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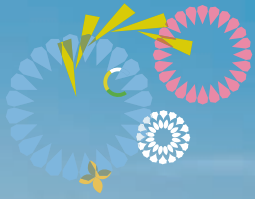
Digitalization and Sustainability

Mobile Telecommunications Company
Saudi Arabia Board of Directors Report

2022

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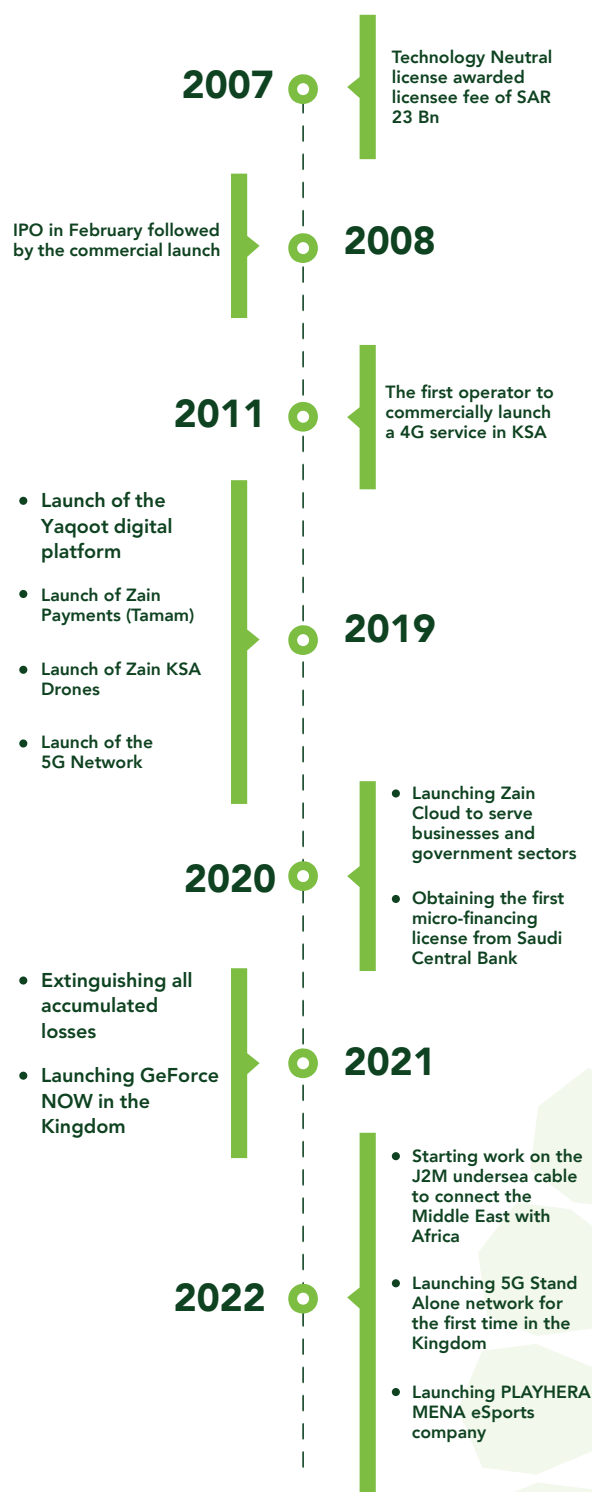
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Introduction

Zain KSA reached new heights in its journey during 2022. The Company continued to champion digitalization across all economic, social, educational, and entertainment-related areas. This aligns with the aspirations of the astute leadership and the goals of Saudi Vision 2030 to create a world-leading, ambitious nation that leverages technology to improve the lives of its citizens and a global innovation hub.

During 2022, Zain KSA's strategic direction focused on achieving innovation sustainability in the Kingdom by advancing digitalization to new levels, beyond ICT, and making it more inclusive by building an integrated digital ecosystem that ensures the sustainability and localization of technologies, covering all aspects of the Kingdom's digital journey. In 2022, Zain KSA began investing in adjacent markets such as fintech, e-sports, and digital entertainment, as well as the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Virtual and Augmented Reality, Internet of Things, and cloud computing, among others, in an effort to become the partner of choice for cloud computing throughout the Kingdom.

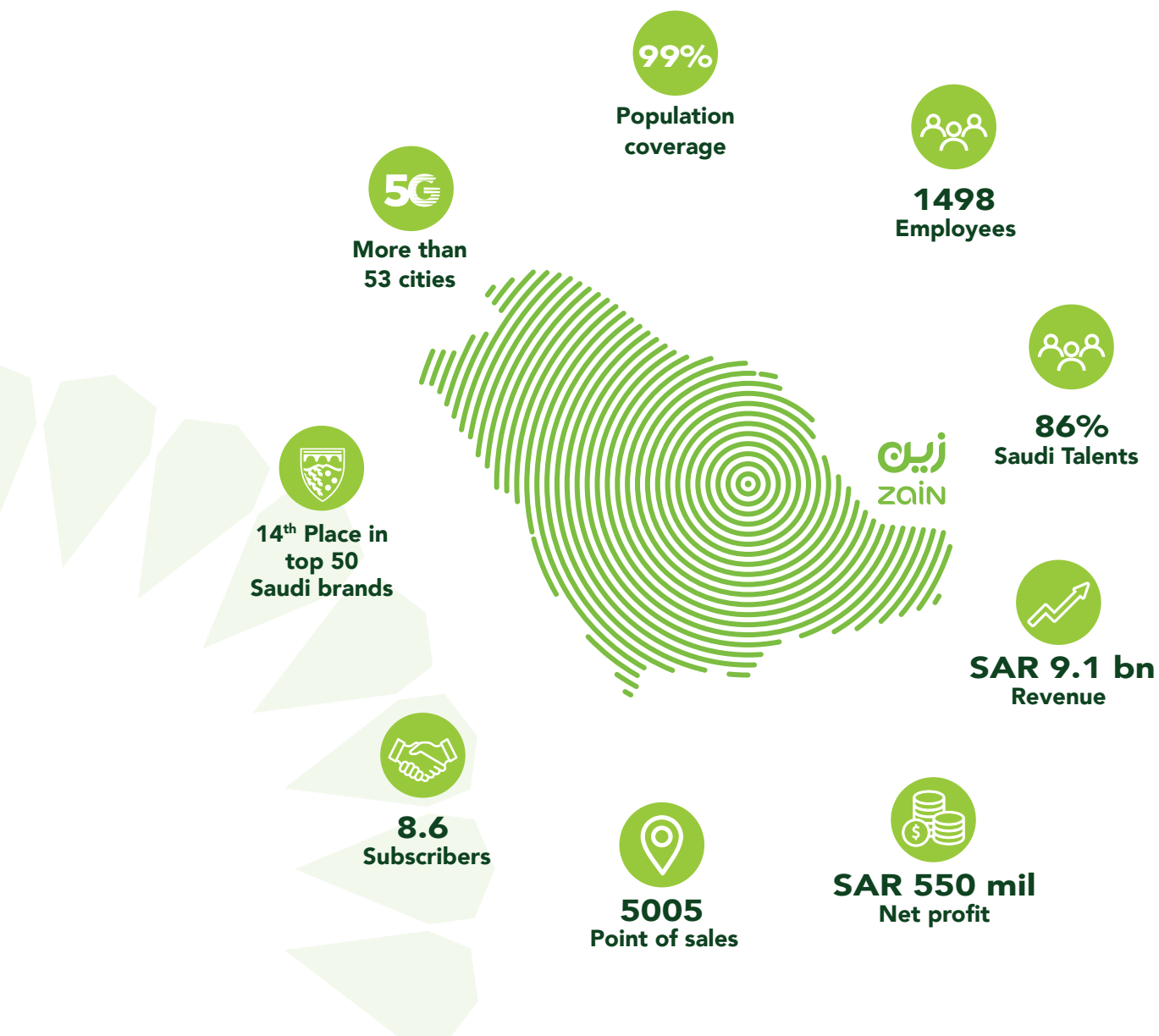


About Us

Zain KSA was established as a Saudi Joint Stock Company pursuant to the Royal Decree No. 48/M dated 26th of Jumada Al-Awwal 1428H (corresponding to June 12 ,2007), Ministerial Resolutions No. 176 dated 25th of Jumada I 1428H (corresponding to June 11 ,2007), No. 357 dated 28th of Dhu Al Hijjah 1428H (corresponding to January 7 ,2008), and Commercial Registration No. 1010246192 issued in Riyadh, on the 4th of Rabi Al-Awwal 1429H (corresponding to March 12 ,2008).

Zain KSA commenced commercial operations in August 2008, following an Initial Public Offering in February 2008. In September 2011, Zain KSA was the first operator in the Middle East to commercially launch a 4G/LTE network. In October 2019, Zain KSA launched the third largest 5G network in the world and the largest 5G network in the Middle East, Europe, and Africa at the time.

Due to its highly developed infrastructure, and its pioneering strategy, the company was successful in establishing itself as a reliable telecom operator an digital service provider whose services include telecom services, a 5G network, Fintech, cloud computing, IoT solutions, fiber services, and drones.



Legal name	Mobile Telecommunication Company Saudi Arabia
Legal form	Publicly Listed Company
CR Number	1010246192
Trading No. (Tadawul)	7030
Paid-up capital (SAR)	8,987,291,750
Number of shares	898,729,175
Industry & Sector	Telecommunications
Date of establishment	12/03/2008
Date of listing	22/03/2008
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Subsidiaries

Zain Sales Co Ltd

A limited liability company registered and operating in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Zain Sales Co Ltd. was established in 2018 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) with CR number (1010474932) and a capital of SAR 10,000. The company engages in commercial distribution and partner management activities. Zain Sales has been established as the company's sales arm in the market to function as an intermediary between Zain KSA and the consumer sales and distribution channels for more efficient channel management and overall sales efficiency. It is expected to be Zain KSA's biggest revenue contributor through wholesale revenue, i.e., the volume of Voice and Data Scratch Cards/Vouchers. Zain Sales started its operation in the first quarter of 2019, and during 2021, Sale Co. contributed up to 3.5% of Zain KSA's overall revenue.

Tamam Finance Company (Tamam)

Tamam is a closed joint stock company established in 2019 and operating in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and wholly owned by the Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) with CR number (1010573360). The company is engaged in providing consumer microfinance services in accordance with the approval of Saudi Central Bank ("SAMA") numbered 57/A SH/202012 issued on 15 Jamada Awwal 1442 (H), corresponding to December 20, 2020.

The company has increased its share capital from SAR 20,000,000 to SAR 57,000,000 during the 2nd Quarter of 2021. On 06 October 2022, the company increased its share capital by SAR 91 million to reach SAR 148 million. The company's goal is to increase financial inclusion in the Kingdom in line with Saudi Vision 2030's Financial Sector Development Program. The company started its operation in the 4th quarter of 2019 and during 2021, made a minimal contribution to the overall revenue and had no material impact on Zain KSA's business or results.



Zain Drones Ltd.

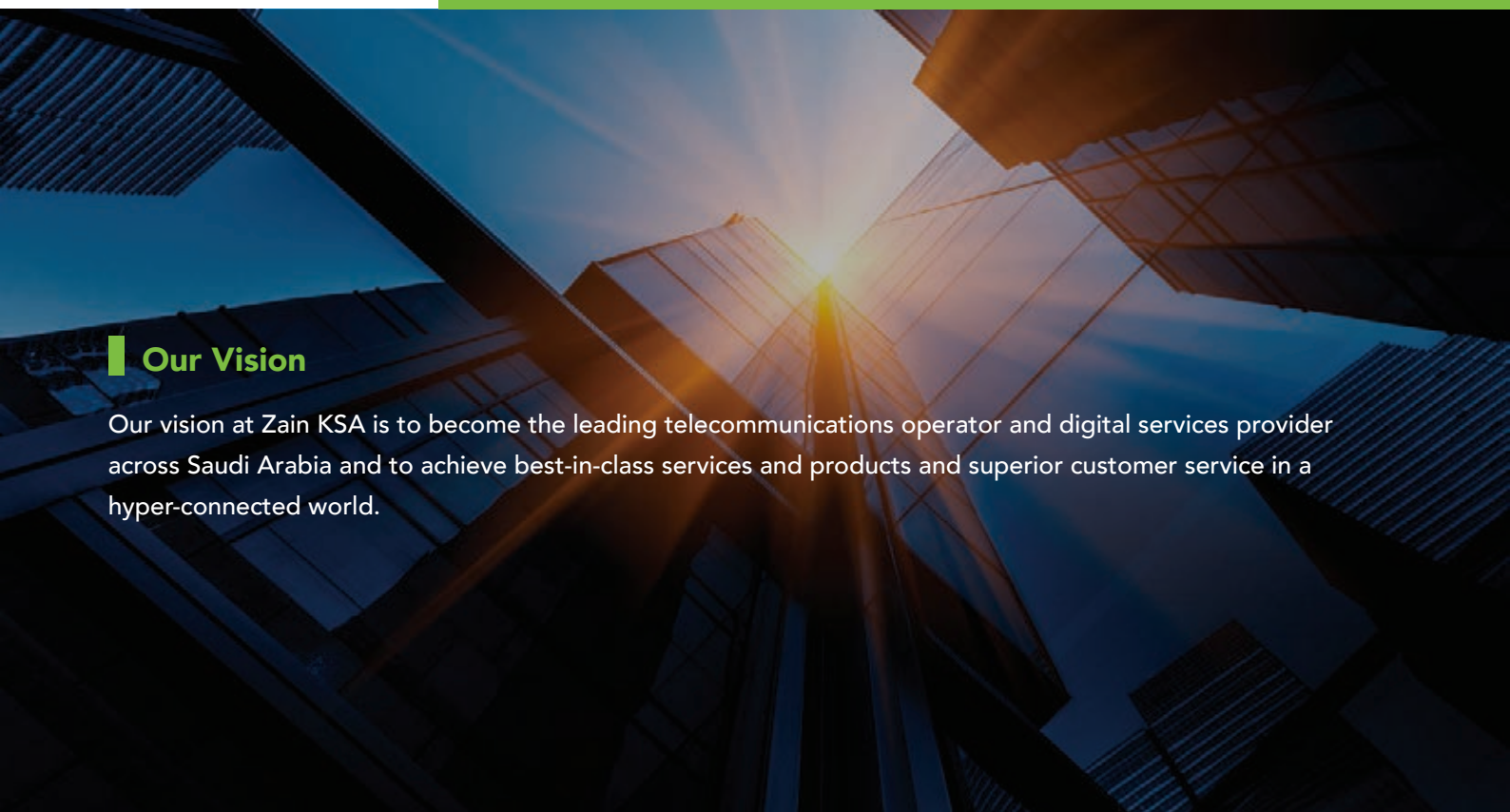
A limited liability company registered and operating in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Zain Drones Ltd. was established in 2019 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) with CR number (1010584404) and a capital of SAR 10,000. The company offers a diversified fleet of world-class drones and applications with the required capabilities to deliver state-of-the-art bespoke drone solutions and conduct advanced analytics for governments and enterprises. Through drone-powered solutions, the company will unlock opportunities for various industries to fast-track growth and utilize the Internet of Things (IoT) in an efficient, safe and agile environment. The company started its operation during the fourth quarter of 2019 and had no impact on Zain KSA's business or results.

Companies which Zain KSA Invests in

Golden Lattice Investment Company (GLI)

The Golden Lattice Investment Company, formerly known as Zain Business Limited (Zain Business), is a limited liability company (LLC) with CR number 1010472408 and has been operating in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia since its establishment in 2018 in the field of ICT and specialized subsidiary contracting.

The ownership of Zain Business Limited (Zain Business), a subsidiary of Zain KSA, was sold to the Public Investment Fund, for a nominal value of SAR 10,000. The PIF changed the name of the company from Zain Business to the Golden Lattice Investment Company. Zain KSA owns 20% of total shares of Golden Lattice Investment Company.



Our Vision

Our vision at Zain KSA is to become the leading telecommunications operator and digital services provider across Saudi Arabia and to achieve best-in-class services and products and superior customer service in a hyper-connected world.

Digitalization and Sustainability

Digitalization and sustainability were the key transformation drivers of Zain KSA's journey during 2022 through which the company reached new heights, bolstering its position as a leading digital provider and a major contributor to the Kingdom's digital transformation.

Championing a future-proof approach while adhering to the highest standards to enhance the quality of life, we aspire to offer our customers a unique personalized experience. Our journey continues within an integrated plan to cement our role in scaling up the national ICT sector and boosting sustainability by attracting, adopting and localizing technology across the Kingdom. Through our full-scale services, we have succeeded in expanding innovation technology and developing adjacent markets such as financial technology (fintech), e-sports, 5G technologies, the Internet of Things and Artificial Intelligence as well as Virtual and Augmented Reality services, in which we have scored a series of impressive achievements. We have also delivered a number of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (Industry 4.0) applications, known as smart city applications and cloud computing services.

