Sundaram Asset Management Singapore Pte. Ltd.
Registration Number: 201111900M

Annual Report
Year ended 31 March 2020

The symbol "$", wherever appearing, denotes Singapore Dollars unless otherwise specified

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Directors Report

Directors' statement

We are pleased to submit this annual report to the member of the Company together with the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 March 2020.

In our opinion:

(a) the financial statements set out on pages FS1 to FS30 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 March 2020 and the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company for the year ended on that date in accordance with the provisions of the Singapore Companies Act, Chapter 50 and Singapore Financial Reporting Standards; and

(b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Company will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

The Board of Directors has, on the date of this statement, authorised these financial statements for issue.

Directors

The directors in office at the date of this statement are as follows:

Sunil Subramaniam

Vijayendiran Ranganatha Rao

Anish Mathew

Directors' interests

According to the register kept by the Company for the purposes of Section 164 of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 (the Act), particulars of interests of director who held office at the end of the financial year (including those held by their spouses and infant children) in shares, debentures, warrants or share options in the Company and in related corporations (other than wholly-owned subsidiaries) are as follows:

Name of director and corporation in which interests are held	Holdings at beginning of the year	Holdings at end of the year
Ordinary shares		
Sunil Subramaniam		
Sunil Subramaniam		
Sundaram Finance Ltd		
- interests held	2,750	3,500
Sundaram Finance Holdings Ltd		
- interests held	2,750	2,750

Name of director and corporation in which interests are held	Holdings at beginning of the year	Holdings at end of the year
Ordinary shares		
Vijayendiran Ranganatha Rao		
Sundaram Finance Ltd		
- interests held	1,400	1,400
Sundaram Finance Holdings Ltd		
- interests held	1,400	1,400
Options to subscribe to ordinary shares		
Sunil Subramaniam		
Sundaram Finance Ltd		
- INR 10 per share	750	600

Except as disclosed in this statement, no director who held office at the end of the financial year had interests in shares, debentures, warrants or share options of the Company, or of related corporations, either at the beginning of the year or at the end of the financial year.

Neither at the end of, nor at any time during the financial year, was the Company a party to any arrangement whose objects are, or one of whose objects is, to enable the directors of the Company to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in or debentures of the Company or any other body corporate.

Share options

During the financial year, there were:

(i) no options granted by the Company to any person to take up unissued shares in the Company; and

(ii) no shares issued by virtue of any exercise of option to take up unissued shares of the Company.

As at the end of the financial year, there were no unissued shares of the Company under options.

Auditors

The auditors, KPMG LLP, have indicated their willingness to accept re-appointment as auditors.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

Anish Mathew	**Vijayendiran Ranganatha Rao**
Chief Executive Officer	Director

14 May 2020

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Independent auditors' report

Member of the Company
Sundaram Asset Management Singapore Pte. Ltd.

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Sundaram Asset Management Singapore Pte. Ltd. ('the Company'), which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2020, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, as set out on pages FS1 to FS30.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements are properly drawn up in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, Chapter 50 ('the Act') and Financial Reporting Standards in Singapore ('FRSs') so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 March 2020 and of the financial performance, changes in equity and cash flows of the Company for the year ended on that date.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Singapore Standards on Auditing ('SSAs'). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority Code of Professional Conduct and Ethics for Public Accountants and Accounting Entities ('ACRA Code') together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Singapore, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ACRA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other information

Management is responsible for the other information contained in the annual report. Other information is defined as all information in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon.

We have obtained all other information prior to the date of this auditors' report.

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of management and directors for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the provisions of the Act and FRSs, and for devising and maintaining a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide a reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorised use or disposition; and transactions are properly authorised and that they are recorded as necessary to permit the preparation of true and fair financial statements and to maintain accountability of assets.

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

The directors' responsibilities include overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- Obtain an understanding of internal controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

In our opinion, the accounting and other records required by the Act to be kept by the Company have been properly kept in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

KPMG LLP
Public Accountants and
Chartered Accountants

Singapore
14 May 2020

Statement of financial position

As at 31 March 2020

	Note	2020 $	2019 $
Non-current assets			
Plant and equipment	4	8,456	18,849
Contract costs	5	1,405,074	1,285,925
Trade and other receivables	6	17,261	17,171
		1,430,791	1,321,945
Current assets			
Right-of-use asset	17	65,242	–
Trade and other receivables	6	687,764	346,128
Cash and cash equivalents	7	2,280,206	1,993,373
		3,033,212	2,339,501
Total assets		4,464,003	3,661,446
Equity			
Share capital	8	5,855,001	5,855,001
Accumulated losses		(2,540,514)	(2,970,007)
Total equity		3,314,487	2,884,994
Non-current liabilities			
Redeemable preference shares	9	260,000	260,000
Current liabilities			
Dividend payable on redeemable preference shares	9	–	260
Other payables	10	817,450	516,192
Provision	11	12,000	–
Lease liability	17	60,066	–
		889,516	516,452
Total liabilities		1,149,516	776,45
Total equity and liabilities		4,464,003	3,661,446

