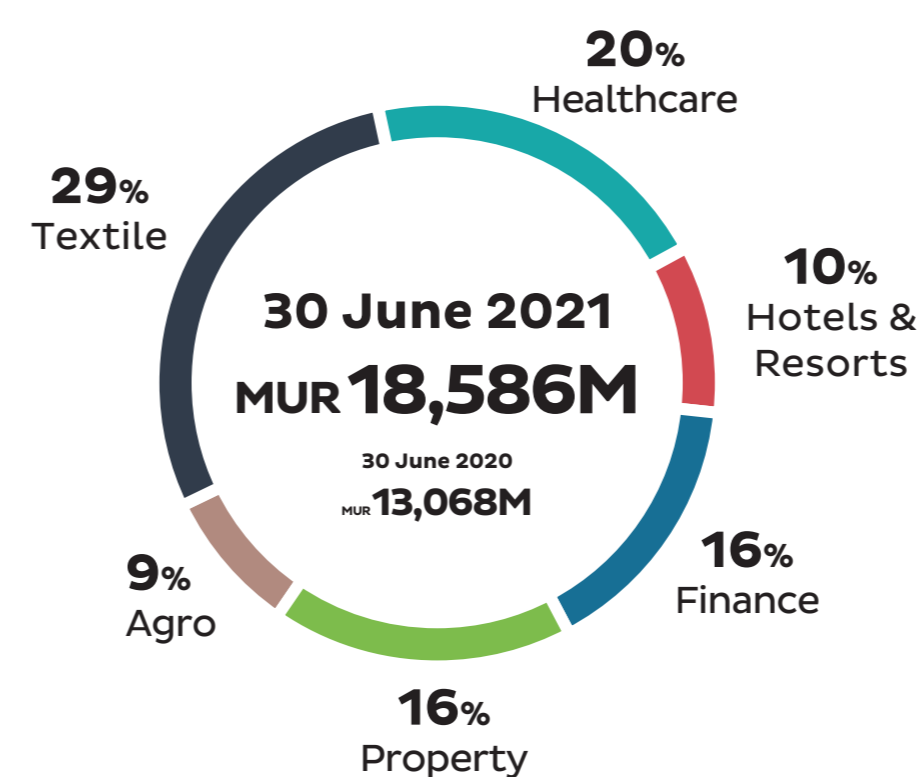
Profit attributable to owners increased and stood at MUR 617M (2020: Loss attributable to owners of MUR 1,680M).

Free cash flow reduced by 26% to MUR 986M from MUR 1,325M on the prior period, due mainly to the continued absence of cash generation in the Hotels & Resorts cluster, and the increased working capital needs in the Textile cluster following its rebound. However, free cash flow improved in the Finance cluster and posted a significant increase in the Healthcare cluster.

Net interest-bearing debt, half of which comes from the Hotels & Resorts cluster and is not guaranteed by the Group, was reduced to MUR 14.2 bn from MUR 17.1 bn in 2020 with a gearing ratio standing at 39% (June 2020: 48%). Funding from the Mauritius Investment Corporation (MIC) for Sun Limited in the form of a quasi-equity instrument largely accounted for this reduction in the Group's indebtedness. As at 30 June 2021, a disbursement of MUR 2.3 bn from the MIC from a total approved funding line of MUR 3.1 bn has been received.

A detailed review is available on the Company's website at : www.cielgroup.com/financial-publications

A DIVERSIFIED AND WELL-BALANCED INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO



Company Net Asset Value per share rose by 55% to MUR 9.28 as at 30 June 2021 from MUR 6.00 as at 30 June 2020, reflecting the positive impact on the total portfolio value of the appreciation of the share prices of our listed entities and increase in the valuation of our unquoted investments.

FULL YEAR SEGMENTAL INFORMATION

In MUR 'M	FULL YEAR	TEXTILE	FINANCE	HEALTHCARE	PROPERTY	HOTELS & RESORTS	AGRO	CIEL - Holding Company* (a)	TOTAL
Revenue	Jun 2021	10,444	3,782	2,995	103	528	-	17	17,869
	Restated Jun 2020	10,390	3,462	2,377	113	4,635	(21)	-	20,956
EBITDA	Jun 2021	1,321	1,349	584	2	(554)	-	(5)	2,697
	Restated Jun 2020	548	1,289	338	30	923	-	(75)	3,053
Profit/(Loss) After Tax	Jun 2021	627	608	296	913	(2,145) (b)	244	(97)	446
	Restated Jun 2020	(656)	501	(96)	154	(1,849)	(23)	(209)	(2,178)
Free Cash Flow (c)	Jun 2021	891	825	388	(33)	(828)	-	(257)	986
	Restated Jun 2020	1,047	660	42	(25)	729	-	(1,128)	1,325

* Net of Group eliminations
a) Includes CIEL Limited's figures as well as wholly owned subsidiaries - CIEL Corporate Services & Azur Financial Services (Head Office & Treasury services of CIEL Group), Procontact Ltd (44.43%), and EM Insurance Brokers Limited (57%)
b) Includes share of results Anahita Golf & Spa Resorts (50%)
c) Cash flow from operations net of working capital movements after recurrent capital expenditure (excluding specific banking working capital movements)

Cluster Review

In 2021, the Group made progress on its journey of adapting its operating model to the global pace of change, as uncertainty endured. In parallel, it continued to revisit and reshape its asset allocation strategy and de-risk the profile of its portfolio.