This strategic direction has yielded three outstanding results: sustaining positive operational and financial performance, creating new value-added services to subscribers, investors and shareholders alike, and contributing to environmental and social sustainability, in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the Saudi Green and Middle East Green Initiatives. These outcomes will be detailed in this annual report.

These results support the developmental, economic and digital goals of Saudi Vision 2030, backed by our astute leadership goals of enhancing the Kingdom's leading position in aiding human progress while driving sustainability.

Customer Centric

We pore over every detail, inspired by the best global practices, developing innovative and high-end services that fulfill our customers' aspirations.

Agility

We provide a flexible and accessible service with the fastest and most superior technology.

Belonging

We take pride in our community and in our talents that we credit for our achievements.

Open Communication

We ensure credible business dealings whilst maintaining open communication for more reliable performance.

Inclusion

We provide a competitive, dynamic, and unbiased work environment that supports the role of women, people with disabilities, and a diverse mixture of cultures and generations.

Our Values



Our Achievements

January

Zain Cloud received the highest rating (Class C) ,for Cloud Computing Services, in the Kingdom from the Communications, Space & Technology Commission.



February

- Launched the Kingdom's first 5G Stand-Alone network during LEAP
- Signed a deal with Al Rajhi bank to enhance financial inclusion with innovative mobile technologies
- Zain Cloud launched six new comprehensive services supporting individuals and businesses.
- Tamam Financing signed an MoU with the Saudi Credit Bureau (SIMAH) to step up mutual collaboration to increase financial inclusion in Saudi Arabia and reduce credit risks.
- Launched 5G LAN, becoming the first operator in MENA to adopt the technology.



March

- Signed an MoU with Huawei to enhance digital infrastructure
- Expansion of GeForce NOW cloud gaming platform to serve regional markets
- Signed an MoU with Nokia to unlock the full potential of 5G by launching innovative applications and services for B2C and B2B users



April

Initiating works on the J2M undersea cable to link the Middle East with Africa (from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to Marseille, France). Jeddah will become the cable landing station in the Kingdom.

May

- Signed an MoU with the University of Tabuk to encourage education and empower youth in the field of information and communication technology; the MoU was signed during the International Conference and Exhibition for Education (ICEE)
- Participated as a "Headline Sponsor" in Saudi International Ai & Cloud Tech Expo (AiCloud Expo).



June

Launched the Evolve Program to provide Saudi youth with skill development opportunities and enhance the ICT sector by leveraging national capabilities.



July

Completed all arrangements and preparations to receive the pilgrims during the 2022 Hajj season, to ensure all pilgrims have access to top quality, speed, and reliability of communications and digital services.

August

- Launched PLAYHERA MENA platform for eSports in the Middle East markets, which is headquartered in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, to provide a suitable environment for creators and content designers, developing and nurturing talent and enhancing the capabilities of professional gamers.
- Launched the second edition of Women in Tech in collaboration with the Communications, Space and Technology Commission to foster the development of women in the ICT sector.

PLAYHERA
MENA

September

- Participated in the 8th edition of 'A Step Ahead' career fair as a Diamond Sponsor, reaching out to young talents seeking to leverage their competencies.
- Launched the 'Recycle your Device' e-waste recycling initiative in collaboration with the Communications, Space and Technology Commission to support sustainability goals.

A STEP AHEAD
CAREER FAIR
2022

دوّار جهازك

October

Partnered with the "Wala Plus" Program which specializes in supporting companies to achieve employee and customer happiness and satisfaction, pursuing full-scale service and product expansion.

ولاء بلس
WalaPlus

November

- Established and launched the first Electric Vehicle charging station in Granada Business
- Zain Cloud obtained Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) certification as a confirmation of the readiness and reliability of the cloud to host financial and fintech companies in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
- Signed an MoU with StarLink for cybersecurity and cloud computing services (StarLink MDMC) to provide innovative and secure cloud computing solutions and services.

PCI DSS
Certified

December

- Continued "Um Al Shogog" reforestation and rehabilitation campaign for the second consecutive year in cooperation with the Environmental Green Horizons Society.
- Won 4 awards at the Telecom Review Leaders' Summit: "Best Middle Eastern 5G Standalone Network", "Best Middle Eastern Cloud Provider", "Best Middle Eastern CSR Initiative", and "Middle East CTO Merit Leader of the Year".

أفاق خضراء
جمعية افاق خضراء البيئية
Environmental Green Horizons Society

SUMMIT
TELECOM Review
LEADERS' SUMMIT

Local and Global Rankings



ISO

ISO 27001:2013 (ISMS) Certification awarded to Zain Cloud" and "Zain Drone"



هيئة الاتصالات والفضاء والتقنية
Communications, Space & Technology Commission

Communications, Space and Technology Commission

Zain Cloud Rating (Class C) for Cloud Computing Services in the Kingdom

وزارة الشؤون
البلدية والقروية

Ministry of Municipal & Rural Affairs



Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and Housing (MOMRAH)

City Service Providers' Business Classification Certificate



PCI DSS) Certification

Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) Certification awarded to Zain Cloud

هيئة المحتوى المحلي
والمشتريات الحكومية
Local Content & Government
Procurement Authority



Local Content

Local Content Certificate for 2021



Meqyas

First place for 5G coverage in Riyadh, according to the Meqyas report issued by the Communications, Space and Technology Commission



Silver Effie MENA

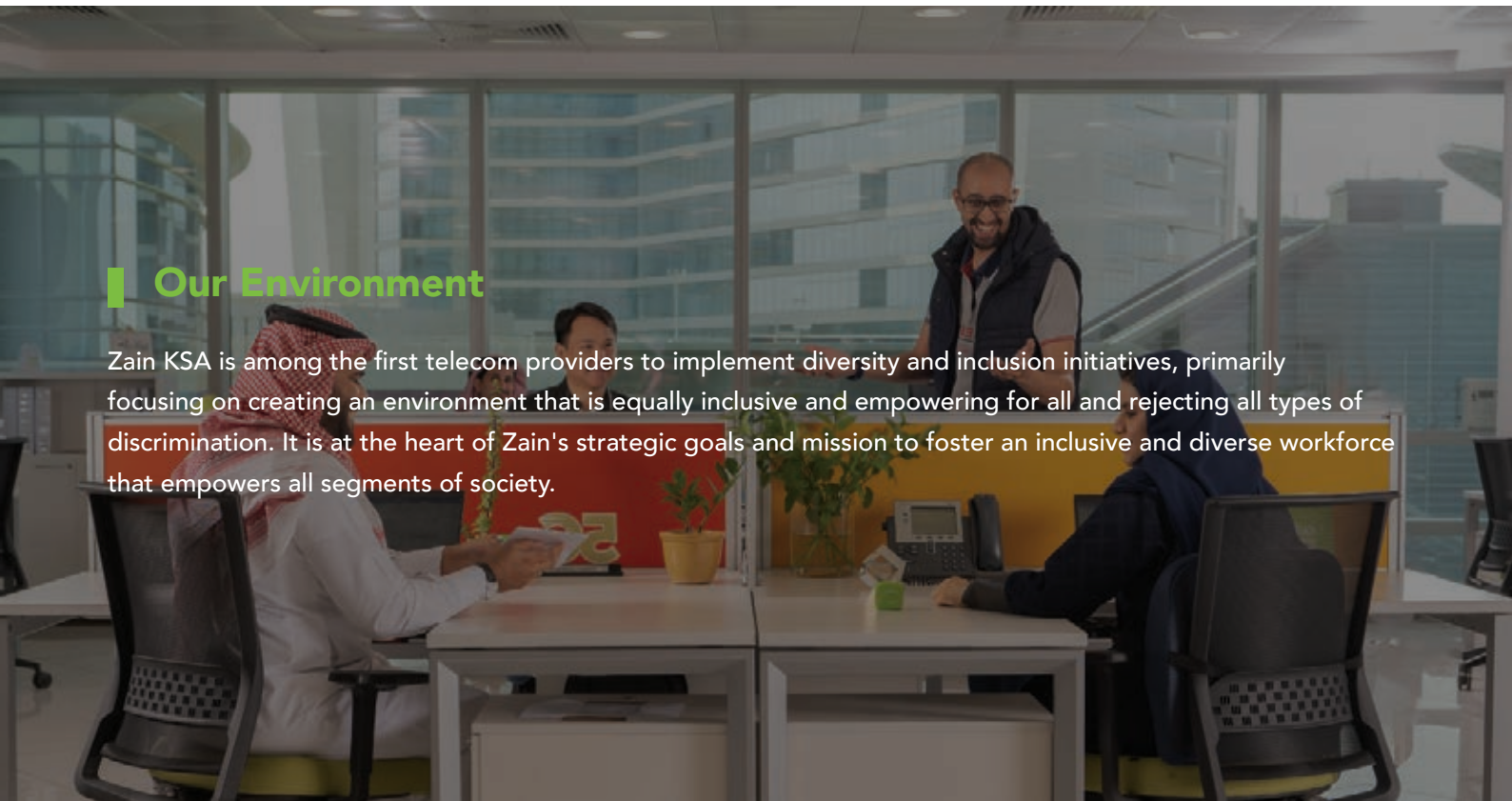
Silver Effie MENA Award in the Youth Marketing category



Telecom Review Awards

- "Best Middle Eastern 5G Stand Alone Network"
- "Best Middle Eastern Cloud Provider"
- "Best Middle Eastern CSR Initiative"
- "Middle East CTO Merit Leader of the Year"





Our Environment

Zain KSA is among the first telecom providers to implement diversity and inclusion initiatives, primarily focusing on creating an environment that is equally inclusive and empowering for all and rejecting all types of discrimination. It is at the heart of Zain's strategic goals and mission to foster an inclusive and diverse workforce that empowers all segments of society.

WE Initiative

In line with Saudi Vision 2030's goals to invest in human resources and talent development through its Human Capabilities Development Program, Zain KSA launched "WE", the Gender Diversity & Inclusion initiative, focusing on increasing female leadership and intending to achieve an equally inclusive and diverse work environment to both women and men.

WE ABLE Initiative

With the "WE ABLE" Initiative, Zain KSA aims to recruit and empower people with disabilities by providing a suitable work environment. This initiative aligns with the aspiring goals of Saudi Vision 2030 to empower such an important segment of the population to fully participate and contribute to society by providing them with more jobs and training.

BE WELL Initiative

In line with its commitment to enhancing the work environment and achieving well-being and satisfaction for its staff, Zain KSA launched the "BE WELL" mental wellness initiative for its employees.

Through the initiative and by giving heightened attention to mental health, Zain KSA seeks to establish a positive work environment, instill a safe and comfortable space for employees, and achieve enhanced career productivity.

ZY Initiative

Zain Youth "ZY" is a youth development initiative that taps into empowering young employees, aged between 18 and 20, with all the knowledge and resources to perform their best at the workplace. ZY has launched different programs to enhance Saudi youth's skills, such as Reverse Mentoring, Generation Z and CODE 7. These programs intend to build a sense of belonging and engagement within Zain KSA's workplace. ZY seeks to nurture a diverse and inclusive culture through its carefully designated programs, targeted towards spurring Zain KSA's plans to fruition.

Our employees are our most valuable assets

Zain KSA strives to gain a competitive advantage that enables it to attract, develop and retain its human capital to fulfill business needs. Zain KSA has conducted a transformation that addresses all aspects of HR to ensure the application of best practices to enhance performance, compliance, engagement, and retention.

In the face of the challenges brought forth by the rapid expansions and pay inflation in the Saudi labor market, the Company has conducted a compensation benchmark and designed adequate compensation and benefits methodologies, and recognition plans that support its Human Resources strategy that aim to drive employee and corporate performance.



Equal Opportunity

Zain KSA's efforts concentrated on developing HR policies that ensure diversity and gender equality, thus transforming the Company's work culture. In addition, the Company has updated its HR policies to raise awareness and employee adherence to policies and governing laws and regulations, with a strong emphasis on employee work/life balance.

Moreover, the Company also launched programs and initiatives aimed at empowering women within an integrated strategy to realize Saudi women's leadership in the telecoms sector. In addition to hiring more Saudi females, the Company also invested in developing the leadership skills of its female employees. These efforts helped the company to increase its female workforce percentage to reach 18%, and its female leadership to reach 10%. The Company continues to invest in its valuable human capital. The Company launched a new program to develop the skills of fresh graduates (Evolve) that has provided on-the-job training to more than 100 Saudi fresh graduates, 60% of whom are female, and more than half are enrolled in technical fields. The program included focused technical training in rare functions in addition to various training sessions in business disciplines and soft skills. Furthermore, the Company Zain KSA prides itself in employing high-caliber professionals with, 86% of its workforce consisting of energetic and inspired Saudi nationals.

Career growth

Additionally, Zain KSA has extended its efforts in talent development by designing and conducting several programs that promote talent development, such as the High Potential development and succession programs, that prepare high potentials and successors for executive and middle management roles, by investing in extensive training programs to sharpen their capabilities. In addition, the Company has successfully trained 46% of its workforce throughout the year 2022, including through intensive trainings programs from well-established institutions such as Harvard, IESE, and Henley business schools, and more.

These efforts have impacted the company positively, and it has seen resulting in a reduction in overall employee turnover, a healthier environment, and a stronger readiness to face future challenges.



Chairman's Message

Committed to marking outstanding milestones, we at Zain KSA move forward with our journey to provide cutting-edge digital services and enriching customer-centric experiences to reach out to diverse customer segments, thereby contributing to Saudi Vision 2030's goals of achieving a vibrant society, a thriving economy, and an ambitious nation. Over the past years, we have become a leading telecom and digital services provider in Saudi Arabia. Looking ahead, Zain KSA aspires to become a hub for digitalization and sustainability.

During 2022, we have written new success stories and contributed uniquely to the progress of our nation and the well-being of its people. We seized new opportunities to cement our position as the leading telecom and digital services provider in Saudi Arabia and become the preferred digital services and innovative solutions partner for our diverse customer base.

During the past year, we invested in innovation and developed high-end digital solutions that support sustainability. Empowered by our over-arching strategy and vision and demonstrating our unwavering commitment to building a future-proof Saudi digital ecosystem, we devised an integrated approach to invest in adjacent markets, particularly fintech and eSports. To this end, we have successfully charted a new digital future, creating applications and solutions, and tailoring a differentiated seamless customer experience with a focus on developing an evolving and innovative transformation.

Marking another aspect of our commitment to human values and social causes, 2022 witnessed many initiatives emanating from our Corporate Sustainability strategy, which is centered on the key objectives of addressing climate change, creating an inclusive workplace, and promoting an effective corporate governance policy. By doing so, we have enhanced our position as a Saudi company and reiterated our commitment to achieving our goals that align with the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Our corporate sustainability strategy has been instrumental in redirecting Zain KSA's business practices and operational efficiency in accordance with the concepts of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) management. Since incorporating these values into our decision-making and operational planning, we have become an industry leader in socially responsible investment.

Our keenness to boost our operational and corporate performance has also been driven by our long-standing commitment to generating more value and achieving higher profit margins for our stakeholders and investors year after year. As such, our revenues grew to SAR 9.1 bn in 2022, and profits amounted to SAR 550 mil, reflecting an increase of 157% over the same previous year, and for the first time in the company's history, the Board of Director's recommended to distribute cash dividends to Zain KSA shareholders.

Zain KSA's achievements attracted a large number of strategic partners and big corporate and individual investors in 2022. This was demonstrated in the offer presented by the Public Investment Fund, His Royal Highness Prince Saud bin Fahd bin Abdulaziz, and Sultan Holding Company to acquire 80% of the Company's tower infrastructure, which totaled 8,069 towers.

Through this collaboration, we were able to shift to a lower-CAPEX and a more innovation-focused business model, which has helped us more quickly realize our investment direction and objectives.

Our success stories reflect the great efforts of Zain KSA's Executive Management in steering the Company into growth and expansion through innovation in 2022.

In addition, these stories would not have seen light without the hard work of our talented workforce, particularly the young men and women who make up a large segment of our talent base and who are charting the future of the Zain KSA family.

In 2022, we also reiterated our commitment to sustaining a diverse and inclusive workplace by enhancing the leading role of Saudi women in the technology sector, with several initiatives organized to that end.

Driven by a strong faith in our capabilities, we will continue to accomplish greater milestones by expanding our scope of work in line with our strategy, which focuses on enhancing the customer experience and promoting innovation as well as driving operational and financial efficiency. Going forward, our company will continue to attract and retain exceptional talent with the aim of driving an impact that matters for our shareholders and investors.