Statement of comprehensive income

Year ended 31 March 2019

	Note	2020 $	2019 $
Revenue	12	3,912,756	3,547,703
Other income		75,915	352,024
		3,988,671	3,899,727
Staff costs		(1,067,347)	(929,646)
Depreciation expense	4	(16,382)	(17,060)
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	17	(71,173)	–
Operating lease expense		–	(66,042)
Investor introduction expenses	13	(737,535)	(1,088,738)
Other distribution expenses		(866,558)	(596,697)
Other operating expenses		(446,931)	(299,680)
Finance cost	9, 17	(1,952)	(260)
Profit before tax		780,793	901,604
Tax expense	15	–	–
Profit for the year	14	780,793	901,604
Other comprehensive income for the year		–	–
Total comprehensive income for the year		780,793	901,604

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of changes in equity

Year ended 31 March 2020

	Share Capital $	Accumulated Losses $	Total $
At 1 April 2018	5,855,001	(3,666,686)	2,188,315
Profit for the year	–	901,604	901,604
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	901,604	901,604
Transactions with owner, recognised directly in equity			
Distributions to owner			
Dividend paid	–	(204,925)	(204,925)
Total transactions with owners	–	(204,925)	(204,925)
At 31 March 2019	5,855,001	(2,970,007)	2,884,994
At 1 April 2019	5,855,001	(2,970,007)	2,884,994
Profit for the year	–	780,793	780,793
Total comprehensive income for the year	–	780,793	780,793
Transactions with owner, recognised directly in equity			
Distributions to owner			
Dividend paid	–	(351,300)	(351,300)
Total transactions with owners	–	(351,300)	(351,300)
At 31 March 2020	5,855,001	(2,540,514)	3,314,487

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

Statement of cash flows

Year ended 31 March 2020

	Note	2020 $	2019 $
Cash flows from operating activities			
Profit for the year		780,793	901,604
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	4	16,382	17,060
Depreciation of right-of-use asset	17	71,173	–
Amortisation	5	738,948	809,464
Impairment loss on other receivables	6	18,910	–
Unrealised foreign exchange loss		58,487	18,157
Interest expense on lease liabilities	17	1,692	–
Interest income		(15,691)	(5,291)
		1,670,694	1,740,994
Changes in working capital:			
Trade and other receivables	6	(361,034)	38,329
Contract costs	5	(858,097)	(732,592)
Dividend payable on preference shares	9	–	260
Other payables	10	286,535	(358,025)
Net cash generated from operating activities		738,098	688,966
Cash flows from investing activities			
Interest received		15,691	5,291
Purchase of plant and equipment	4	(5,989)	(698)
Net cash generated from investing activities		9,702	4,593
Cash flow from financing activities			
Dividends paid		(351,300)	(204,925)
Redeemable preference shares dividends paid		(260)	–
Payment of lease liabilities	17	(66,041)	–
Proceeds from issue of redeemable preference shares	9	–	260,000
Net cash generated (used in)/from financing activities		(417,601)	55,075
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		330,199	748,634
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		1,743,373	1,012,896
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held		(43,366)	(18,157)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	7	2,030,206	1,743,373

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

These notes form an integral part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 14 May 2020.

1 Domicile and activities

Sundaram Asset Management Singapore Pte. Ltd. (the "Company") is a company incorporated in Singapore. The address of the Company's registered office is 50 Armenian Street, #02-02 Wilmer Place, Singapore 179938.

The immediate and ultimate holding companies are Sundaram Asset Management Company Limited and Sundaram Finance Limited respectively, both of which incorporated in the Republic of India.

The principal activities of the Company are those relating to the provision of fund management and related services, for which the Company holds a Capital Markets Services Licence granted by the Monetary Authority of Singapore ("MAS").

The Company continues to manage its funds, Sundaram India Midcap Fund and Sundaram Global Brand Fund ("Sundaram India Funds"). Both funds are USD denominated, daily dealing funds domiciled in Singapore.

The investment objective of Sundaram India Midcap Fund and Sundaram Global Brand Fund are to invest in India listed midcap equity stocks and invest in the equities of 30 global brands across the world respectively.

During the year, the Company entered into an Investment Management Agreement with a sovereign wealth fund to manage its Indian equity portfolio.

The Company is also the company advisor to Sundaram Alternative Opportunities Fund Mauritius Limited, a close-ended fund which invest in Sundaram Alternative Opportunities Series – High Yield Secured Debt Fund, and Sundaram Alternative Opportunities Fund II Mauritius Limited, a close-ended fund which invest in Sundaram Alternative Opportunities Series – High Yield Secured Debt Fund – II.

2 Basis of preparation

2.1 *Statement of compliance*

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Singapore Financial Reporting Standards (FRS).

This is the first set of the Company's annual financial statements in which FRS 116 *Leases* has been applied. The related changes to significant accounting policies are described in note 2.5.

2.2 *Basis of measurement*

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except as otherwise described in the notes below.

2.3 *Functional and presentation currency*

The financial statements are presented in Singapore dollars, which is the Company's functional currency.

2.4 *Use of estimates and judgements*

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with FRSs requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

2.5 *Changes in accounting policies*

New standards and amendments

The Company has applied FRS 116 *Leases* for the first time for the annual period beginning on 1 April 2019.

FRS 116 *Leases*

The Company applied FRS 116 using the modified retrospective approach, under which the cumulative effect of initial application is recognised in retained earnings at 1 April 2019. Accordingly, the comparative information presented for 2018 is not restated – i.e. it is presented, as previously reported, under FRS 17 and related interpretations. The details of the changes in accounting policies are disclosed below. Additionally, the disclosure requirements in FRS 116 have not generally been applied to comparative information.