• CIEL Textile

Continued and robust momentum in the Textile cluster with an outstanding performance from the Knits and Knitwear segments led to a 2.4 times increase in the cluster's EBITDA versus the prior period, further supported by favourable exchange rates despite higher raw material prices, logistics and restructuring costs. All lines of business are currently seeing an increase in demand, coming back from pre-COVID levels, following the reopening of our main markets, namely the UK, EU and USA, the renewed competitiveness of our operations and the ongoing supply chain shift away from China. The risk of new lockdowns in countries where the Textile cluster operates, particularly in India and Madagascar, continues to be on the agenda if local vaccination rates remain low. In August 2021, CIEL Textile, through its subsidiary Aquarelle, entered a strategic partnership with the SOCOTA Group (COTONA) in Madagascar for the creation of the largest woven fabric mill in the Indian Ocean region which should ensure the sustainability and competitiveness of our woven operations in the region.

• CIEL Finance

The Finance cluster continued to show resilience with a 5% increase in EBITDA on the prior period, a good performance given the high pandemic related risk provisions under the IFRS 9 model. However specific write-offs on the loan book for our two banks have cumulatively been reduced by 65% over the prior year. The strength of the banking operations in Madagascar is reflected in the revenue increase over the last twelve months leading to excellent fourth quarter profits. The banking businesses maintained strong capital and liquidity positions, giving management the opportunity to invest in growth and digital transformation projects despite challenging macroeconomic conditions.

• CIEL Healthcare

The utmost importance of healthcare and its effect on populations across the globe has been greatly highlighted over the last 18 months since the outbreak of the pandemic. In Mauritius, the Healthcare cluster demonstrated a strong performance on the back of increased activities at C-Care owing to the addition of more beds, and lab collection centres. Revenue picked up better than expected after the initial lockdown in March 2020. International Medical Group, the Ugandan operations, were optimised with the transfer of the insurance book in May 2021. EBITDA increased by 73%, largely due to growing demand for our healthcare services and increased bed capacity. The cluster continues to invest in new clinics and targeted projects and has a deliberate focus on further improving patient experience, expertise, and supply chain management.

• CIEL Properties

Non-core Group properties will be consolidated into a property portfolio with assets under management of MUR 4.2 bn. The strategy includes converting non-core industrial properties into yielding assets as part of the new property company which will operate as a stand-alone subsidiary by June 2022 and be managed by a dedicated asset management team. The conversion of Ferney into an integrated sustainable development under a smart city scheme, a medium to long term project, will start from next calendar year. In addition, the potential use of non-developed land owned by the Group will be assessed over the coming year and could include property development. Profitability of the cluster was positively impacted by the revaluation of Ferney land.

• CIEL Hotels & Resorts

Operations continued to be impacted by the pandemic with border closures in Mauritius and subsequent low rates of travel tourism. Consequently, EBITDA was substantially reduced from prior year due to 2021 taking the full impact of the pandemic, which resulted in the destination being closed to foreign visitors for the entire financial year under review. The Hotels & Resorts cluster managed to significantly lower its cost base, bringing its fourth quarter EBITDA into positive territory for the first time since March 2020. The restructuring of operations, the divestment of Kanuhura and financial support from the MIC, have restored cash flows and facilitated the alleviation of the debt burden. Other government support measures such as the Wage Assistance Scheme and Bank of Mauritius lines of credit, and the moratorium period on existing debt repayments with banks, were successfully negotiated. The necessary funding was therefore secured to meet short to medium term commitments. As borders reopen, trading revenues are still uncertain as sanitary protocols prevail, but management is however encouraged by the recent increase in the reservation trend.

• CIEL Agro

Significant improvement in the Agro cluster (reflecting the 20.96% stake in Alteo) over the financial year with CIEL's share of profit attributable increasing to MUR 244M (2020: loss of MUR 23M). Sugar businesses in Mauritius, Tanzania and Kenya showed marked improvement on the prior period, mainly due to the strengthening of sugar operations on the back of higher production in Kenya and better sugar prices in Mauritius and Tanzania.

Outlook

On 29th September, the CIEL Board on consideration of the Group's marked improvement in its financial performance and its strong capital position, declared an interim dividend of 5 cents per share relating to the financial year ended 30 June 2021. This dividend will be exceptionally paid this year on or around 29th October 2021. Going forward CIEL will be declaring its annual dividend around the end of June.

CIEL is encouraged by the strength of its portfolio and the ongoing turnaround in most of its underlying businesses. The teams continue to optimise business operations, capital allocation and digitalisation journeys to enhance the long-term value of the Group. With its long-standing diversification and presence in the region and in South East Asia, CIEL is well positioned to benefit from the recovery in global markets, while generating net positive foreign currency income.

By order of the Board

CIEL Corporate Services Ltd

Secretaries

29 September 2021

BRN: C06000717

Communication:

communication@cielgroup.com

For more information:

investorrelations@cielgroup.com

The accompanying consolidated condensed financial statements, without reference to the detailed notes, are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of CIEL Limited (the "Company") for the year ended 30 June 2021. These audited financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, are issued pursuant to the listing rule 12.14 and the Securities Act 2005. The Board of Directors of CIEL Limited accepts full responsibility for the accuracy of the information contained in this report. Copies of the audited financial statements are available, free of charge, upon request from the Company Secretary, 5th floor, Ebene Skies, rue de l'Institut, Ebene. The statement of direct and indirect interests of insiders, pursuant to Rule 8(2)(m) of the Securities (Disclosure Obligations of Reporting Issuers) Rules 2007, is available free of charge, upon request from the Company Secretary, 5th floor, Ebene Skies, rue de l'Institut, Ebene.

A STRONG PRESENCE ACROSS EMERGING MARKETS WHERE WE GENERATE OUR REVENUE