Naif bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al-Kabeer
Chairman of the Board



Chairman's Message



Chief Executive Officer's Message

Zain KSA crowned another year of momentous achievements; a year in which we continued to advocate innovation as a leading telecom and digital services provider in the Kingdom. We have made great strides in leveraging the best user experience while contributing to the development of the sector's capabilities with our new investments and accelerating the Kingdom's transition to a sustainable digital future.

We are thankful that we have succeeded in boosting our technical capabilities and expanding the use of 5G technologies in the Kingdom, offering new solutions and applications supporting next-gen technologies, specifically in the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Virtual and Augmented Reality, the Internet of Things, cloud computing, and others. Being the first in the Kingdom to launch the 5G Stand-Alone technology, we have ushered in a new era of futuristic 5G use cases. We also continued to expand Zain Cloud portfolio, making it the preferred choice for premium cloud computing services and solutions across the Kingdom.

We are proud to boost the Kingdom's positioning on the global ICT competitiveness map by driving innovation in the sector and introducing advanced technologies and state-of-the-art solutions for the first time in the Kingdom. We were the first to introduce several innovative solutions, especially in adjacent markets, fulfilling our ambition to build a "Zain Digital World" within an integrated ecosystem that serves all segments of customers with bespoke solutions. On the Fintech level, we launched Tamam Financing, the first Saudi company issued a license for consumer micro-financing in the Kingdom by the Saudi Central Bank (SAMA). Through the establishment of PLAYHERA MENA, we have provided another unique experience in digital entertainment. We have also built Zain KSA's cross-border capabilities, soon connecting the Middle East to Africa via the J2M undersea cable system (from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia to Marseille, France), in line with world-class connectivity standards in terms of speed and reliability.

The 2022 financial results confirm our ongoing growth, backed by our evolving operational and financial performance. We maintained an upward trend in profits for the sixth year in a row, where we achieved profit growth of 157% during 2022, to SAR 550 mil.

As we celebrate another impressive year of achievement, we realize that much lies ahead. Our endless ambitions will underpin the growth of our country, shareholders, employees, customers and partners. We promise more innovation, creativity and excellence.

Eng. Sultan bin Abdulaziz Al-Deghaither
CEO

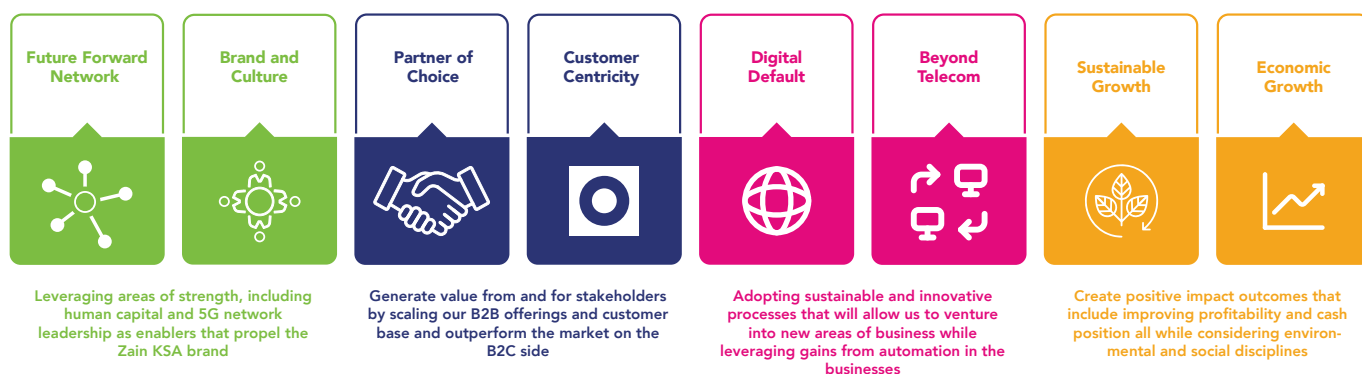


Chief Executive Officer's Message



Our Strategy

Our vision has inspired us to build a strategic approach to transform Zain KSA into the leading telecommunications operator and digital service provider in the Kingdom, to fully leverage our expertise and resources to meet the market demands and to continue to provide our services with high efficiency. Therefore, in 2022 we have expanded the scope of our work, contributing to the development of the ICT sector in Saudi Arabia. To this end, Zain KSA has endeavored to achieve its strategic approach based on three core pillars: Environment, Sustainability, and Governance (ESG), and linking them with the investor, the consumer, and the employee. Building the strategy on these foundations has helped us to clearly identify risks, focusing on the most important factors that may affect the company's profitability and sustainability and thus increase the efficiency to enhance Zain KSA's position in the market.



Sustainable Practices

To create an enabling environment for the prosperity and growth of the ICT sector, ensuring the economic growth and sustainable development of Saudi Arabia considering environmental and social factors

Saudi Vision 2030 aims to advance the future of Saudi Arabia with a focus on sustainability as a key aspect of planning and infrastructure. From this perspective, Zain KSA has developed a strategy based on sustainability by promoting infrastructure and expanding on a broad, fast, high quality, and low-cost scale implementation approach with distinctive, sustainable, environmentally friendly solutions as possible.

Based on this, Zain KSA has approved certain standards with its technical partners to reduce energy consumption, minimize the impact on the environment and climate, and make life in cities and communities more comfortable based on sustainable and innovative solutions that serve Saudi Arabia's aspirations.

Customer Centricity

Growing the customer base by focusing on diversity and improving the quality of services provided to B2B and B2C segments

Zain KSA is positioning the customer as its main focus and top priority, striving to tailor products and services that are relevant to the Saudi market and that address the evolving needs and expectations, and adeptly marketing them. The company has also addressed after-sales support through detailed tactical and operational procedures, including resolving customer complaints through traditional and digital channels. Zain KSA seeks to apply the same approach in serving its B2B segment in an effort to expand and develop its customer base.

Brand and culture

Our strategy is to excel in the market by promoting a caring culture among our employees, as part of a fulfilling work environment that encourages talents and leaders and develops new digital capabilities to ensure increased performance, competitive spirit, challenger attitude, women empowerment, and success through teamwork.

In order to foster a talented and innovative digital workplace, Zain KSA has launched its "flagship" transformation program, "ZETA", which opens the way for employees to innovate and create by sharing their ideas in various technology, commercial and financial domains.

This program will run for two years, enabling a collaborative, high-performance environment conducive to stimulating our growth, increasing our success, promoting a spirit of competition, developing good ideas, and responding more quickly to translate initiatives into market success.

Future Forward Network (5G)

Delivering a seamless, integrated user experience across 5G network technologies that are a revolution in communications

Zain KSA started its ambitious journey in 2019 to build one of the most developed 5G networks in the region, employing the expertise of a team of engineers and specialists. The company has sought to develop its 5G network, positioning it among the best in Saudi Arabia and the region, serving close to 9 million users across 53 cities through 5000+ towers. The network continues to gain thousands of new voice and data users every day.

Zain KSA has won numerous awards from several international benchmark index providers as the best 5G operator in KSA in terms of speed, coverage, and performance three years in a row.

This well-earned achievement is an outcome of Zain KSA's ongoing efforts to invest in advancing and expanding its 5G footprint in the region. Furthermore, by developing many 5G use cases serving different industries relying on next-generation technologies, such as the Internet of things (IoT) and eSports, Zain KSA is accelerating the Kingdom's transition to a digital economy and positioning it among the top nations in terms of network readiness.

Digital Default

We have embarked on a journey to continuously strengthen our digital capabilities to interact with digital users in Saudi Arabia, as well as to participate in ongoing digital transformation projects. Alongside supporting Saudi Vision 2030, this approach contributes to enhancing the Saudi knowledge-based economy with its digitally connected consumer base.

Within our efforts to keep Zain KSA at the forefront of the emerging digital economy, we moved forward with our entirely inclusive service digitalization process. This digital transformation will gradually improve, with offerings to consumers, a demand to implement internal and external processes and customer interactions, making consumer engagement with us easier, simpler, and more enjoyable. This all-digital transformation will ensure our operational excellence and expand our digital footprint in the market.

Partner of Choice

Saudi Vision 2030 has been the driving force of economic diversification; digital transformation has become the main enabler in all sectors. In this sense, Zain KSA came up with a strategy to expand the provision of services to the government sector, which led to an increase in its revenues from government sectors from 17% in 2020 to 25% during the year 2022, in addition to the company's continuous distinguished services to support its partnership with the business sector.

Zain KSA has embarked on delivering FTTH-based (fiber to the home) broadband connectivity as well as 5G to consumers to offer superfast broadband access coupled with innovative digital applications, that will redefine the way we live.

Through our partnerships with world-leading companies, we have provided solutions for our B2B customers based on high-speed connectivity and integrated applications. Planning to make Zain KSA a leader in innovation and speed, and delivering integrated ICT solutions in Saudi Arabia, we also ensured the company's activation of the Open Access agreement in 2021, which has been one of the key pillars of our operational strategy.

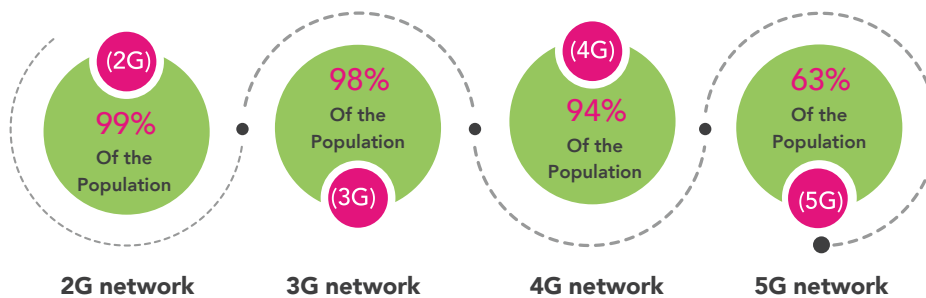
Beyond Telecom

Zain KSA has taken giant steps in tapping into adjacent markets and was able to achieve an advanced step in Fintech, through "Tamam", Zain KSA's Fintech arm and the first fully digital platform for micro-financing services in the Saudi market licensed by the Saudi Central Bank (SAMA). Today, "Tamam" is working on expanding by offering distinguished and innovative services, positioning Zain KSA as a leader in the Saudi Fintech market.

Moreover, Zain KSA has invested in drones, another innovative service that would significantly influence the future of the technical, logistics, and security sectors.

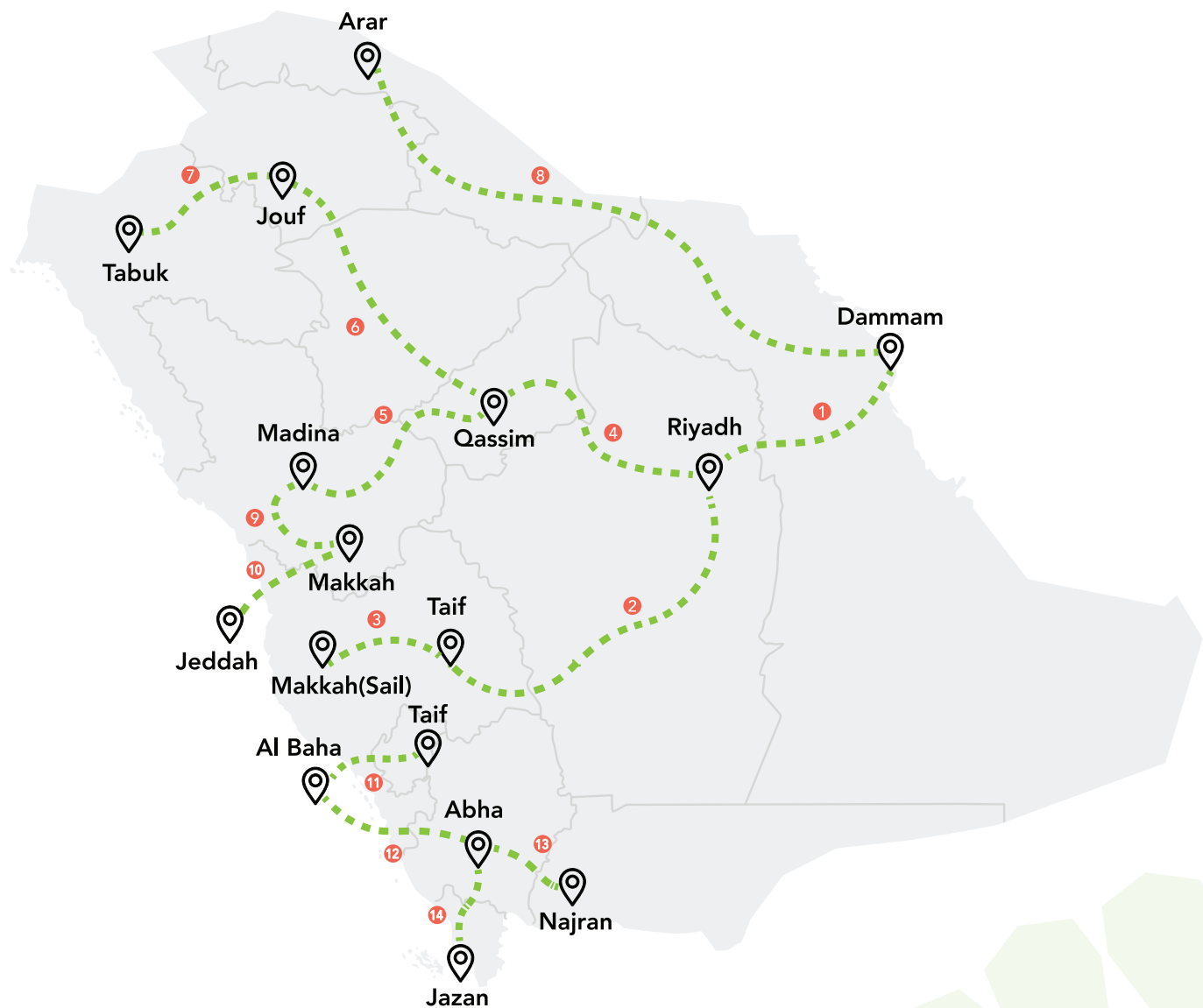
Digital Achievements 🌱

Zain KSA considers itself a strategic National Transformation Program partner and a key contributor to the program's goals for the telecommunications sector. The company has translated this vision by actively participating in developing the sector, where it has maintained its pioneer position with its 5G network – one of the largest in the region - which showcases Zain KSA's dedication to offering the latest and best technologies to its customers. This accomplishment is the result of diligent efforts that kicked off in July 2018, when Zain KSA launched the pilot phase of its 5G rollout and the first service station of its network in Riyadh. The company continued to establish and test additional 5G stations, which led to the commercial inauguration of the network in October 2019, where more than 2600 network towers covering 27 cities were installed, achieving a population coverage rate of 43%. Additionally, Zain KSA supported and implemented the Communications, Space and Technology Commission (CST)'s initiative of enabling "National Roaming for USF Areas" for all operators, enhancing customer experience and providing services on a wider national scale. Consistent with Zain KSA's strategy and commitment to drive the ICT sector forward, the company has completed the delivery of the "Sophia Project" 3rd phase, expanding the 5G network footprint to cover 53 cities through 5000+ towers and achieving a 5G population coverage rate of 63% and increasing the population coverage rates as below:



Zain KSA's expansion strategy

As part of its expansion strategy and in line with its commitment to provide an excellent user experience and support more use cases, Zain KSA introduced 4G to cover 14 highways across the Kingdom in 2022, which are listed below.



Zain KSA introduced 5G and 4G services in January 2022 to provide high-speed broadband connectivity (at least 50Mbps) for all:



Airports



Seaports



Land ports

Concerning operations and maintenance, the company embraces an effective and ideal model to manage its operations while ensuring maximum network efficiency, robust performance, quality services, and high customer satisfaction. Zain KSA relies on services managed in cooperation with skilled providers to manage all its network systems and IT systems throughout its critical operations and constantly ensures it is providing services of the highest possible quality and least possible cost. Over the last few years, the company's maintenance costs decreased as a result of the ongoing regional integration process for field operations as part of an agreement with a contracted seller as well as the convergence of the network management and IT department into one unit. Zain KSA also periodically reviews maintenance activities to reduce costs and improve service quality, as well as to enhance its capabilities in managing and maintaining the company's operations.

Zain KSA also participated extensively in reviewing and updating regulations for telecommunications and wireless telecom towers in cooperation with the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs, thus addressing a challenge that hindered the implementation of expansion projects to develop infrastructures in line with modern technologies and improve customer experiences. Additionally, Zain KSA finalized most pending issues regarding licensing mobile network towers and financial settlements for earlier durations in cooperation with the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology.



Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG)

Since its inception, the Corporate Sustainability Department has been one of Zain KSA's core departments. For Zain KSA, sustainability is rooted in the belief that contributing to the socio-economic development of the Kingdom creates value for all. Grounded on Saudi Vision 2030 goals and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Zain KSA's pillars have been set to enhance Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG) performance.



Climate change

- Keeping pace with efforts to address climate change, we developed practical plans to contribute to carbon dioxide emission reduction, operational cost reduction, and risk management.
- Zain was globally listed on the “Carbon Disclosure Project” CDP, becoming the top-ranked telecom operator in meeting the CDP standards across the Middle East and Africa in the fight against climate change, with an advanced rating in Management Scope ‘A-’, which is a classification for companies that disclose information on the environmental impact of their initiatives and operations combatting climate change.
- Launched the Um Al Shogog reforestation and rehabilitation campaign, covering 18 million square meters, for the second year in a row and in cooperation with the Environmental Green Horizons Society to increase the vegetation cover in the Kingdom, enhance biodiversity, conserve natural resources, and offset carbon emissions; Zain KSA was keen to apply its other values related to community, diversity, and inclusion in this initiative. Orphans and volunteers from “Kayan charity for Orphans” worked alongside Zain KSA employees to plant seedlings and trees in the park, aiming to turn the park into an attractive domestic ecotourism destination.
- Established and launched the first charging station for electric cars in Granada Business to encourage the use of electric cars to reduce carbon emissions
- Launched the “Recycle your device” initiative with the aim of recycling devices in partnership with the Communications, Space, and Technology Commission to contribute to achieving environmental sustainability, reducing emissions and e-waste, and reducing financial waste by recycling devices.

Operating Responsibly

Partnered with the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Development and the Communications, Space, and Technology Commission for ‘Yasserha’, an initiative aimed at supporting impoverished defaulting social security beneficiaries to pay their bills

Inclusion

- Continued to implement and expand the Women in Technology program for the second year in partnership with the Communications, Space, and Technology Commission to support women in the ICT technology sector to enter the workforce
- Held a workshop for its teams on the occasion of the International Day of Sign Language (IDSL) as part of its efforts to build a work environment that nurtures and engages people with disabilities
- Celebrated World Day for Cultural Diversity; Zain KSA employees wore traditional uniforms of their own cultures to promote the values of diversity and inclusion within Zain KSA’s environment. More than 500 employees from different countries and regions participated in the event.

Youth Empowerment

- Launched the Evolve Program to provide 100 graduates with one year of workplace training and skill development opportunities; This is within the framework of empowering young talent through a program designed specifically to train new graduates, develop their abilities and make them ready to start their career path efficiently.
- Signed an MoU with the University of Tabuk to promote collaboration in the areas of digital innovation and develop an integrated action plan that includes establishing a Research Chair; The plan also includes setting up a customer service branch for UT’s staff and students, in addition to providing job opportunities and training programs with specialized courses that help build students’ knowledge and professional capabilities.
- Sponsored the “Virtual Lab” 2022 competition within its partnership with MCIT’s ThinkTech initiative in the category of the digital strategic sponsor
- Launched the “Internet Monsters” campaign in cooperation with UNICEF to raise awareness about children’s online safety
- Launched the “Anti-Bullying” campaign to raise awareness on the issue
- Launched a campaign to raise awareness of the child helpline to support victims of bullying and organizing an event attended by over 400 children
- Organized a number of awareness campaigns and workshops focusing on various issues such as health, bullying, diabetes, breast cancer and employee burnout.

Governance

Corporate Governance

Zain KSA adopts a Corporate Governance framework that was developed based on the Companies Law as well as the Corporate Governance Regulations in addition to the local and international best practices. This framework is implemented by multiple stakeholders within Zain KSA and a dedicated Corporate Governance department is regularly enhancing the framework and monitoring compliance therewith.

Zain KSA governance framework clarifies the policies and guidelines for the Board of Directors, Executive Management, and stakeholders, and outlines consistent and credible communication practices for disclosure and transparency through investor relations management. It also illustrates the defense line model within the internal control system adopted by the Company's Board and Executive Management for independent oversight accountability, and the effectiveness of operations through internal audit departments, risk management and business continuity, where lines of defense are summarized as follows:

■ The First line of defense

Senior Management: Striking a balance between powers and authorities at the board level, senior executives and effective implementation of internal control through the adoption of relevant policies

■ The Second line of defense

Risk Management and Business Continuity: Implementing the Risk Management Framework and ensuring compliance with the level of risk approved by the Board of Directors

■ The Third line of defense

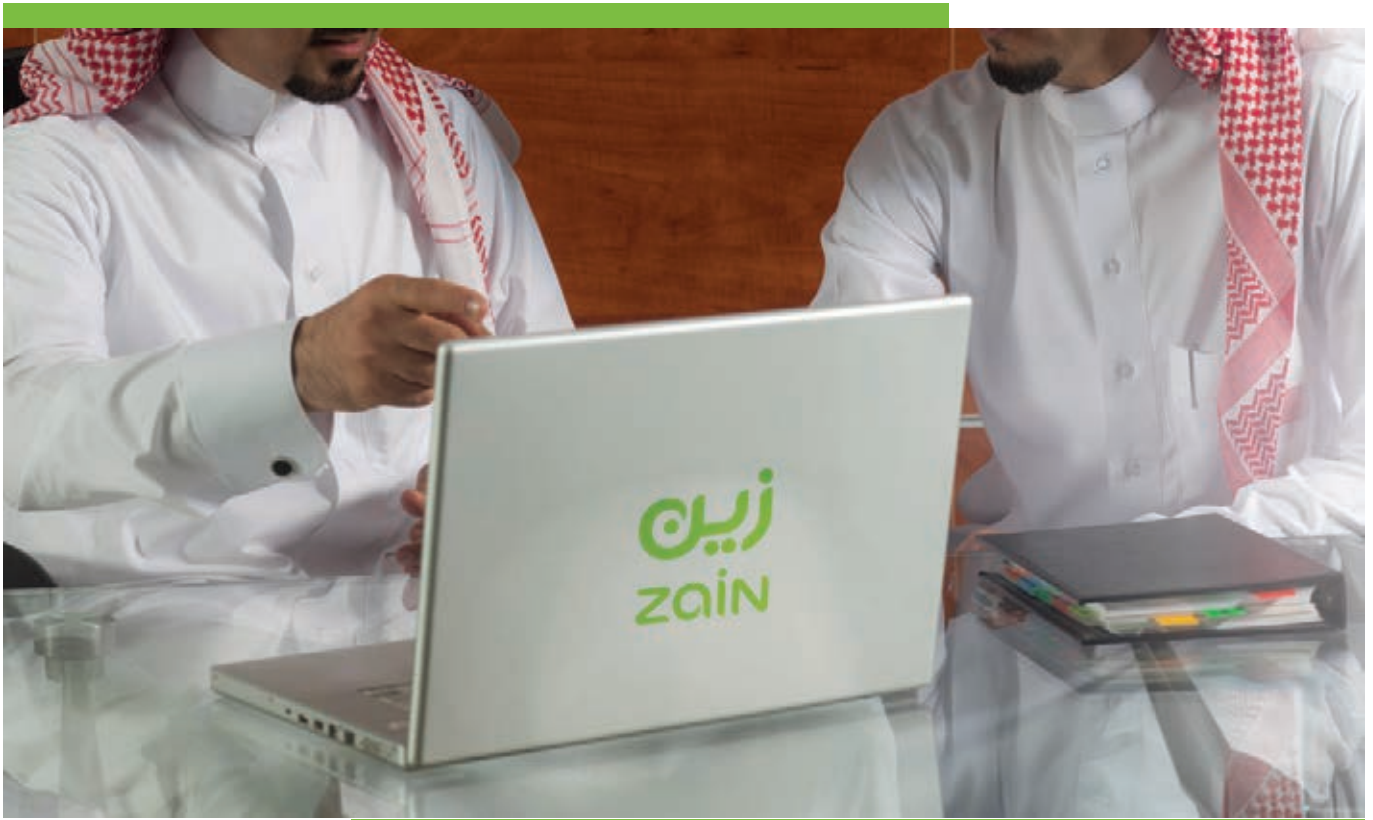
Internal and external audit: Submitting their recommendations and opinion on the adequacy of internal and financial control and risk management systems through the audit committee

Internal Control

The internal control system has an important role to play in the success of any organization. Accordingly, Zain KSA is committed to ensuring an effective internal control system to achieve regulatory objectives, asset protection, accurate internal and external reporting, risk reduction, and adherence to regulatory requirements.

The Audit Committee oversees the Internal Audit work, which periodically reviews the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control system to provide a continuous assessment of the system. The Committee also reviews the External Auditor's reports and management letter, which might include any lack of internal control noted by the External Auditor as part of their internal controls assessment.

Based on the above The Audit Committee also considers that the management position in general regarding internal control is positive, as the majority of activities are governed by written policies and procedures, and management reacts positively towards the recommended policies or improvements.



Enterprise Risk Management

Zain KSA remains committed to its formal, systematic, and structured process of managing risks across the organization. As such, it continues to update the ERM framework, policy, and processes for managing Zain KSA risk profiles. The framework is in accordance with the Corporate Governance Regulations issued by Capital Market Authority and in line with ISO 31000:2018 standards. The Board of Directors of Zain KSA continues to provide oversight responsibilities over the top risk profiles of Zain KSA.

Furthermore, Zain KSA has conducted yearly refresh exercises to identify risks that matter and assess their impacts on the achievement of company's objectives and reprioritize the risks based on the progress of mitigation and key risk indicators. The refresh exercise has been conducted in conjunction with the Zain Group Risk team. The top risks are tracked on a quarterly basis to monitor the progress of the risk mitigation plans and key risk indicators to identify risk trends and act where necessary to address any rising risk trends.

Zain KSA has, over the course of the year, followed both a top-down and bottom-up approach in identifying key risks that impact the organizational objectives. This was done to ensure that everyone in the Company is aware of the risks, and necessary actions were initiated to mitigate such risks thereby assuring they are systematically assessed, mitigated, and monitored, thus embedding the desired risk management culture within Zain KSA.

Below is a list of risks that have the most material impact on Zain KSA and how they are being mitigated:



Strategic Risk(s)

Pricing Pressures

Zain KSA continues to operate in a very competitive environment, and further floor prices have been recommended by the regulator that enables the incumbent to consolidate its market share. Moreover, the incumbent continues not to be designated 'Dominant Market Player' for 'Mobile' markets, which urges them to resort to aggressive pricing revisions, further intensifying competition in these markets.

In mitigating such risks, Zain KSA has adopted the use of business analytics for better profiling of customer requirements, cross-selling, and up-selling, as well as differentiating products and services through customization of services for different segments according to their needs and requirements. Zain KSA has embarked on customer centric programs, designing special bundles to enhance its customer experience

Successful implementation of the BSS Transformation program

Zain KSA's Digital BSS transformation program continues to pose a risk for the company. The controls and measures that top management has put in place have resulted in lowering the risk. Thus, failure to successfully implement the program resulting in failure to improve agility, time-to-market, and support the overall company's digital transformation program continues to be mitigated.

Zain KSA is moving forward with the implementation of the Digital BSS transformation program. Once completed, the program will contribute to enhancing the Company's agility and strengthening its presence in the market, while supporting its internal comprehensive digital transformation program. To ensure the successful digital transformation through the BSS program, Zain KSA's management has put in place controls and procedures to prioritize the project and support it with the necessary tools.



Financial Risk(s)

Macroeconomic Factors

Macroeconomic headwinds pose a downside risk which indicates an inability to maintain growth and telecom share of the wallet. Evolving macroeconomic factors such as an increase in inflation will have an impact on slower demand for new services. We expect Saudi Arabia's annual inflation rate to continue to rise. This could affect gross margins if price hikes are not exercised and may also reduce our cash position for investments.

Zain KSA is mitigating its risk through revenue-uplifting programs to maintain profitability, price uplifting of products, and analytics to identify upsell opportunities with a focus on B2B services. Moreover, the Company is identifying cross-sector value propositions to drive revenue growth as well as implementing continuous OPEX optimization programs.

Increasing Capex Burden

Zain KSA continues to invest in 5G technology to cater for the ever-increasing demand for broadband services. IoT-centric 5G use cases are still in their infancy and require a more localized approach to network planning, while the perception of broadband as a utility may undermine the premium pricing of 5G services. Zain KSA is containing any additional 5G capex investment within the Company envelope through smart investments. Moreover, capex projects continue to be self-funded through the company's operating cash flow and any excess cash generated through operations or working capital will cater for any increase in debt or shareholders' liability.

Supply Chain Disruptions

As the world recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic, supply chains around the world continue to be disrupted. Manufacturing hubs in China remain on lockdown, which has continued to disrupt manufacturing and shipping activities. Telcos are highly dependent on these manufacturing hubs for network components, spare parts, smart devices, routers, and mobile devices. With the continued semiconductor shortages and logistics challenges, delays in the arrival of server equipment are causing delays to several IT & Network projects. Additionally, with the sharp rise in demand for electronic goods, the current global shortage of semi-conductor chips is affecting the production of Smart devices, Telco & IT equipment, and handsets.

Zain KSA is mitigating its risks through a review of critical inventory, managed services, and suppliers. We are also identifying and engaging with alternative options for our most critical suppliers. We are engaging with our suppliers to get prioritized/pre-book capacity in preparation for supply resumption, and re-channeling inventories in transit.

Compliance Risk

Evolving Regulatory Regime

As Governments continue to drive the digital society through various initiatives and programs, regulators are expanding their legislation on emerging technologies such as Fiber and 5G. As such, the involvement of cross-industry regulators and government entities has resulted in an overlap of regulatory ambit, which may result in delays in launching new cross-industry solutions, and in regulatory non-compliance. Some of the recent directives / ongoing consultations that may impact the achievement of Zain's business plans include Open Access, FMC and WACC for interconnection. Zain KSA ensures its risks are mitigated by proactively responding to regulatory requests, developing relationships with external stakeholders, and proactively engaging with cross-sector industry ecosystems to have a greater understanding of industry-specific transformation and regulatory compliances requirements. Non-compliance with regulatory requirements (issued by CMA, CST, MCIT, NCA, etc.) may also expose Zain KSA to the risk of penalties and fines or suspension of license, or rating downgrade, which would result in higher volatility, weighing down on the share price and increasing cost of capital.

Zain KSA continues to implement various measures, controls, and strategies to enhance governance and compliance functions.

Data Governance & Privacy Risk

As the Kingdom gears up to regulate how data is classified, stored, and shared and how data privacy is addressed, the National Data Management Office (NDMO) has developed a framework for national data governance to set policies and regulations. Moreover, Personal Data Protection Laws (PDPL), which come into effect in March 2023, will regulate how businesses collect, process, and store personal data about individuals residing in the Kingdom. Telco operators must ensure compliance with these data governance regulations and data protection laws to ensure compliance and minimize data breaches. If personal data is well-managed and protected, not only will Zain KSA be able to win the trust of its customers but also maximize data monetization opportunities through customer insights while minimizing the risk of penalties from regulators and government agencies.

Zain KSA is mitigating its risks through various data governance and data privacy initiatives and projects. It has developed data protection and data governance frameworks, policies, and processes in collaboration with Zain Group. Zain KSA has conducted a current state assessment of its data management practices identifying gaps and addressing these gaps for improvement and continuous enhancements.

Operational Risk(s)

Information Security & Cyber Risks

Information security & cyber risks continue to cause growing concern for companies globally as cyber threats continue to advance and persist, while the rapidly shifting landscape in data extortion methods used by cyber-criminals continues to cause major concerns. With the continued proliferation of devices, interfaces and networks introducing a higher potential for security compromise and vulnerabilities associated with remote work, cyber security remains a top and urgent priority for most companies.

Zain KSA continues to mitigate its risks through regular internal and external assessments to ensure compliance with best practices and cybersecurity regulatory frameworks and standards, in addition to investing in multiple cybersecurity projects to mitigate new types of attacks and ensuing threats.

Through various projects and programs with Zain Group, Zain KSA continues to leverage and enhance its information security and cyber risk domains and knowledge. Moreover, Zain KSA participated in an annual Risk Synergy Forum, where Zain Group companies widely discuss specific approaches to enhancing enterprise risk management, information security and cyber risk strategies, knowledge, and mitigation plans.