Definition of a lease

Previously, the Company determined at contract inception whether an arrangement was or contained a lease under INT FRS 104 *Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease*. The Company now assesses whether a contract is or contains a lease based on the definition of a lease, as explained in FRS 116.

On transition to FRS 116, the Company elected to apply the practical expedient to grandfather the assessment of which transactions are leases. The Company applied FRS 116 only to contracts that were previously identified as leases. Contracts that were not identified as leases under FRS 17 and INT FRS 104 were not reassessed for whether there is a lease under FRS 116. Therefore, the definition of a lease under FRS 116 was applied only to contracts entered into or changed on or after 1 April 2019

As a lessee

As a lessee, the Company leases the office it currently operates in. The Company previously classified leases as operating or finance leases based on its assessment of whether the lease transferred significantly all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset to the Company. Under FRS 116, the Company recognises right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for most of these leases – i.e. these leases are on-balance sheet.

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative stand-alone price. However, for leases of property the Company has elected not to separate non-lease components and account for the lease and associated non-lease components as a single lease component.

Leases classified as operating leases under FRS 17

Previously, the Company classified property leases as operating leases under FRS 17. On transition, for these leases, lease liabilities were measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted at the respective lessee entities incremental borrowing rates applicable to the leases as at 1 April 2019. Right-of-use assets are measured at an amount equal to the lease liability, adjusted by the amount of any prepaid or accrued lease payments: the Company applied this approach to all other leases.

The Company has tested its right-of-use assets for impairment on the date of transition and has concluded that there is no indication that the right-of-use assets are impaired.

The Company used a number of practical expedients when applying FRS 116 to leases previously classified as operating leases under FRS 17. In particular, the Company:

- did not recognise right-of-use assets and liabilities for leases for which the lease term ends within 12 months of the date of initial application;
- did not recognise right-of-use assets and liabilities for leases of low value assets (e.g. IT equipment);
- excluded initial direct costs from the measurement of the right-of-use asset at the date of initial application; and
- used hindsight when determining the lease term.

Impact on financial statements

Impact on transition*

On transition to FRS 116, the Company recognised additional right-of-use assets and additional lease liabilities. The impact on transition is summarised below.

	1 April 2019
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Right-of-use assets – Lease premises	136,415
Lease liabilities	124,415

*For the impact of FRS 116 on profit or loss for the period, see Note 17. For the details of accounting policies under FRS 116 and FRS 17, see Note 3.3.

When measuring lease liabilities for leases that were classified as operating leases, the Company discounted lease payments using its incremental borrowing rate at 1 April 2019. The weighted-average rate applied is 1.89%.

	1 April 2019
	$
Operating lease commitments at 31 March 2019 as disclosed under FRS 17 in the Company's financial statements	126,581
Discounted using the incremental borrowing rate at 1 April 2019	1.89%
Lease liabilities recognised at 1 April 2019	124,415

3 Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements, except as explained in note 2.5, which addresses changes in accounting policies.

3.1 *Foreign currency transactions*

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated to the functional currency of the Company at exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated to the functional currency at the exchange rate at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss on monetary items is the difference between amortised cost in the functional currency at the beginning of the year, adjusted for effective interest and payments during the year, and the amortised cost in foreign currency translated at the exchange rate at the end of the year.

Non-monetary items in a foreign currency that are measured in terms of historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Foreign currency differences arising on retranslation are recognised in profit or loss.

3.2 *Financial instruments*

(i) Recognition and initial measurement

Non-derivative financial assets and financial liabilities

Trade receivables and debt investments issued are initially recognised when they are originated. All other financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

A financial asset (unless it is a trade receivable without a significant financing component) or financial liability is initially measured at fair value plus, for an item not at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL"), transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. A trade receivable without a significant financing component is initially measured at the transaction price.

(ii) Classification and subsequent measurement

Non-derivative financial assets

On initial recognition, a financial asset is classified as measured at: amortised cost; fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") – debt investment; FVOCI – equity investment; or FVTPL.

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Company changes its business model for managing financial assets, in which case all affected financial assets are reclassified on the first day of the first reporting period following the change in the business model.

Financial assets at amortised cost

A financial asset is measured at amortised cost if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Debt investments at FVOCI

A debt investment is measured at FVOCI if it meets both of the following conditions and is not designated as at FVTPL:

- it is held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets; and
- its contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Equity investments at FVOCI

On initial recognition of an equity investment that is not held-for-trading, the Company may irrevocably elect to present subsequent changes in the investment's fair value in OCI. This election is made on an investment-by-investment basis.

Financial assets at FVTPL

All financial assets not classified as measured at amortised cost or FVOCI as described above are measured at FVTPL. On initial recognition, the Company may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at FVOCI as at FVTPL if doing so eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Financial assets: Business model assessment

The Company makes an assessment of the objective of the business model in which a financial asset is held at a portfolio level because this best reflects the way the business is managed and information is provided to management. The information considered includes:

- the stated policies and objectives for the portfolio and the operation of those policies in practice. These include whether management's strategy focuses on earning contractual interest income, maintaining a particular interest rate profile, matching the duration of the financial assets to the duration of any related liabilities or expected cash outflows or realising cash flows through the sale of the assets;
- how the performance of the portfolio is evaluated and reported to the Company's management;
- the risks that affect the performance of the business model (and the financial assets held within that business model) and how those risks are managed;
- how managers of the business are compensated – e.g. whether compensation is based on the fair value of the assets managed or the contractual cash flows collected; and
- the frequency, volume and timing of sales of financial assets in prior periods, the reasons for such sales and expectations about future sales activity.