Talent Management

As the Kingdom continues its transformation initiatives through Vision 2030 programs, with the participation of government ministries and semi-government organizations, there is a huge demand for skilled resources leading to attractiveness in joining government and semi-government sectors. Moreover, digital transformation strategies, apart from an overhaul of systems and processes, require a transformation of workforce capability and skills. Talent acquisition needs are pronounced in domains such as data science, IoT, RPA and software-based networks. As such, Zain KSA may not be able to achieve its desired objectives and operational effectiveness if it is unable to attract and retain key employees.

Mitigation strategies adopted by Zain KSA involved entering partnerships with universities to recruit resources with the right skill sets and continue to attract digital and technology talents by creating compelling value propositions, initiating retention efforts for critical talents through defining career paths, grooming through academies, learning opportunities and higher engagement.



Zain KSA's Board of Directors

The Board of Directors represents all shareholders and performs its duties in managing Zain KSA's affairs with care and loyalty. The Board undertakes all actions in the general interest of the Company and strives to develop it and maximize its value. In order to take on this sensitive role, the Board has the broadest powers in managing the Company and guiding its activities to achieve its strategic objectives.

About Zain KSA's Board of Directors

Zain KSA shall be managed by a Board composed of nine (9) members appointed by the General Assembly for a term not exceeding three (3) years and may always be reelected in compliance with the related laws and regulations.

Changes have occurred on the Zain Board of Directors. During its meeting held on April 20 ,2022 (Ramadan ,19 1443H), the Ordinary General Assembly of Zain KSA elected the Zain KSA Board of Directors for three years starting from April 26 ,2022 and shall end on April 25 ,2025. The Board of Directors comprised the following members during 2022:

#	Name	Membership Classification
1	HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al-Kabeer (Chairman)	Non-executive
2	Bader Nasser Al – Kharafi (Vice-chairman)	Non-executive
3	Ossama Michel Matta	Non-executive
4	Saud Abdullah Al-Bawardi	Independent
5	Martial Caratti	Non-executive
6	Firas Oggar	Non-executive
7	Kamil Hilali	Non-executive
8	Abdullah Fahad Al-Faris	Independent
9	Saad Bin Ibrahim Al-Mousa	Independent

The Board of Directors Meeting

Zain KSA Board of Directors held six Meetings during 2022. The following table includes meetings details of the Board of Directors throughout the year 2022:

Name		1 st meeting February 13, 2022	2 nd meeting April 17, 2022	3 rd meeting April 27, 2022	4 th meeting July 6, 2022	5 th meeting November 1, 2022	6 th meeting November 16, 2022	Total
1	HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al-Kabeer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
2	Bader Nasser Al-Kharafi	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	5
3	Ossama Michel Matta	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
4	Saud Abdullah al-Bawardi	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
5	Martial Anthony Caratti	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
6	Firas Oggar	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
7	Kamil Hilali	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	6
8	Abdullah Fahad Al-Faris	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
9	Saad Bin Ibrahim Al-Mousa	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
10	Raied Ali al-Saif	✓	✓	End of membership				2
11	Hisham Mohammed Mahmoud Attar	✓	✓	End of membership				2



Other Capacities of the Board Members

The following table lists the companies inside and outside the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in which the Board Members serve or have previously served as Board Members or Senior Executives:

Name	Current Board Memberships / Executive Roles in other Companies	Previous Board Memberships / Executive Roles in other Companies
HH Prince Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al Kabeer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairman of the Board of Directors at Almarai (Joint Stock Company) Board Member at Yamama Saudi Cement (Joint Stock Company) Chairman of the Board of Directors at Arabian Shield Cooperative Insurance Company (Joint Stock Company) Vice Chairman at Farabi Petrochemicals Company Board Member at Tarabot Investment & Development Company Board Member at Tejoury Company Chairman of the Board of Directors/ General Manager of Sultan Holdings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked at Saudi Fransi Bank Chairman and Board member at a number of leading local and international companies
Bader Nasser Al-Kharafi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice Chairman & Group CEO at Mobile Telecommunications Company KSCP (Zain Group Kuwait) Chairman of National Investments Company, Kuwait Vice-Chairman of the Board at Gulf Cable & Electrical Industries Co. KSCP, Kuwait Director of Group Executive Committee of Mohammed Abdulmohsin Al Kharafi & Sons since 2003 (Kuwait) Board Member at Gulf Bank KSCP since 2012 (Kuwait) Board member of the Atheer Telecommunications (Zain Iraq) Managing Director of Al-Khatem Telecommunications (Iraq) Vice-Chairman of Zain Sudan Chairman of the Board of the Executive Committee, Member of the Board of Nomination and Remuneration Committee of Kuwait Stock Exchange Company Member of the Advisory Board for the Middle East Region of the British Coutts Bank Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of "Injaz Foundation", a non-profit organization 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Executive member of Al-Khatem
Ossama Matta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chief Financial Officer at Mobile Telecommunications Company, KSCP, Kuwait Board member of Zain Sudan, Zain Iraq, INWI Morocco, and TASC Towers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PWC Senior Auditor Deloitte Senior Auditor General Accountant at the refugees' fund (Lebanon)
Saud bin Abdullah AlBawardi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chief Executive Officer at the United Commercial Company (Almuttahida) Member of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee of Al-Jouf Cement Company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board Member at National Gypsum Company (Joint Stock Company) Board Member of Falcom Chief Operating Officer at Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) Chief Commercial Officer at Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) Retail General Manager Chief Officer of Direct Sales at Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) Chief Communication Officer at Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA) Vice Regional President of Personal Finance for Aljazira Bank

Martial Anthony Caratti	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advisor to the Board in Telecom companies in UK and France 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Financial Officer at Oman Telecommunications Company (Omantel) • Chief Financial Officer at Ooredoo Tunisia Telecommunications Company • Chief Financial Officer at Car Europe Company
Firas Oggar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of Legal at Mobile Telecommunications Company, KSCP, Kuwait • Worked with legal Consultants' Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lawyer at Richard Polter law group • Legal advisor for the North African holding Company from 2007 until 2010 • Head of Legal at National Telecommunication Company from 2010 until 2012 • Head of Legal at Al Ghurair Group from 2015 until 2017 • Head of Legal at Foulath Holding B.S.C Bahrain from 2012 until 2015
Abdullah Fahad Al-Faris	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of Vision Realization Office at the Ministry of Industry • Member of The Board and Audit Committee at Marble Design Company 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Strategy Officer at one of the Public Investment Fund's subsidiaries • Vice Governor for Strategy at Small & Medium Enterprise General Authority • Head of Vision Realization Office at Ministry of Municipality, Rural Affairs & Housing
Saad Bin Ibrahim Al-Mousa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-Executive Member at Enma Alrwabi • Non-Executive Member at Flynas • Non-Executive Member at Ashmor Saudi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jisr Technology – Information technology • Real Estate Development – Saaf International
Kamil Hilali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief officer of Zain Global Connect • Chief Strategy Officer of the Mobile Telecommunications Company, KSCP, Kuwait • Board member in INWI Morocco and TASC Towers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance and Business Planning Manager of the Mobile Telecommunications Company, KSCP, Kuwait • Senior Investment Manager in the Private Equity Division of North Africa Holding Company • Board Member in two subsidiaries of the Kuwait Projects Company • Director of Asset Management at Co & JPMorgan Chase

The Board of Directors Committees

Zain KSA Board of Directors has two committees, which are the Audit Committee, and the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, where each committee has its own Roles and Responsibilities, Work Procedure, Appointed Procedure and nominate roles, term duration, and remunerations.

The Audit Committee

The Audit Committee is composed of three (3) members appointed by the General Assembly for a term not exceeding three (3) years and may always be reelected in compliance with the related laws and regulations. Changes have occurred to the Audit Committee during 2022, when the Ordinary General Assembly of Zain KSA elected the Zain KSA Audit Committee members in its meeting that was held on April 20, 2022, (Ramadan 19, 1443H) for three (3) years starting from April 26, 2022, and shall end on April 25, 2025. The Audit Committee composition during 2022:

#	Name	Capacity
1	Martial Caratti	Chairman
2	Ossama Matta	Member
3	Georges Pierre	Member*

* Mr. Georges Pierre has been nominated by the general assembly on April 20, 2022 as an AC member to replace Mr. Raied Alsaif. Mr. Georges Pierre resigned for personal reasons and Mr. Saud Albawardi has been nominated by the Board on July 6, 2022, as an AC member to replace on Mr. Georges Pierre

Audit Committee Roles and Responsibilities

The Audit Committee in 2022 oversaw the efficiency and effectiveness of internal controls at Zain KSA. To assess that, a number of meetings were held during 2022 with the Internal Audit General Manager, Senior Management, and External Auditor. This section briefly introduces the Committee's roles and responsibilities, composition, and the meetings conducted. The main responsibilities of the Audit Committee are outlined as follows:

- Assist the Board of Directors in its evaluation of the adequacy and efficiency of the internal and financial control systems, accounting practices, information systems, and auditing processes applied within the Company.
- Review and monitor the Company's management, Internal Auditors, External Auditors and the Company's finance policies to reasonably assure the adequacy of accounting principles and financial practices applied.
- Review and discuss the accounting policies adopted and any changes made to them, and submit recommendations and views to the Board of Directors.
- Review and analyze the interim (quarterly) and annual financial statements prior to presenting them to the Board of Directors to take their recommendations thereon and ensure the integrity, fairness and transparency of the statements.
- Nominate and recommend the appointment of External Auditors and their remuneration, and monitor their effectiveness.
- Supervise and monitor the Company's Internal Audit department to verify its effectiveness in performing the duties and tasks assigned to it.
- Review the effectiveness of the system in monitoring compliance as per applicable laws and regulations, including company governance regulations, the results of management's investigation, and any instances of non-compliance.
- Approve the Internal Audit charter as well as Internal Audit policies and procedures.
- Meet individually and periodically with the Internal Audit General Manager to discuss any matters that the Audit Committee or the Internal Audit General Manager may consider necessary.

The Audit Committee Meetings

The following table includes meetings details of the Audit Committee throughout the year 2022:

	Name		27 th January 2022	13 th April 2022	7 th July 2022	31 th October 2022	
1	Raied Alsaif	Ex-Chairman*	✓	✓	End of Membership		2
2	Martial Caratti	Chairman**	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
3	Ossama Matta	Member	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
4	Saud Albawardi	Member*	NA	NA	✓	✓	2

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** Mr. Martial Caratti, has been nominated as the chairman of the Audit Committee and Mr. Saud Abdulaziz Alshetwey, has been nominated as the Secretary of the Audit Committee on July 7, 2022.

External Audit

The Audit Committee evaluated the proposals of External Auditors and provided recommendations to the Board of Directors to nominate an External Auditor for the Company. After evaluation of all proposals with consideration of experience and qualifications, Ernst & Young & Co. (EY) and Dr. Mohamed Al- Amri & Co. (BDO) were recommended on March 17, 2022, to the Board to present this recommendation to the Annual General Assembly to select one of them as an external auditor. The General Assembly, held on April 20, 2022, selected Ernst & Young & Co. (EY) to be the External Auditor to review and audit the Company's quarterly financial statements for the second, third, and fourth quarters of 2022, the annual statement of the year 2022, and the first quarter of 2023.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee is composed of three (3) members who were reappointed by the Board of Directors of Zain KSA in its meeting held on April 27, 2022, (Ramadan 19, 1443), for a three-year term which started on April 27, 2022, and will end on April 25, 2025.

#	Name	Capacity
1	Saud Albawardi	Chairman
2	Ossama Matta	Member
3	Kamil Hillali	Member

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee

Roles and Responsibilities

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee is composed of three members who were appointed by the Board of Directors. It plays a significant role in assisting the Board of Directors to meet the regulatory requirements relating to sensitive matters such as the nomination, remunerations and performance review of the Board of Directors and Executive Management. This scope shall be subject to Article 21 (b) of the Corporate Governance Regulations.

This section details the Committee's main responsibilities and composition and the meetings convened during 2022. The Committee's responsibilities include the Corporate Governance Regulations issued by the CMA in addition to other responsibilities assigned to it by the Board.

The main responsibilities of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Preparing a clear policy for the remuneration of members of the Board of Directors and the committees emanating from the Board and the Executive Management, and submitting them to the Board of Directors for consideration in preparation for approval by the General Assembly, taking into account in this policy the following standards related to performance, disclosing them, following up their application and verifying their implementation.
- Clarifying the relationship between the remunerations granted and the applicable policy and indicating any material deviation from this policy; conducting a periodic review of the remuneration policy and evaluation of its effectiveness in achieving its objectives; and recommending to the Board of Directors the remuneration of the members of the Board of Directors, the committees emanating from it, and the heads of sectors of the Company, in accordance with the approved policy.
- Preparing a description of the capabilities and qualifications required for membership in the Board of Directors and for filling executive management positions in the Company; reviewing the structure of the Board of Directors, subordinate committees and executive management, and submitting recommendations regarding the changes that can be made.
- Determining the time that the member should allocate to the work of the Board of Directors; determining the strengths and weaknesses of the Board of Directors, and proposing solutions to address them in line with the Company's interest.
- Checking on an annual basis the independence of the independent Board members and ensuring the absence of any conflicts of interest if a Board member also acts as a member of the Board of Directors of another company; performing an annual review on suitable skills required for membership of the Board and for the appointment of senior executives.
- Recommending to the Board of Directors to nominate its members and re-nominate them in accordance with the approved policies and criteria, taking into account not to nominate any person who has the symptoms of candidacy; proposing clear policies and standards for membership in the Board of Directors and executive management.
- Establishing job descriptions for executive members, non-executive members, independent members and senior executives; establishing special procedures in case there is a vacant position within the membership of the Board or with senior executives.
- Recommending to the Board of Directors to dismiss and accept the resignation of the heads of sectors in the Company.
- Recommending to the Board of Directors to provide adequate training and support to the CEO.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee Meetings

The following table includes the composition and the details of the meetings of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee throughout 2022:

	Name	Capacity	15 February 2022	20 March 2022	
1	Kamil Hilali	Member	✓	✓	2
2	Hisham Attar	Ex-Chairman*	✓	✓	2
3	Ossama Matta	Member	NA	NA	0
4	Saud Albawardi	Chairman*	NA	NA	0

* Mr. Saud Albawardi has been nominated by the Board of Directors on 27 April 2022 as a "Nomination and Remuneration Chairman" to replace Mr. Hisham Attar.

Zain KSA Leadership

The Board of Director

HH Prince Naif bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al-Kabeer – Chairman of the Board

A prominent businessman with extensive expertise in vital fields such as general investments, petrochemicals, foodstuffs, insurance, wholesale, and retail, among others. HH serves in several leading positions, including Chairman in many conglomerates, one of which is the renowned company Almarai. HH also chairs and serves as a member on the boards of several other establishments, including Alyamama Cement Company, Farabi Gulf Petrochemicals Company, the ArabianShield Insurance Company, Tarabot Investment and Development, and the Global Co. for Downstream Industries (GDI), as well as serving as Chairman of the Board and General Manager for Sultan Holding Co. HH Prince Naif holds a BSc in Business Administration (Marketing) from King Saud University.



Bader bin Nasser Al-Kharafi – Vice Chairman of the Board

Bader Al-Kharafi was appointed as Vice Chairman of Zain KSA in October 2015. Within Zain, he has held several key positions, most notably serving as Vice Chairman of Zain Group, Kuwait since February 2014, and Group CEO since March 2017, after having joined the Group's Board of Directors in April 2011. He is a board member of Atheer Telecommunications Iraq (Zain Iraq) and Managing Director of Al-Khatem Telecommunications Company, an Iraq-based joint-stock company since September 2013 and Chairman of Zain Sudan.

Additionally, Mr. Al-Kharafi is also the Chairman of the Board of the Executive Committee, Member of the Board of Nomination and Remuneration Committee of Kuwait Stock Exchange Company; Vice-Chairman of Kuwait based Gulf Cables & Electrical Industries KSC, and a Board member of Gulf Bank Kuwait, one of the Kuwait's largest financial institutions. In early 2014, Mr. Al-Kharafi was appointed as a member of the Middle East Advisory Board of Coutts, the wealth division of the Royal Bank of Scotland Group. He is also the Vice Chairman of the Board of Injaz, Kuwait, a non-profit organization aimed at the development of youth in the region. Mr. Al-Kharafi is currently the Director of Group Executive Committee of Mohammed Abdulmohsin Al Kharafi & Sons since 2003 (Kuwait) and Chairman of National Investments Company, Kuwait.

Mr. Al-Kharafi holds an Executive MBA from London Business School and a Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Kuwait University.



Ossama Michel Matta – Member of the Board

Ossama Matta has a track record spanning more than 23 years of solid financial and managerial experience in the Middle East. Joining Zain Group in 2004, he was first appointed as CFO of Zain's Lebanon subsidiary, mtc touch, before being appointed as CFO of Zain Kuwait in 2007 and then as CFO of Zain Group, Middle East in 2008, and, eventually, as Zain Group CFO, as of June 2010. Furthermore, Mr Matta is a board member of Zain Sudan, Zain Iraq, INWI Morocco and TASC Towers.

He plays a critical role in Zain Group's senior executive management team and the execution of the Group's growth strategy working closely with all Zain country operations, as well as managing the Group's financial, investment and investor relations departments. Alongside his leadership skills, Mr. Matta has extensive experience in corporate finance. He has effectively contributed to securing more than \$25 billion in loans since joining Zain. He has overseen and led M&A operations, identifying strategic areas of cooperation and expansion. Mr. Matta also has deep expertise in key financial analytics, including project valuation, business valuation, options valuation and hedging against interest rate risk. He is a strong advocate of corporate governance and transparency.

Mr. Matta holds an Executive MBA (Emphasis in Finance, Strategic Management, and Project Management) and a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon, and is a Certified Public Accountant.



Saud bin Abdullah Al-Bawardi – Member of the Board

Saud Al-Bawardi served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Zain KSA until the end of 2015. He has over 20 years of experience in telecommunications and banking. Mr. Al-Bawardi also holds several leadership positions, including being a Member of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee of Al-Jouf Cement Company and Chairman of both the Excellent Foods Company and the Smart Parking Company. He holds an MBA in International Business from the Swiss Business School, Zurich, Switzerland, alongside a BSc in Media from King Saud University.

**Martial Anthony Caratti – Member of the Board**

Caratti has over 30 years of experience in the telecommunications industry in the Middle East and Europe. Caratti began his career in 1986 at NCR France. He continued his career in communications in France, where he served as Chief Financial Officer at a subsidiary of France Telecom from 1992 to 1996. In 1996, he became France Telecom Group's Controller of customer branches and Financial Director at Itineris, part of France Telecom at the time, currently Orange Group. He also served as Vice President of the Finance-Content division at Orange Group London from 2000 to 2004 and as Vice President of Finance and the Operations-Content division at Orange Group France from 2005 to 2006. Mr. Caratti held the position of the Head of Financial Management at Tunisia's telecom operator, Ooredoo Telecom from 2008 to 2015. He holds a BA in Finance and Accounting from ESLSA University in Paris.

**Firas Oggar – Member of the Board**

Joining Zain Group in 2017 as Head of Legal, Firas Oggar has extensive experience in legal affairs. He received several certificates, including his accreditation as a qualified lawyer at the Paris Bar after taking oath at the Court of Appeal of Paris in 2003, and as an accredited lawyer from the University of Paris' Law Faculty, France, in 2001. He also holds a certificate in English law from UK Warwick University's School of Law in 1999.

Prior to joining Zain Group, Mr. Oggar held several senior management positions, including serving as Head of Legal at Foulath Holding Company (Bahraini Public Joint Stock Company) between 2012 and 2015 and as Group General Counsel at Al Ghurair Investment Group between 2015 and 2017. Mr. Oggar holds a Master's degree in International and European Law from the University of Lille, France, and a Master's degree in International Business Law from the University of Paris, France.



Kamil Hilali – Member of the Board

Kamil Hilali is Chief Strategy Officer at Zain Group and has over 18 years of experience and a member of the Board of INWI Morocco and TASC Towers.

With a proven track record in developing corporate strategy as well as his versatile business leadership capacities, he is managing Zain Group's '4Sight' strategy encompassing digital transformation, ICT and B2B development, digital infrastructure, wholesale, business development, and mergers and acquisitions. Before joining Zain, he worked for North Africa Holding Company as a Senior Investment Manager.

Mr. Hilali graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering at the National School of Mineral Industry, Morocco, attained a Master of Business Administration from Suffolk University in Boston MA, USA, and a Master's in Finance from London Business School, UK.

**Eng. Abdullah Fahad Al-Faris**

Eng. Abdullah Alfaris is the Head of Vision Realization Office at the Ministry of Industry and Mineral Resources and has extensive experience in Government and Private Sectors in the field of Strategy, Transformation, Corporate Governance and Change Management. He is a Member of The Board and Audit Committee at Marble Design Company and holds several leadership positions as a Chief Strategy Officer at one of the Public Investment Fund's subsidiaries, Vice Governor for Strategy at Small & Medium Enterprise General Authority and Head of Vision Realization Office at Ministry of Municipality, Rural Affairs & Housing.

Al-Faris holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA) from Prince Sultan University and Bachelor's Degree (BSc) in Electrical Engineering, Communication & Technology from King Saud University.

**Saad bin Ibrahim Al-Moussa**

Saad bin Ibrahim AlMoussa is considered one of the pioneers in the world of business and finance, with over 20 years in the field. He has managed companies across multiple sectors, including IT, Telecommunications, services industry, financial investments, and real estate. His expertise includes founding and restructuring companies as well as the management of their economic and financial affairs, and his knowledge extends to establishing and structuring investment funds. As a visionary leader who has laid the foundation for many commercial entities in different fields, AlMoussa is passionate about bold investments, strategic planning, and finding the best frameworks for investing in human capital.

Currently serving as the Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors at Enma Alrwabi, Al-Moussa is also a member of several other Boards, including Flynas Company and Ashmore Saudi Arabia.

Al-Moussa holds a Bachelor's Degree in Information Systems from the College of Computer and Information Sciences, King Saud University.



Executive Management

Eng. Sultan Bin Abdulaziz Al-Deghaither – Chief Executive Officer

Eng. Sultan Bin Abdulaziz Al-Deghaither serves as the Chief Executive Officer of the Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (Zain KSA), Vice Chairman and Managing Director of Tamam Financing Company (Tamam), and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of PLAYHERA MENA esports company.

He possesses a track record of 18 years of achievements and expertise in executive, operational, and technical management and has led several trailblazing projects that positioned Zain KSA as the leading telecom operator of choice in the Kingdom.

Al-Deghaither has championed the Company's financial and operational transformation, tripled the market value and extinguished more than SAR 2 billion of accumulated losses which positioned Zain KSA among the 12 top-ranking brands in the Kingdom.

Al-Deghaither was deeply involved in developing and advancing the Company's networks within the Kingdom. In 2019, he led the roll-out of the fourth largest 5G network in the world and the largest 5G network in the Middle East, Europe, and Africa.

He has also articulated a strategic vision for Zain KSA's business sector, promoting large-scale investment in innovative technologies and digital solutions and services, ranging from cloud computing to future 5G applications, such as Internet of Things (IoT), Artificial Intelligence (AI), blockchain, and drones.

Al-Deghaither has managed Zain KSA's transformational process from a telecom company to an integrated digital ecosystem that served as a key pillar for the emergence and growth of a variety of new technology sectors in the Kingdom. In 2022, he led the strategic partnership between Zain KSA and PLAYHERA which led to the establishment of PLAYHERA MENA.

With his extensive experience, Al-Deghaither was able to advance the FinTech sector in the Kingdom and launched Tamam Financing as the first consumer micro-financing entity in the Kingdom and the Middle East. He supervised its expansion and operational plan, reaping record profits in a short term.

Eng. Al-Deghaither's leadership approach is characterized by the application of the values of inclusion and diversity at Zain KSA. Under his leadership, the Company has witnessed Saudi women empowerment at the leadership level enhancing their presence in the telecommunications sector and achieving gender equality.

Al-Deghaither has been ranked among the ten best CEOs in the telecommunications sector out of more than 700 CEOs of companies listed in the GCC. He holds a bachelor's degree in Telecommunications and Electrical Engineering from King Saud University and an Advanced Management Program Degree from IESE.



Eng. Saad Al-Sadhan – Chief Business and Wholesale Officer

Eng. Saad Al-Sadhan has held the position of Chief Business and Wholesale Officer since July 2018. In this role, Al-Sadhan is responsible for Zain KSA's wholesale business and the end-to-end management of its carrier customers and suppliers globally. He strives to improve the Company's network capabilities through strategic investments to continually meet both retail and wholesale demand.

As a substantial contribution to Zain, Eng. Al-Sadhan played a key role in launching Zain Cloud, which is based in the Kingdom to enhance the capabilities of the business sector, to achieve big data capacity, and process it quickly with enhanced responsiveness.

Eng. Al-Sadhan joined Zain KSA in July 2016 as Wholesale Senior Director. He previously served as the Executive General Manager within the Wholesale Commercial Department at major telecom companies in the Kingdom. Prior to that, he served as Communication Engineer at Ericsson.

Eng. Al-Sadhan has 18 years of experience in the telecommunications industry and holds a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals (KFUPM), and a general management program certificate from Institut Européen d'Administration des Affaires "INSEAD" ..



Mehdi Khalfaoui – Chief Financial Officer

Mehdi Khalfaoui joined Zain KSA as Chief Financial Officer in February 2017, where he contributed to delivering strategic improvements in profitability and a strategic refocus on commercial investment and enhanced cash liquidity together with improved capital structure. Khalfaoui has international ICT sector experience in various areas within the telecommunications industry, namely: Financial Management, Performance Monitoring, Budgeting and Planning, Treasury, and Corporate Finance. He has occupied several roles within Zain Group since 2009, where he succeeded in achieving transformation in terms of cost optimization and reducing operational expenses.

Prior to joining Zain KSA, Khalfaoui held key strategic roles with leading international telecom companies, where he served as Budget & Planning Analyst for Orascom Telecom and as Financial Analyst for SGCIB. Khalfaoui holds a master's degree in Corporate Finance from INSEEC and a Professional Learning Experience Degree from Harvard Business School for the Program of Leadership Development.



Eng. Abdulrahman Al-Mufadda – Chief Technology Officer

As the Chief Technology Officer of Zain KSA since February 2019, Eng. Abdulrahman Al-Mufadda leads the Company's development teams and oversees technology and digital innovation development. Eng. Al-Mufadda has successfully led his team in implementing Zain KSA's strategy in the deployment of the 5G network across the Kingdom, achieving the most significant local and regional accomplishment of its kind, which has yielded the expansion of the Company's services, solutions, and innovations offered, such as Augmented and Virtual Reality technologies (AR & VR), Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, and more. Eng. Al-Mufadda further contributed to implementing Project Reload, one of the biggest projects in Zain KSA's history, and the USF Broadband Project, both of which are part of the 2020 National Transformation Program.

Eng. Al-Mufadda initially joined Zain KSA as Planning Delivery Manager in 2013 before assuming several managerial roles leading up to his current position. Eng. Al-Muffada brings 19 years of experience in the telecommunications industry, where prior to joining Zain KSA, he held several senior technical positions, most notably, as R&D Engineer and as Project Manager within Ericsson Group.

Eng. Al-Mufadda is a certified Project Management Professional and holds a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from King Saud University, and a general management program certificate from Institut Européen d'Administration des Affaires "INSEAD".



Eng. Maher Al-Fawaz – Chief Sales and Distribution Officer

Eng. Maher Al-Fawaz has served as Zain KSA's Chief Sales and Distribution Officer since September 2019. As an incumbent in this position, Eng. Al Fawaz took part in expanding and promoting Zain KSA's distribution and market share and registering innovative channels for sales solutions.

Eng. Al-Fawaz has substantial experience in Network Engineering and Customer Care Services. During his tenure at Zain KSA, he applied his expertise to drive the Company's network development, customer care, and call center operations enhancement.

Eng. Al-Fawaz initially joined Zain KSA as Capacity Manager back in 2013. He has also previously held the position of Chief Engineer in the network sector.

Eng. Al-Fawaz holds a Bachelor's Degree in Electrical Engineering from King Saud University and an MBA from Prince Sultan University.

**Rayan Al-Turki – Chief Communication Officer**

Rayan Al-Turki has served as Zain KSA's Corporate Communication Officer since June 2021. As a marketing strategist with over 19 years of experience in marketing, communication, and branding, Al-Turki has contributed to the effective integration of Zain KSA's business units with its communication campaigns. Ever since he joined the Company as Vice President of Communication in November 2018, he has led Zain's marketing strategy during the launch of its services and investments in futuristic technologies.

Al-Turki held several executive roles in both the private and public sectors, most notably as General Manager of Marketing at the Ministry of Transport, along with other leading organizations, including Careem and the Ministry of Commerce and Investment.

Al-Turki holds an MBA from the US-based Rochester Institute of Technology, a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science from King Saud University, and a General Management Program certificate from Harvard Business School.

**Tiago Rocha da Silva – Chief Marketing Officer**

Tiago Rocha da Silva joined Zain KSA as Chief Marketing Officer in September 2020. Through his role, da Silva leads the Company's commercial digital transformation to provide customers with the best CX journey and innovative products and services and ultimately position Zain KSA as the leading digital services provider in the Kingdom. Tiago Rocha brings to Zain KSA over 13 years of experience in Marketing, S&D strategies, brand positioning, customer experience, and digital transformation. His previous roles include Chief Manager at Oliver Wyman, Senior Engagement Manager at Delta Partners, Executive Board Member at Emerge Solutions Group, and Marketing and Strategy Planning Director at Movitel.

Da Silva holds a Business Administration degree and an Executive MBA from ISCTE Business School.



Eng. Salah Al-Ghamdi – Vice President, Adjacent Markets

Eng. Al-Ghamdi has served as Vice President for Adjacent Markets at Zain KSA since November 2016. He had a pivotal role in Zain KSA's digital transformation journey and participated in setting the Company's strategies and execution plans, particularly through utilizing drones and adopting new digital business models in several sectors, including financial technology. Eng. Al-Ghamdi also worked on developing electronic channels, business intelligence, as well as big data capability and its supporting infrastructure. Eng. Al-Ghamdi has acquired 20 years of experience in marketing, finance, and communications. Prior to joining Zain KSA, he held senior roles at several of the Kingdom's telecom providers and global companies such as, Ericsson, Nokia, and Takamol Holding. Eng. Al-Ghamdi holds a master's degree in Engineering Entrepreneurship and Innovation from McMaster University in Hamilton, Canada, and a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from King Saud University.

**Eng. Maha Al Qernas – Vice President, Business & Fulfilment**

Eng. Maha Al Qernas serves as the Vice President of Business and Fulfilment in Zain KSA as of June 2021. Before being named VP, Al Qernas was the Business and Fulfilment General Manager and was responsible for all of the Company's Business Support Systems, including end-to-end channels management, products, and services implementations. She also headed the Technology division and played a key role in the continued development of strategic projects ensuring flexibility in response to an increasingly demanding marketplace.

Eng. Al Qernas has led several projects that positioned Zain KSA as the leading telecom operator, and she is deeply involved in the development and expansion of the Company's IT and Business support systems transformation.

Eng. Al Qernas holds a Bachelor's Degree in Information Technology from King Saud University, MBA from Al-Yamamah University, a Digital Leadership certificate from INSEAD and a Corporate Finance certificate from Washington University.

**Loluwah AlNowaiser – Vice President, Human Resources**

Loluwah AlNowaiser was entrusted to lead the HR Division as the Vice President of HR, in November 2021. She leads the Talent Management Department, including Manpower Planning, Talent Acquisition, and Training and Development, as well as creating clear career paths to provide the Company with a sustainable competitive advantage. She also leads the compensation and benefits, and HR operations to enhance the employee experience within the Company, in addition to improving the internal HR Policies, and ensuring compliance with governmental and organizational regulations.

AlNowaiser started her career with Zain KSA in 2014 and occupied several management roles in planning and development; the last of which was her role as the Talent Management General Manager. Before joining Zain KSA, AlNowaiser had occupied a vital role in the HR Division at a major international trading corporation, PEPSICO.

AlNowaiser holds a bachelor's degree in Human Resources Management from King Saud University, alongside several accredited training certificates in HR, and business management.



Fabricio Martinez – Vice President, Strategy & Transformation

Fabricio Martinez was appointed as Vice President, Strategy & Transformation on July 1st, 2021, and he is responsible for Zain's strategy, transformation, programs, and supporting business excellence. More recently, he was appointed to lead Zain's digital transformation. He joined Zain KSA in 2018, leading the Company's main programs, such as the launch of the 5G network in 2019 and customer experience in 2020.

Martinez is a telecoms executive with 20+ years of work experience in the Middle East, Africa, and Europe, and has global exposure in consulting, networks, and business modelling for the mobile industry with a focus on emerging technologies and services. He has occupied different roles in consulting, business development, and strategy and CAPEX/OPEX efficiency programs.

Martinez holds a Masters in Strategic Direction of ICT from Universidad Politécnica de Madrid.