Transfers of financial assets to third parties in transactions that do not qualify for derecognition are not considered sales for this purpose, consistent with the Company's continuing recognition of the assets.

Financial assets that are held-for-trading or are managed and whose performance is evaluated on a fair value basis are measured at FVTPL.

Non-derivative financial assets: Assessment whether contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest

For the purposes of this assessment, 'principal' is defined as the fair value of the financial asset on initial recognition. 'Interest' is defined as consideration for the time value of money and for the credit risk associated with the principal amount outstanding during a particular period of time and for other basic lending risks and costs (e.g. liquidity risk and administrative costs), as well as a profit margin.

In assessing whether the contractual cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, the Company considers the contractual terms of the instrument. This includes assessing whether the financial asset contains a contractual term that could change the timing or amount of contractual cash flows such that it would not meet this condition. In making this assessment, the Company considers:

- contingent events that would change the amount or timing of cash flows;
- terms that may adjust the contractual coupon rate, including variable rate features;
- prepayment and extension features; and
- terms that limit the Company's claim to cash flows from specified assets (e.g. non-recourse features).

A prepayment feature is consistent with the solely payments of principal and interest criterion if the prepayment amount substantially represents unpaid amounts of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding, which may include reasonable additional compensation for early termination of the contract. Additionally, for a financial asset acquired at a significant discount or premium to its contractual par amount, a feature that permits or requires prepayment at an amount that substantially represents the contractual par amount plus accrued (but unpaid) contractual interest (which may also include reasonable additional compensation for early termination) is treated as consistent with this criterion if the fair value of the prepayment feature is insignificant at initial recognition.

Non-derivative financial assets: Subsequent measurement and gains and losses

Financial assets at FVTPL

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Net gains and losses, including any interest or dividend income, are recognised in profit or loss.

Financial assets at amortised cost

These assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

Debt investments at FVOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Interest income calculated using the effective interest method, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI. On derecognition, gains and losses accumulated in OCI are reclassified to profit or loss.

Equity investments at FVOCI

These assets are subsequently measured at fair value. Dividends are recognised as income in profit or loss unless the dividend clearly represents a recovery of part of the cost of the investment. Other net gains and losses are recognised in OCI and are never reclassified to profit or loss.

Non-derivative financial liabilities: Classification, subsequent measurement and gains and losses

Financial liabilities are classified as measured at amortised cost or FVTPL. A financial liability is classified as at FVTPL if it is classified as held-for-trading or it is designated as such on initial recognition. Financial liabilities at FVTPL are measured at fair value and net gains and losses, including any interest expense, are recognised in profit or loss. Directly attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Other financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value less directly attributable transaction costs. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Interest expense and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. These financial liabilities comprised redeemable preference shares, lease liability and other payables.

(iii) Derecognition

Financial assets

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows in a transaction in which substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Company neither transfers nor retains substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

The Company enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised in its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets. In these cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised.

Financial liabilities

The Company derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled, or expire. The Company also derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different, in which case a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value.

On derecognition of a financial liability, the difference between the carrying amount extinguished and the consideration paid (including any non-cash assets transferred or liabilities assumed) is recognised in profit or loss.

(iv) Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Company has a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

(v) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and fixed deposits with bank that are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Company in the management of its short-term commitments.

(vi) Share capital

Ordinary shares

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of ordinary shares are recognised as a deduction from equity, net of any tax effects.

Redeemable preference shares

The Company's redeemable preference shares are classified as financial liabilities, because they bear non-discretionary dividends and are redeemable in cash by the holders. Non-discretionary dividends thereon are recognised as interest expense in profit or loss as accrued.

3.3 *Leases*

The Company has applied FRS 116 using the modified retrospective approach and therefore the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under FRS 17 and INT FRS 104. The details of accounting policies under FRS 17 and INT FRS 104 are disclosed separately.

Policy applicable from 1 April 2019

At inception of a contract, the Company assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Company uses the definition of a lease in FRS 116.

This policy is applied to contracts entered into, on or after 1 April 2019.

As a lessee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative standalone prices. However, for the leases of property the Company has elected not to separate non-lease components and account for the lease and non-lease components as a single lease component.

The Company recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove the underlying asset or to restore the underlying asset or the site on which it is located, less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term, unless the lease transfers ownership of the underlying asset to the Company by the end of the lease term or the cost of the right-of-use asset reflects that the Company will exercise a purchase option. In that case the right-of-use asset will be depreciated over the useful life of the underlying asset, which is determined on the same basis as those of property and equipment. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Company's incremental borrowing rate. Generally, the Company uses its incremental borrowing rate as the discount rate.

The Company determines its incremental borrowing rate by obtaining interest rates from various external financing sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of the asset leased.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability comprise the following:

- fixed payments, including in-substance fixed payments;
- variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, initially measured using the index or rate as at the commencement date;
- amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee; and
- the exercise price under a purchase option that the Company is reasonably certain to exercise, lease payments in an optional renewal period if the Company is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, and penalties for early termination of a lease unless the Company is reasonably certain not to terminate early.

The lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments arising from a change in an index or rate, if there is a change in the Company's estimate of the amount expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee, if the Company changes its assessment of whether it will exercise a purchase, extension or termination option or if there is a revised in-substance fixed lease payment.

When the lease liability is remeasured in this way, a corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

The Company presents right-of-use assets that do not meet the definition of investment property and lease liabilities in the statement of financial position.

Leases - Policy applicable before 1 April 2019

As a lessee

In the comparative period, as a lessee the Company classified assets held under leases as operating leases and were not recognised in the Company's statement of financial position. Payments made under operating leases were recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received were recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease. Contingent rentals are charged to profit or loss in the accounting period in which they are incurred.

3.4 *Impairment*

(i) Non-derivative financial asset

The Company recognises loss allowances for ECLs on financial assets measured at amortised cost and contract assets (as defined in FRS115).

Loss allowances of the Company are measured on either of the following bases:

- 12-month ECLs: these are ECLs that result from default events that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date (or for a shorter period if the expected life of the instrument is less than 12 months); or
- Lifetime ECLs: these are ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument or contract asset.

Simplified approach

The Company applies the simplified approach to provide for ECLs for all trade receivables and contract assets. The simplified approach requires the loss allowance to be measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

General approach

The Company applies the general approach to provide for ECLs on all other financial instruments. Under the general approach, the loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs at initial recognition.

At each reporting date, the Company assesses whether the credit risk of a financial instrument has increased significantly since initial recognition. When credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment and includes forward-looking information.

If credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition or if the credit quality of the financial instruments improves such that there is no longer a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, loss allowance is measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECLs.

The Company considers a financial asset to be in default when:

- the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Company in full, without recourse by the Company to actions such as realising security (if any is held); or
- the financial asset is more than 90 days past due.

The Company considers a contract asset to be in default when the customer is unlikely to pay its contractual obligations to the Company in full, without recourse by the Company to actions such as realising security (if any is held).

The maximum period considered when estimating ECLs is the maximum contractual period over which the Company is exposed to credit risk.

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are probability-weighted estimates of credit losses. Credit losses are measured at the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Company expects to receive). ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Company assesses whether financial assets carried at amortised cost are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit-impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

Evidence that a financial asset is credit-impaired includes the following observable data:

- significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default or being more than 90 days past due;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Company on terms that the Company would not consider otherwise;
- it is probable that the borrower will enter bankruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

Presentation of allowance for ECLs in the statement of financial position

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost and contract assets are deducted from the gross carrying amount of these assets.

Write-off

The gross carrying amount of a financial asset is written off (either partially or in full) to the extent that there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Company determines that the debtor does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off. However, financial assets that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Company's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

(ii) Non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of the Company's non-financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit ("CGU") exceeds its estimated recoverable amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset or CGU. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets that cannot be tested individually are grouped together into the smallest group of assets that generates cash inflows from continuing use that are largely independent of the cash inflows of other assets or CGUs.

Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

3.5 *Employee benefits*

Defined contribution plans

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss in the periods during which services are rendered by employees.

Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid if the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee, and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Employee leave entitlement

Employee entitlements to annual leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the reporting date.

3.6 *Provisions*

A provision is recognised if, as a result of a past event, the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation that can be estimated reliably, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cash flows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as finance cost.

3.7 *Plant and equipment*

Recognition and measurement

Items of plant and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset.

When parts of an item of plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of plant and equipment.

The gain or loss on disposal of an item of plant and equipment calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item is recognised in profit or loss.

Subsequent costs

The cost of replacing a component of an item of plant and equipment is recognised in the carrying amount of the item if it is probable that future economic benefits embodied within the component will flow to the Company, and its cost can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced component is derecognised. The costs of the day-to-day servicing of plant and equipment are recognised in profit or loss as incurred.

Depreciation

Depreciation is based on the cost of an asset less its residual value. Significant components of individual assets are assessed and if a component has a useful life that is different from the remainder of that asset, that component is depreciated separately.

Depreciation is recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each component of an item of plant and equipment.

Depreciation is recognised from the date that the plant and equipment are installed and are ready for use.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods are as follows:

Furniture and fittings	3 years
Office equipment	3 years
Computer equipment	3 years

Depreciation methods and useful lives are reviewed, at the end of each reporting period and adjusted if appropriate.

3.8 *Revenue recognition*

The Company recognises revenue when it renders service to its customer. Revenue is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties.

The following is a description of principal activities from which the Company generates its revenue.

(i) Investment management fees

Investment management fees are based on the fee rates that are applied to the value of assets under the respective funds managed by the Company. No adjustment is made to transaction prices for time value of money as the contracts do not include significant financing consideration payable to the fund.

The company recognises fee revenue over time as such services are rendered. The invoices raised for the services are rendered on a monthly basis and the fund is required to pay for the services within 30 days of receipt of such invoice.

(ii) Advisory fee

Advisory fees relate to fees paid in return for the Company's provision of services and investment advisory to Sundaram Alternative Opportunities Fund Mauritius Limited and Sundaram Alternative Opportunities Fund II Mauritius Limited.

Revenue is recognised over the period of the contract as the services are performed. No adjustment is made to transaction prices for time value of money as the contracts do not include significant financing consideration.