**Eng. Abdulaziz Al-Subaie – Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Compliance**

Eng. Abdulaziz Al-Subaie is Zain KSA's Vice President of Regulatory Affairs and Compliance, since July 2021. Through his role, Al-Subaie provides regulatory support and manages the Company's affairs with the Regulatory Authorities at MCIT and CST, ensuring compliance with regulatory decisions and company license obligations to facilitate the rollout of Zain KSA's digital services.

Eng. Al-Subaie joined Zain KSA in May 2008 as a Core CS Engineer, holding several positions, including Core Quality Supervisor in 2011, Roaming, Interconnect and Government Network Manager in 2014, and Service Operations General Manager in 2018. Eng. Al-Subaie has 15 years of experience at the Company, and he contributed to several key projects, the most recent of which are the 5G network deployment project, Reload Project, the Zain External DPI project, the SS7 Firewall Deployment project, and the Network Virtualization project.

Eng. Al-Subaie holds a Bachelor's Degree in Electronics & Communications Engineering obtained from King Saud University in 2008.

**Eng. Fawaz Al-Homoud – Vice President, Enterprise Risk and Information Security**

Eng. Fawaz Al-Homoud was appointed as Vice President of Enterprise Risk and Information Security in December 2021 and is currently responsible for creating and implementing information security policies and procedures.

Eng. Al-Homoud brings over 16 years of experience in cybersecurity managerial and technical positions where he specialized in building cybersecurity strategies. Before joining Zain KSA, Eng. Al-Homoud held senior management positions in several public and private enterprises across a variety of sectors. He served as Senior Manager of IT Security at Qiddiya Investment Company and, before that, held several positions at Saudi Aramco, including as Head of Corporate Red Team Group and Head of Network Security Group, in addition to several other positions in other institutions.

Eng. Al-Homoud holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Engineering from King Fahd University of Petroleum & Minerals, and master's degree in Business Administration (MBA) from the Open University of Malaysia (OUM), and a master's degree in Info Sec from Georgia Tech.



Investor Relations

Zain KSA has a dedicated team to manage the relations with shareholders and investors in order to meet the requirements of local and global investors, respond to their inquiries, and take their comments and suggestions. The team works to manage market expectations and provide a comprehensive disclosure of all relevant information. The importance of investor relations comes to achieve Saudi Vision 2030's goals of diversifying the economy, opening the financial market to foreign investors, and promoting Investor Relations best practices in line with the inclusion of the Saudi stock market in global indices. This is in continuation of the pioneering role played by the Capital Market Authority (CMA) and the Saudi Capital Market (Tadawul).

The Investor Relations function works to have proactive communication with the financial community and build effective relationships with all stakeholders. It initiates a dialogue between the Board and CEO on the investors' perceptions and expectations, as it provides several channels of communication including mail at (investor.relations@sa.zain.com) and telephone calls at (+966-59-244-8888), as well as attending local and international conferences.

The Investor Relations department receives suggestions, remarks, or inquiries from shareholders or investors relating to the Company and its performance, and updates the Board of Directors and the Executive Management on them in order to take the necessary actions - if needed - that serve the best interests of the Company and protects the rights of its shareholders.



Substantial Shareholders

The following table includes information related to substantial investors who own 5% or more of the Company's shares and their respective shareholding details during 2022:

	Substantial Shareholder	As of January 1, 2022		As of December 31, 2022		Net change (Shares)	Change %
		No. of Shares	Ownership %	No. of Shares	Ownership %		
1	Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C.P	332,935,919	37.045%	332,935,919	37.045%	0	0

Shareholders' Meetings

The table below includes the detailed record of Zain KSA's Board of Directors' attendance of The Ordinary General Assembly Meeting held on April 20, 2022 (Ramadan 19, 1443) at 22:30:

The General Assembly Meeting was held at the Company's HQ in Riyadh. The shareholders attended remotely (via modern technology means)

#	Name
1	HH Prince Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Alkabeer
2	Bader Nasser Alkharafi
3	Raied Ali Al Seif
4	Saud Abdullah Al-Bawardi
5	Hisham Mohammed Attar
6	Ossama Michel Matta
7	Kamil Hilali
8	Firas Oggar
9	Martial Caratti

Compliance

Zain KSA, represented by Compliance and Regulatory Affairs, seeks to improve legislative and regulatory commitment. Incorporating compliance processes in the company's business, the department seeks to provide a supportive environment to apply the regulations and legislation, ensuring that the risks of non-compliance are avoided and that full regulatory compliance is achieved. Compliance and Regulatory Affairs manages all the functions and operations of organizational support and management of the company's affairs, with the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology and the Communications, Space and Technology Commission (CST), to ensure compliance with regulatory decisions in accordance with the licensing granted to the company and facilitating access to and dissemination of Zain KSA digital services.

Shareholders' Book

The Company requested a total of 15 shareholder registers during the year 2022 in order to analyze and interact with investors and answer their inquiries. Details of such requests are shown in the below table:

#	Date of request	Date of shareholder register
1	11-01-2022	31-12-2022
2	03-02-2022	02-02-2022
3	01-03-2022	28-02-2022
4	12-04-2022	31-03-2022
5	17-04-2022	20-04-2022
6	12-06-2022	31-05-2022
7	06-07-2022	05-07-2022
8	14-07-2022	30-06-2022
9	04-08-2022	31-07-2022
10	12-09-2022	11-09-2022
11	15-09-2022	31-08-2022
12	02-10-2022	30-09-2022
13	01-11-2022	31-10-2022
14	02-11-2022	02-11-2022
15	05-12-2022	30-11-2022

Zain KSA actively participates in the CST initiatives by studying any organizational development in the telecommunications and information technology sector in the Kingdom and by ensuring to regulate with CST regulations and decisions by analyzing the decisions of the CST, identifying compliance requirements, preparing internal compliance matrices and collaborating with the relevant departments within the Company. In addition, the Company actively participates with the CST's technical initiatives.

Compliance and Regulatory Affairs seeks to achieve excellence in legislative and regulatory commitment, thereby supporting the growth and success of the company in achieving its strategic objectives. Therefore, Zain KSA achieved a record rate of compliance with the decisions of the CST for 2022. The Company worked to adjust its spectrum allowance and ensured compatibility with the relevant regulations. In addition, broadband project improvements have been launched in line with the timeframe adopted by relevant stakeholders.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The operational results

The operating profit was 1089 million Saudi riya in FY 2022, compared to an operating profit of 699 million Saudi riya in the previous year. This increase was due to the growth in B2B and 5G revenues along with the increase in TAMAM revenue by 88% from the prior year and the cost of revenue increased by 25% whereas the cost of depreciation and amortization decreased by 364 million Saudi riya further to the reclassification of the tower's assets to assets held for sale following the announced disposal plan of the telecom towers.

1. Balance Sheet Highlights

The following table summarizes the financial position of Zain KSA as of December 31, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022:

SAR Million	2018 Audited	2019 Audited	2020 Audited	2021 Audited	2022 Audited	Change 21/22	% Change 21/22
Current Assets	3,515	3,404	3,383	3,781	7,026	3,245	46%
Non-current Assets	22,808	24,334	24,775	24,096	21,330	(2,766)	(13%)
Total Assets	26,323	27,738	28,158	27,877	28,356	479	2%
Current Liabilities	7,352	4,517	9,099	10,299	8,887	(1,412)	(16%)
Non-current Liabilities	14,959	19,118	10,330	8,538	9,669	1,131	12%
Total Liabilities	22,311	23,635	19,429	18,837	18,556	(281)	(2%)
Shareholders' Equity	4,012	4,103	8,729	9,040	9,800	760	8%
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	26,323	27,738	28,158	27,877	28,356	479	2%

Source: Audited financial statements for the years ended 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022

Note: Numbers may not sum up due to the rounding

The total assets of the company as of December 31, 2022, amounted to 28,356 million SAR, of which 12,437 million SAR (constituting 46% of the total assets) relate to the book value of the license obtained by the company from the Communications and Information Technology Commission in 2007. In addition, property and equipment were valued at 4,926 Million SAR, which is 18% of the total assets.

At the same date, the Company's total liabilities amounted to SAR 18,556 million, of which 50% amounting to SAR 9,316 million (loan and shareholders dues amount only) are related to the following:

■ Murabaha Facility ■ Shareholders dues ■ Governmental Loan

2. Overview of the Company's Borrowings

As of December 31, 2022, the outstanding balances of borrowing arrangements amounted to SAR 9,316 million. The following table summarizes those borrowing arrangements:

SAR Million	Term	Principal Amount	Net Repaid/Addition During 2022	Lender	Outstanding Balance (Gross)	Maturity
Murabaha Facility	5 years	5,968	2,483	Consortium of 8 banks	5,651	30 September 2025
Working Capital Facility	1 year	520	(130)	Consortium of 8 banks	520	9 May 2022
Advances from Shareholders	Open	5,020	-	Founding Shareholders	85	Open
Government Loan	14 years	Up to 800 per Year	(525)	Ministry of Finance	3,060	01 June, 2027
Junior Murabaha	3 years	2,250	(2,250)	Consortium of 5 banks	-	15 June, 2022
Total					9,316	

Source: Audited financial statements for the years ended 2022

Note: Numbers may not sum up due to the rounding

Syndicated Murabaha Financing

On 27 September 2020, the Group refinanced and extended the maturity date of its existing five years syndicated Murabaha facility (MFA) for a total amount available up to SR 6 billion with two years grace period, at better commercial terms. Moreover, the agreement includes a working capital facility of SR 1 billion (originally SR 0.65 billion in 2018) bringing the total facility amounting to SAR 7 billion until 2025, bringing additional liquidity for the Group to fund its business growth plans. The Group has withdrawn SAR 2.8 billion against the syndicate facility and SR 520 million against the working capital Murabaha facility while settling SAR 2.25 billion Junior Murabaha facility and SR 0.65 billion from working capital facility.

As at 31 December 2022, the Financing charges, as specified under the “Murabaha financing agreement” are payable in quarterly installments over five years. The new facility is secured partially by a guarantee from Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C and a pledge of shares of the Group owned by some of the founding shareholders and assignment of certain contracts and receivables and fixed assets up to the outstanding balance at the date of reporting as mentioned above.

The Group is complying with the existing loan covenants.

Group has utilized SAR 6.52 billion (SR 3.8 billion as at 31 December 2021) from existing facility of SAR 7 billion. As at 31 December 2022, total unused facility against MFA amounting to SR 0.48 billion.

Dues to Shareholders

The founding shareholders have provided and they continue to provide financial support to the Company since 2007. The outstanding balance as of December 31, 2022 amounted to SAR 86 million. Financing cost began to take place in August 2009 following the refinancing of the Syndicated Murabaha Financing, which took place at that time, while the loans carry financing costs as agreed with the Founding Shareholders.

The Company initially obtained these advances from the founding shareholders in order to serve the following purposes:

- Partially finance the acquisition of CITC license.
- Finance the working capital requirements.
- Provide security required by syndicated Murabaha financing agreement.
- Pay for all dues on junior debt and loans.

Payable to M.O.F

During 2013, the Company has signed an agreement with the Ministry of Finance (MOF), Saudi Arabia to defer payments of its dues to the government for the next seven years ending May 2020. These deferred payments under agreement contain commercial commission payable annually, while the amount is repayable in seven years starting from June 2021. The amount of 0.538 billion has been settled in November 2021. The amount deferred by the Company as of 31 December 2022 amounted to SAR 3.06 billion (31 December 2021: SAR 3.6 billion) out of which SAR 0.573 billion is recognized under trade and other payables as current portion as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: SAR 0.524 billion).

Junior Murabaha

On 16 June 2019, the Group has signed Junior Murabaha facility agreement amounting to SR 2.25 billion with a consortium of five banks. The duration of the agreement was two years, with an option to be extended for one year upon Group's request. The group has obtained the unanimous approval from all the participating banks to extend the maturity of borrowings till 16 June 2022. On 28th April 2022, the Group has voluntarily settled the outstanding principal as per the Murabaha Financing agreement.

Statements of Operation Highlights

The following table summarizes the statements of operation for the years ended on December 31, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022

SAR Million	2018 Audited	2019 Audited	2020 Audited	2021 Audited	2022 Audited	Change 21/22	% Change 21/22
Revenues	7,531	8,386	7,917	7,901	9,075	1,174	13%
Cost of Revenues	(2,106)	(2,418)	(2,472)	(3,016)	(3,760)	(744)	20%
Gross Profit	5,425	5,968	5,445	4,885	5,315	430	8%
Operating and administrative expenses	(2,416)	(2,146)	(2,004)	(1,756)	(2,161)	(405)	19%
EBITDA	3,009	3,822	3,441	3,128	3,155	27	1%
Depreciation and Amortization	(1,790)	(2,312)	(2,439)	(2,429)	(2,066)	363	(18%)
Net profit /(loss) before finance fees and other income and Zakat	1,219	1,510	1,002	699	1,089	390	36%
Income from loan modification	-	-	136	2	-	(2)	100%
Finance & other Income	44	37	40	21	59	38	64%
Financial Charges	(931)	(1,045)	(898)	(489)	(574)	(85)	15%
Net Profit/(Losses) for The Year before Zakat	332	503	280	231	574	343	60%
Zakat	-	(19)	(20)	(17)	(24)	(7)	29%
Net profit /(loss) for the year	332	485	260	214	550	336	61%

Source: Audited financial statements for the years ended 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022

Note: Numbers may not sum up due to the rounding

Revenue reached SAR 9,075 million for 2022 compared to SAR 7,901 million the previous, where data revenue represents 45% (excluding value added services & SMS)

- Gross profit reached SAR 5,315 million in 2022 compared to SAR 4,885 million in the previous year, posting an increase of 8%, with gross profit margin reaching 59% compared to 62% in previous year.
- Operating and administrative expenses reached SAR 2,161 million in 2022; an increase of 19% compared to SAR 1,756 million the previous year.
- EBITDA reached SAR 3,155 million in 2022 compared to SAR 3,128 million the previous year, posting an increase of 1%, with EBITDA margin reaching 35% compared to 40% in previous year.
- Depreciation and amortization expenses reached SAR 2,066 million in 2022 compared to SAR 2,430 million the year before.
- Operational profit reached SAR 1,089 million in 2022 compared to operational profit of SAR 699 million the previous year, posting an increase of 56%.
- Net profit after zakat and tax reached SAR 550 million in 2022 compared to net profit after zakat and tax of SAR 214 million the previous year.
- Total comprehensive income reached SAR 760 million in 2022 compared to total comprehensive income of SAR 310 million in the previous year.
- Profit per share reached SAR 0.61 in 2022 compared to profit per share of SAR 0.21 in the previous year.
- Total shareholders' equity (there is no minority interest) reached SAR 9,800 million in 2022 compared to SAR 9,040 million the previous year, an increase of 8%.
- The retained earnings reached SAR 634 million for 2022, compared to SAR 139 million the previous year, representing 7% of the Company share capital of SAR 8,987 million.
- Zain KSA's subscriber base comprised 8.9 million subscribers in 2022 compared to 8 million the prior year.

4. The following Table Presents Revenue Breakdown for Years, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022

SAR Million	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Change 21/22	% Change 21/22
Mobile Telecommunications Company	7,531	8,085	7,641	7,757	8,798	1,041	12%
Zain Sales Company	-	2,875	2,360	1,857	1,626	(231)	-14%
Zain Payment - Tamam	-	0.023	0.729	15.6	127	111	88%
Zain Drones	-	-	-	1.25	1.12	(0.14)	-12%
Eliminations	-	(2,573)	(2,085)	(1,730)	(1,476)	254	-17%
Total Revenue	7,531	8,386	7,917	7,901	9,075	1,174	13%

Source: Audited financial statements for the years ended, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022:

Note: Numbers may not sum up due to the rounding

It's worth mentioning that the geographical analysis of revenue does not apply due to the nature of the Company's operations. This is attributed to the mobility of the customer within the Kingdom; so, the customer's information might be registered in some region while the telecommunication activities are initiated from different regions depending on the location. Furthermore, revenue generated by international calls couldn't be linked to any region since they occur overseas.

Basis of Preparation of the Financial Statements

These consolidated financial statements of "the Group" have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standard "IFRS" that is endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia along with other pronouncement issued by Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountant (SOCPA).

Description of the class and number of any convertible debt instruments, contractual securities, preemptive right or similar rights issued or granted by the company during 2021

The Company has no debt instruments, options, guarantees or similar rights that are convertible until the date of this report.

Description of any conversion or subscription rights under any convertible debt instruments, contractually based securities, warrants or similar rights issued or granted by the Company.

The Company has no conversion or subscription rights under any convertible debt instruments, contractually based securities, warrants or similar rights issued or granted until the date of this report.

Statutory Payments

The Company had finalized its zakat and tax status up to 2008 and obtained the related certificate.