The company recognises fee revenue over time as such services are rendered. The invoices raised for the services are rendered on a quarterly basis and the customers are required to pay for the services within 30 days of receipt of invoice.

(iii) Disaggregation of revenue

The company does not provide bundled services or goods. All services and goods are invoiced separately.

3.9 *Investor introduction expenses*

Investor introduction fees directly attributable to obtaining a contract is capitalised under contract costs when incurred, if the Company expects to be able to recover these costs. The contract costs are then amortised across a period that is consistent with the pattern of revenue recognised.

The Company recognises an impairment loss in profit or loss to the extent that the carrying amount of the contract assets exceed the remaining amount of consideration that the Company expects to receive in exchange for the services to which the contract assets relates less costs that relate directly to providing such services that have not been recognised as expenses.

3.10 *Other distribution expenses*

Other distribution expenses pertain to trailer fees paid to intermediaries, and are recognised on an accrual basis when services are received.

3.11 *Finance income and finance costs*

The Company's finance income and finance costs include:

- interest income;
- interest expense on lease liability; and
- dividend expense on preference shares issued classified as financial liabilities.

Interest income is recognised as it accrues in profit or loss, using the effective interest method.

Finance costs comprise interest expense on lease liability and dividend expense on preference shares issued that were classified as financial liabilities, and are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method.

Foreign currency gains and losses on financial assets and financial liabilities are reported on a net basis as either finance income or finance cost depending on whether foreign currency movements are in a net gain or net loss position.

3.12 *Tax*

Tax expense comprises current and deferred tax. Current tax and deferred tax are recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

Current tax is the expected tax payable or receivable on the taxable income or loss for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustment to tax payable in respect of previous years. The amount of current tax payable or receivables is the best estimate of the tax amount expected to be paid or received that reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if any.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes.

Deferred tax is not recognised for temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects either accounting nor taxable profit or loss.

The measurement of deferred taxes reflects the tax consequences that would follow the manner in which the Company expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities. Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, based on the tax rates and tax laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date, and reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if any.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax liabilities and assets, and they relate to taxes levied by the same tax authority on the same taxable entity.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses, unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Future taxable profits are determined based on the reversal of relevant taxable temporary differences. If the amount of taxable temporary differences is insufficient to recognise a deferred tax asset in full, then future taxable profits, adjusted for reversals of existing temporary differences, are considered, based on the business plans for the Company. Deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date and are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that the related tax benefit will be realised; such reductions are reversed when the probability of future taxable profits improves.

Unrecognised deferred tax assets are reassessed at each reporting date and recognised to the extent that it has become probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used.

In determining the amount of current and deferred tax, the Company takes into account the impact of uncertain tax positions and whether additional taxes and interest may be due. The Company believes that its accruals for tax liabilities are adequate for all open tax years based on its assessment of many factors, including interpretations of tax law and prior experience. This assessment relies on estimates and assumptions and may involve a series of judgements about future events. New information may become available that causes the Company to change its judgement regarding the adequacy of existing tax liabilities; such changes to tax liabilities will impact tax expense in the period that such a determination is made.

3.13 *Key management personnel*

Key management personnel of the Company are those persons having the authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the Company. The board of directors and senior management are considered as key management personnel of the Company.

3.14 *New accounting standards and interpretations not adopted*

A number of new standards, interpretations and amendments to standards are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 April 2019 and earlier application is permitted; however, the Company has not early adopted the new or amended standards and interpretations in preparing these financial statements.

The following new FRSs, interpretations and amendments to FRSs are not expected to have a significant impact on the Company's statement of financial position.

- *Amendments to References to Conceptual Framework in FRS Standards*
- *Definition of Material* (Amendments to FRS 1 and FRS 8)

4 Plant and equipment

	Furniture and fittings $	Office equipment $	Computer equipment $	Total $
Cost				
At 1 April 2018	103,420	9,231	13,692	126,343
Additions–	698	–	698	
At 31 March 2019	103,420	9,929	13,692	127,041
Additions–	–	5,989	5,989	
At 31 March 2020	103,420	9,929	19,681	133,030
Accumulated depreciation				
At 1 April 2018	70,953	7,472	12,707	91,132
Depreciation for the year	15,400	863	797	17,060
At 31 March 2019	86,353	8,335	13,504	108,192
Depreciation for the year	14,378	847	1,157	16,382
At 31 March 2020	100,731	9,182	14,661	124,574
Carrying amounts				
At 1 April 2018	32,467	1,759	985	35,211
At 31 March 2019	17,067	1,594	188	18,849
At 31 March 2020	2,689	747	5,020	8,456

5 Contract costs

	$
At 1 April 2018	1,362,797
Additions	732,592
Amortisation	(809,464)
Impairment	–
At 31 March 2019	1,285,925
Additions	858,097
Amortisation	(738,948)
Impairment	–
At 31 March 2020	1,405,074

6 Trade and other receivables

	2020 $	2019 $
Non-current		
Security deposits	17,261	17,171
Current		
Trade receivables, third parties	338,306	–
Amount due from related parties (trade)	270,387	319,589
Amount due from related party (non-trade)	38,037	–
Less: impairment on amount due from related party	(18,910)	–
Other receivables	14,364	6,830
Loans and receivables	642,184	326,419
Prepayments	45,580	19,709
	687,764	346,128
	705,025	363,299

The non-trade receivables from a related party of are set-up expenses paid on behalf of the related party by the Company. Impairment on these balances has been measured on the lifetime estimated credit loss basis. An impairment loss of $18,910 (2019: Nil) has been recognised in profit or loss during the year ended 31 March 2020.

7 Cash and cash equivalents

	2020 $	2019 $
Cash at bank	2,022,954	1,737,403
Fixed deposits with bank with original maturity of 3 months or less	257,252	255,970
Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position	2,280,206	1,993,373

	2020 $	2019 $
Less: Deposits pledged with bank	(250,000)	(250,000)
Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows	2,030,206	1,743,373

The effective interest rate relating to fixed deposits at the reporting date is 0.25% (2019: 0.25%) per annum. Interest rates re-price or mature, whichever is earlier, at intervals within one year.

Fixed deposits amounting to $250,000 (2019: $250,000) are pledged with bank for a revolving credit facility granted to the Company. No drawdowns have been made by the Company in respect of the facility as at 31 March 2020.

8 Share capital

	2020 Number of shares	2019 Number of shares
Issued and fully paid shares with no par value:		
At 1 April and 31 March	5,855,001	5,855,001

All issued shares are fully paid, with no par value.

Ordinary shares

The holder of ordinary shares is entitled to receive dividends as declared from time to time and is entitled to one vote per share at meetings of the Company. All shares rank equally with regard to the Company's residual assets.

Dividends

The following exempt (one-tier) dividends were declared and paid by the Company:

For the year ended 31 March	2020 $	2019 $
Paid by the Company to owners of the Company		
Interim dividend of 6 cents per qualifying ordinary share (2019: 3.5 cents)	351,300	204,925

Capital management

The Company defines "capital" to be share capital and accumulated profits. The immediate holding company ensures that the Company has adequate capital in order to meet its obligations and to sustain the operations of the Company. The Company is subject to externally imposed minimum base capital requirements under Securities and Futures (Financial and Margin Requirements for Holders of Capital Markets Services Licenses) Regulations.

The Company has complied with the base capital and financial resources requirements.

9 Redeemable preference shares

	2020 $	2019 $
Non-current liability		
Redeemable preference shares	260,000	260,000
Current liability		
Dividend payable on redeemable preference shares	–	260

Redeemable preference shares were issued at $1 per share to the Company's immediate holding company. All issued shares are fully paid.

The redeemable preference shares are mandatorily redeemable at initial subscription value on 8 June 2022. However, the Company may at any time redeem or the holder of redeemable preference shares may at any time require the Company to redeem, the whole or any of the redeemable preference shares held by giving not less than 7 days' notice in writing.

The holder of the redeemable preference shares is entitled to cumulative preferential dividend of 0.1%, as and when such dividend are declared in respect of the redeemable preference shares, in preference to the holders of ordinary shares.

During the year, the Company declared and paid interim dividend of 0.1 cents per redeemable preference share (2019: 0.1 cents).

The redeemable preference shares are non-convertible and do not carry the right to vote.

10 Other payables

	2020 $	2019 $
Accrued expenses	793,816	505,833
Others	23,634	10,359
	817,450	516,192

11 Provision

	Office restoration $
At 1 April 2018	–
Provision made during the year	–
Utilisation during the year	–
At 31 March 2019	–
Provision made during the year	12,000
Utilisation during the year	–
At 31 March 2020	12,000

A provision of $12,000 was made during the year in respect of the Company's obligation to reinstate its office premises to original condition and state immediately prior to the expiration of the lease term.

12 Revenue

	2020 $	2019 $
Investment management fees	3,847,290	3,274,340
Investment research advisory fees from immediate holding company	–	160,000
Services and investment advisory fees	169,460	152,438
Management fee rebate	(103,994)	(39,075)
	3,912,756	3,547,703

The investment advisory agreement with the immediate holding company was terminated in the previous financial year.

There were no contract liabilities at the beginning or at the end of the reporting period. Consequently, no revenue was recognised during the year in respect of contract liability balances at the beginning of the year.

There was no revenue recognised during the year from performance obligations satisfied, or partially satisfied, in the previous reporting periods.

13 Investor introduction expenses

	Note	2020 $	2019 $
Amortisation of contract costs	5	738,948	809,464
Investor introduction expenses not capitalised		5,484	281,914
Clawback of investor introduction expense		(6,897)	(2,640)
		737,535	1,088,738

14 Profit for the year

The following items have been included in arriving at profit for the year:

	2020 $	2019 $
Contribution to a defined contribution plans included in staff costs	59,4035	4,549
Depreciation expense	16,382	17,060
Depreciation of right-of-use asset	71,173	–
Legal and professional fees	165,056	123,511
Subscription and licence fees	105,768	66,267
Travelling expenses	21,115	30,356
Foreign exchange (gain)/loss, net	27,004	11,651

15 Tax expense

	2020 $	2019 $
Current tax expense		
Current year	–	–
Reconciliation of effective tax rate		
Profit before tax	780,793	901,604
Income tax using the Singapore tax rate of 17% (2019: 17%)	132,735	153,273
Non-deductible expenses	14,884	2,900
Recognition of tax effect of previously unrecognised tax losses	(147,619)	(156,173)
	–	–

Unutilised tax losses amounting to $1,174,369 (2019: $2,042,717) are available for set off against taxable profits of future periods subject to compliance with the provisions of Section 37 read with Section 14U of the Singapore Income Tax Act, Chapter 134 and agreement with the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore.

Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of these tax losses because it is not probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the Company can utilise the benefit.

16 Related parties

Transactions with key management personnel

The compensation details of key management personnel are as follows:

	2020 $	2019 $
Director's fees–	–	
Remuneration and short-term employee benefits	625,423	588,823
Contribution to a defined contribution plan	32,118	32,118

Other related party transactions

In addition to those related party information disclosed elsewhere in the financial statements, the following significant transactions took place with related companies during the financial year at terms agreed between the parties:

	2020 $	2019 $
Transaction with Sundaram India Funds		
Investment management fee income	3,071,880	3,272,700
Transaction with immediate holding company		
Investment advisory fee income	–	160,000
Transaction with related party		
Investment advisory expenses	(20,000)	(20,000)

17 Leases

Leases as lessee (FRS 116)

The Company leases its office premises for a period of 2 years ending in February 2021. Lease payments are renegotiated every two years to reflect market rentals.

Information about leases for which the Company is a lessee is presented below.

Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets related to leased properties that do not meet the definition of investment property are presented in the statement of financial position.

	Lease premises $
2020	
Balance at 1 April	136,415
Depreciation charge for the year	(71,173)
Balance at 31 March	65,242

Amounts recognised in profit or loss

	$
2020-eases under FRS 116	
Interest on lease liabilities	1,692
Depreciation charge for right-of-use assets	71,173
2019-Operating leases under FRS 17	
Lease expense	66,042

Amounts recognised in statement of cash flows

	2020 $
Total cash outflow for leases	66,041

18 Financial risk management

Overview of risk management

Risk management is integral to the whole business of the Company. The Company has a system of controls in place to create an acceptable balance between the cost of risks occurring and the cost of managing the risks.

The Board of Directors oversees how management monitors compliance with the Company's risk management policies and procedures and reviews the adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the Company.

Credit risk

Exposure to credit risk

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to the Company if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations.

Concentration of credit risk exist when a number of counterparties are engaged in similar activities, or operate in the same geographical areas or industry sectors and have similar economic characteristics so that their ability to meet contractual obligations is similarly affected by changes in economic, political or other conditions.

As at the reporting date, there were no significant concentrations of credit risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of each financial asset in the statement of financial position.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Company ensure that cash are placed with financial institutions of recognised credit standing. Impairment on cash and cash equivalents has been measured on the 12 month expected loss basis and reflects the short maturities of the exposures. The Company considers that its cash and cash equivalents have low credit risk based on the external credit ratings of the counterparties. The amount of the allowance on cash and cash equivalents is negligible.

Trade and other receivables

The Company's credit risk exposure arising from trade and other receivables pertains largely to the trade receivables from funds where the Company is the fund manager or investment advisor. The counterparties have good history of prompt payments, where none of the receivables have been written off or are credit-impaired at the reporting date. Other than as disclosed in Note 6, the Company considers that its trade receivables and non-impaired other receivables have low credit risk, and the amount of the allowance on trade and non-impaired other receivables is negligible.

The ageing of trade and other receivables, excluding prepayments, at the reporting date was:

	2020		2019	
	Gross	Impairment losses	Gross	Impairment losses
	$	$	$	$
Not past due	678,355	(18,910)	343,590	–

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company manages the liquidity structure of its assets, liabilities and commitments so that cash flows are appropriately balanced and all funding obligations are met when due.

The carrying amounts of the financial liabilities as at 31 March 2020 and 31 March 2019 approximates their contractual cash flows and are repayable on demand or due within 6 months from the end of the reporting period.

Currency risk

As the functional currency of the Company is the Singapore dollar, the Company is exposed to currency risk on asset and liabilities that are denominated in currencies other than Singapore dollars.

The Company's exposure to foreign currency is mainly in United States dollars (US dollar) as follows:

	2020	2019
	$	$
Trade and other receivables	608,693	319,590
Cash and cash equivalents	323,359	1,353,139
Other payables	(510,657)	(262,637)
	421,395	1,410,092

Sensitivity analysis

A 5% strengthening of the Singapore dollar against the US dollar to which the Company has exposure at the reporting date would decrease profit or loss by the amount shown below. This analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant.

	Profit or loss	
	2020	2019
	$	$
United States dollars	(21,070)	(70,505)

A 5% worsening of the Singapore dollar against the US dollar would have the equal but opposite effect on the basis that all other variables remain constant.

Interest rate risk

The Company is not exposed to interest rate risk as the Company does not have any variable interest rate instruments or borrowings.

Estimation of fair values

Financial assets and liabilities are not measured at fair value as the carrying amounts of financial assets and financial liabilities are assumed to approximate their fair values.

19 Subsequent event

The World Health Organisation declared the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak to be a pandemic in recognition of its rapid spread across the globe, with over 150 countries now affected. Many governments are taking increasingly stringent steps to help contain or delay the spread of the virus. Currently, there is a significant increase in economic uncertainty which is, for example, evidenced by more volatile asset prices and currency exchange rates.

For the Company's 31 March 2020 financial statements, the Coronavirus outbreak and the related impacts are considered non-adjusting events. Due to the uncertainty of the outcome of the current events, the Company cannot reasonably estimate the impact these events will have on the Company's financial position, results of operations or cash flows in the future.