The Company had submitted its consolidated financial statements along with group zakat and returns for the years 2009 to 2020 and paid zakat and withholding tax according to the filed returns. In 2021 Zain Payment Company – Tamam had submitted, paid and obtained zakat certificate form ZATCA separately, consequently the Group had submitted zakat return for 2021 excluding Zain Payment Company – Tamam.

On 18 Ramadan 1436H (corresponding to 7 July 2015), The Group received the zakat assessments from Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority (ZATCA) for the years from 2009 to 2011 whereby ZATCA asked to pay an additional amount of SAR 352 million related to zakat differences.

The Group appealed this claim on 27 August 2015 and was able to have the amount of SAR 352 million related to zakat revoked entirely.

The Group received additional assessment of SAR 20 million for Zakat for the years from 2014 to 2018 which the Group has appealed against these additional claims to the relevant committees. The Group believes this will not result in any material additional provisions. Zakat was assessed by ZATCA and agreed with no additional claim for the years ended 2012 and 2013.

The Group has not received Zakat assessment for 2019, 2020 and 2021 yet.

There is no financial impact as the Group has sufficient provisions to cover these amounts.

The following table includes the statutory payments paid in 2022 or outstanding as on December 31, 2022 as well as brief description and reasons thereof:

SAR Million	2022		Brief Description / Reasons
	Paid	Outstanding as on December 31	
Communications, Space and Technology Commission	534	1,531	These amounts are related to the amount paid to CITC against spectrum fees, revenue shares and other fees. Outstanding balance relates to the Spectrum fees.
Ministry of Finance	608	3060	These amounts are related to the Ministry of Finance Loan. The amount paid was Interest fees whereas the outstanding amount will be payable in equal installments starting June 2021.
General Organization for Social Insurance	51	4.28	These amounts are related to GOSI Payment for Zain Employees.
General Authority for Zakat and Tax	587	6.62	These amounts are related to Value Added Tax, Withholding tax and Zakat provision.

Other than that, there are no other statutory payments.

Related Party Transactions

a. The following table includes amounts due to related parties:

	2022 SAR'000	2021 SAR'000	Note
Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C	1,253,020	1,444,018	This amount relates to accrued management fees and is payable to the Company's largest shareholder. The amount is unsecured, interest free and does not have any fixed terms of repayment but is not repayable until certain conditions are met in the Syndicated Murabaha facility.
Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C	5,050	1,262	These amounts are payable to shareholders and bear interest at market rates. The amounts are unsecured and cannot be repaid until certain conditions are met in the Syndicated Murabaha facility.
Founding shareholders	84,573	84,573	This amount relates to accrued finance charges and is payable to the Company's founding shareholders. The amount is unsecured, bear interest at market rates and do not have any fixed terms of repayment but is not repayable until certain conditions are met in the Syndicated Murabaha facility.
Other related parties	(13)	237	Telecom Services
Total	1,342,630	1,530,090	

The following tables include details relating to the transactions between Zain KSA and related parties during 2021:

Description	2022 SAR'000
Revenue from entities related to Zain Group ¹	38,958
Purchases from entities related to Zain Group ¹	(104,625)
Management and Branding Fees charged by MTC KSCP	(198,092)
Finance charges charged by MTC KSCP	-

¹ Details of such transactions are outlined in item No. 2 of the following table.

#	Related Party	Nature and conditions of transaction, business or contract	Duration / Term	Net Value / amount during 2022 SAR'000	Related party relationship with Zain KSA	Interested Board members / senior executives (directly or indirectly)
1	MTC KSCP	Operational	Open	(3,789)	Founding Shareholder of Zain KSA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Bader Nasser Alkharafi (Vice-chairman) - Mr. Ossama Matta (Board Member) - Mr. Martial Caratti (Board Member) - Mr. Firas Oggar (Board Member) - Mr. Kamil Hilali (Board Member)
2	Oman Tel, Zain Bahrain, Zain Jordan, MTC Lebanon S.A.R.L., Zain Kuwait, Zain Sudan, Zain Iraq "IRQAT" and Zain Global Communications Co.)	Telecom Services (Interconnect/roaming)	Open	(65,667)	Oman Tel is a shareholder in MTC KSCP whereas Zain Bahrain, Zain Jordan, MTC Lebanon S.A.R.L., Zain Kuwait, Zain Sudan, Zain Iraq "IRQAT" and Zain Global Communications Co. are subsidiaries to MTC KSCP which is a Founding Shareholder of Zain KSA	
3	Zain Global Communications Co. SPC	Telecom Services	Open	(33,677)	Zain Global Communications Co. SPC is a subsidiary to MTC KSCP which is a Founding Shareholder of Zain KSA	
4	Al Marai Company	Telecom services	Open	9,129	HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al Kabeer serves as Chairman of Al Marai Company's Board of Directors.	HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al Kabeer (Chairman)
5	Yamama Cement Company	Telecom services	Open	1,723	HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al Kabeer serves as a Board Member in Yamama Cement Company	HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al Kabeer (Chairman)

Relevant lawsuits

There are a number of lawsuits between Zain KSA and the Communications, Space and Technology Commission (CST) at the Administrative Court related to violations and fines cited by CST. Thus, the Company is keen to resort to the competent judicial authorities to ensure that CST's decisions regarding it is fair and reasonable and adhere to the applicable laws and regulations in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. While the outcome of the above-mentioned cases cannot be predicted, the Company will spare no effort and will use all legitimate means to defend its rights.

During 2022, CST issued (158) administrative decisions against Zain KSA including imposing fines of varied amounts. According to CST, the decisions are due to the Company's violations of CST's directives. As a result, the Company's legal department appealed most of these decisions before the Administrative Court, as guaranteed by the law.

Throughout 2022, the Administrative Court and the Administrative Appeal Court examined (158) administrative cases filed by the Company against the CST during the year. The Administrative Court issued a number of preliminary rulings in 2022 that were in favor of the Company, according to which the court decided to annul CST's decisions. Final rulings were also issued in favor of Zain KSA during the year 2022, and as of the date of this report, the Administrative Court and the Administrative Appeal Court are still hearing a number of cases.

Fines and Penalties

Zain KSA persistently seeks to create an effective partnership with all supervisory and regulatory authorities. This section contains the details of the penalties imposed on the Company by the supervisory, regulatory, and judicial authorities and a description of the controls that the Company has implemented in order to avoid these penalties in the future and to comply with the instructions of these regulatory authorities:

The table below includes the fines and penalties imposed on the Company by the supervisory and regulatory authorities as well as a brief description and reasons thereof and the controls the Company applied to avoid the future occurrence of such violations:

Fine / penalty	Reasons for non-compliance	Authority	Controls to remedy the violation and avoid it in the future
Imposing fines worth SAR 523,000	Failure to implement the directive within the specified time limit	Committee for the Consideration of Violations of the Communications Law	Establishing procedures to ensure compliance with CST's resolutions and ensure that all required information is submitted
Imposing fines worth SAR 110,000	Failure to implement CST's directives.		Establishing procedures to ensure compliance with CST's directives
Imposing fines worth SAR 100,000	Launching a promotional offer without obtaining CST's approval in violation of the Telecommunications Law		Establishing procedures to ensure obtaining CST's approval on all promotional offers

Dividends Distribution Policy

Based on Zain KSA's bylaws approved by the Extraordinary General Assembly on October 14, 2020, and the Shareholder's Rights Policy approved by the Board of Directors on December 5, 2017, the Company's Dividends Distribution Policy is as follows:

The Company's annual net profit shall be distributed after deducting all general expenses and other costs as follows:

1. 10% of the net profits shall be set aside to form a statutory reserve. The Ordinary General Assembly may decide to discontinue setting aside such a percentage when the said reserve reaches 30% of the paid-up share capital.
2. The Ordinary General Assembly may, upon recommendation from the Board of Directors, set aside a percentage that does not exceed 20% of the annual net profits to form a provisional reserve allocated for one or several purposes.
3. The Ordinary General Assembly may decide, based on the proposal of the Board of Directors, to distribute an initial dividend to shareholders from the remaining amount. The dividend to be distributed shall not be less than 5% of the Company's paid-up share capital.
4. Subject to the provisions stipulated in the Company's Bylaws and the Companies Law, the General Assembly may, after the above, allocate no more than 5% of the remainder as remuneration to members of the Board of Directors, provided that the remuneration is proportionate with the number of meetings attended by each member.
5. The Ordinary General Assembly may decide, based on the proposal of the Board of Directors, to distribute the remainder to shareholders as an additional dividend.

The Company may distribute interim dividends to shareholders, on a semi-annual or quarterly basis, in accordance with the regulations set by the Capital Market Authority, based on an authorization issued by the Ordinary General Assembly to the Board of Directors to distribute such dividends.

The shareholders' entitlement to the dividends shall be subject to the General Assembly's resolution - or the Board's resolution for interim dividends - issued in this regard. The resolution shall specify the eligibility date and distribution date. Shareholders who are registered in the shareholders register at the end of the eligibility day shall be entitled to dividends.

As for the distribution of dividends for preferred shares, if no dividends were distributed for any fiscal year, dividends for subsequent years may not be distributed except upon payment of the prescribed percentage, as stated in Article (114) of the Companies Law, to holders of preferred shares.

If the Company fails to pay the percentage stipulated in Article (114) of the Companies Law of the profits for three (3) consecutive years, the Special Assembly of holders of such shares, held in accordance with the provisions of Article (89) of the Companies Law, may decide either to attend the Company's general assembly meetings and participate in the voting or appoint representatives in the Company's Board of Directors in proportion to their shares of the capital, until profits designated for preferred shares are fully paid by the Company to the holders of such shares for previous years.

Worth noting that during the Board of Directors meeting on 25/03/2023, the Board recommended to distribute cash dividends to shareholders with the percentage of 5% of the Share Par Value (Equivalent to 0.5 SAR per share) as profit for 2022 financial year.

Interest in Shares and Debt Instruments

Board of Directors

The following table includes all available details about interest, contractual securities or rights issue of the Board members and their relatives in the Company's shares during 2022:

Name	Shares owned		Net Change	% Change
	January 1, 2022	December 31, 2022		
1 HH Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al-Kabeer	768	768	0	0
2 Bader Nasser Al – Kharafi (Vice-chairman)	1183	1183	0	0
3 Saud Abdullah Al-Bawardi	1538	1538	0	0
4 Abdullah Fahad Al-Faris	11	0	-11	-100
5 Saad bin Ibrahim Al-Moussa	20,000	100	19,900-	-99.5%

None of the Board members and their relatives (mentioned above) have any interest in the Company's debt instruments during 2022.

Executive Management

Name	Shares owned		Net Change	% Change
	January 1, 2022	December 31, 2022		
1 Rayan Abdullah Al Turki	11	11	0	0%
2 Saad AbdulRahman Al Sadhan	22	22	0	0%
3 Loluwah Saad AlNowaiser	11	11	0	0%

None of the Executive Management and their relatives (mentioned above) have any interest in the Company's debt instruments during 2022.



Corporate Governance Regulation Compliance

Mandatory Articles			
#	Article No.	Article	Justification
1	Article 51 (B)	Committees Membership The Company shall take into consideration while forming the remuneration and nomination committees that their members are of Independent Directors. The Board may appoint Non-Executive Directors or persons other than Board members either from shareholders or others, provided that the chairmen of committees mentioned in this paragraph are of the Independent Directors.	Regarding Article 48 (B) from the Corporate Governance Regulations which stated that the Company shall take into consideration while forming the remuneration and nomination committees that their members are of Independent Directors. The Board may appoint Non-Executive Directors or persons other than Board members either from shareholders or others, provided that the chairmen of committees mentioned in this paragraph are of the Independent Directors the committee The Committee utilized non-executive members in its formation and elected an independent member as a Chairman
2	Article 90 (19)	The Board's Report The Board's report shall include the Board's operations during the last fiscal year and all factors that affect the company's businesses. It shall include the following: 19) Geographical analysis of the company's and its affiliates revenues.	Geographic analysis of the Company's total revenues is not available due to the nature of the Telecoms Sector, as the revenue generated by subscribers is not linked to a certain location or area.
3	Article 93 (4)	Disclosure of Remunerations A description of the necessary details with respect to the remunerations and compensations granted to five Senior Executives who have received the highest remuneration from the company, provided that the chief executive officer and chief financial officer are among these.	Compensations granted to the Board of Directors and its committee's accordance with the attached table (annex (1)) in the Corporate Governance Regulations. On the other hand, the Company will not disclose its senior executives' remuneration in order to protect its interests and preserve the rights of its shareholders and employees and avoid any harm that may result from the disclosure in detail.
Guiding Articles			
1	Article 39	Training The company shall pay adequate attention to the training and preparation of the Board members and the Executive Management, and shall develop the necessary programs required.	This article was implemented in terms of members of the Executive Management. With respect to Board members, the Board of Directors did not see the necessity of training and preparing its members in view of their capabilities and expertise.

2	Article 41	<p>The Assessments</p> <p>The Assessments</p> <p>a) The Board shall develop, based on the proposal of the nomination committee, the necessary mechanisms to annually assess the performance of the Board, its members and committees, and the Executive Management, using key performance indicators linked to the extent to which the strategic objectives of the company have been achieved, the quality of the risk management and the efficiency of the internal control systems, among others, provided that weaknesses and strengths shall be identified and solutions shall be proposed for the same in the best interests of the company.</p> <p>b) The procedures of performance assessment shall be in writing and clearly stated and disclosed to the Board members and parties concerned with the assessment.</p> <p>c) The performance assessment shall entail an assessment of the Board's skills and experiences, an identification of its weaknesses and strength, and shall attempt to resolve such weaknesses using the available methods, such as nominating competent professional staff able to improve its performance. The performance assessment shall also entail the assessment of the mechanisms of the Board's activities in general.</p> <p>d) The individual assessment of Board members shall take into account the extent of effective participation of the member and his/her commitment to performing his/her duties and responsibilities, including attending the Board and its committees' meetings and dedicating adequate time thereof.</p> <p>e) The Board shall carry out the necessary arrangements to obtain an assessment of its performance from a competent third party every three years.</p> <p>f) Non-Executive Directors shall carry out a periodic assessment of the performance of the Chairman of the Board after getting the opinions of the Executive Directors, without the presence of the Chairman of the Board in the discussion on this matter, provided that weaknesses and strengths shall be identified and solutions shall be proposed for the same in the best interests of the company.</p>	<p>This article was not implemented in 2022 with respect to the assessment of the Board, Committees and Board members' performance. However, it is planned to have the necessary mechanisms in place in 2021 to ensure compliance with the Article.</p>
3	Article 54 (B)	<p>Audit Committee Formation</p> <p>The chairman of the audit committee shall be an Independent Director.</p>	<p>The Chairman of the Audit Committee was appointed a non-executive member due to his financial and accounting expertise, additionally the Committee have an independent director among its members.</p>
4	Article 70 and subsequent articles 71 and 72	<p>Composition of the Risk Management Committee</p> <p>The company's Board shall, by resolution therefrom, form a committee to be named the "Risk Management Committee.". The Chairman and the majority of Board members shall be Non-Executive Directors. The members of that committee shall possess an adequate level of knowledge in risk management and finance.</p>	<p>The Board of Directors did not establish a Risk Management Committee during 2022 as there was no need to form a dedicated committee for that purpose.</p>

5	Article 85 – Paragraphs (2) and (3)	Employee Incentives The company shall establish programs for developing and encouraging the participation and performance of the company's employees. The programs shall particularly include the following: 2) establishing a scheme for granting company shares or a percentage of the company's profits and pension programs for employees, and setting up an independent fund for such program; and 3) establishing social organizations for the benefit of the company's employees.	These two items were not implemented in 2022 as there was no need to establish such schemes, programs and social organizations.
6	Article 87	Social Responsibility The Ordinary General Assembly, based on the Board's recommendation, shall establish a policy that guarantees a balance between its objectives and those of the community for the purposes of developing the social and economic conditions of the community.	As outlined in the Corporate Sustainability section, Zain KSA participated in various activities during the year 2022 under the supervision of the Executive Management. This article will be implemented in the future.
7	Article 88	Social Initiatives The Board shall establish programs and determine the necessary methods for proposing social initiatives by the company.	Currently, the Executive Management undertakes this responsibility, and this article will be implemented in the future.
8	Article 95	Formation of a Corporate Governance Committee If the Board forms a corporate governance committee, it shall assign to it the competencies stipulated in Article (94) of CMA CG Regulations. Such committee shall oversee any matters relating to the implementation of governance, and shall provide the Board with its reports and recommendations at least annually.	The Board of Directors did not establish a Corporate Governance Committee during the year as there was no need to establish a dedicated committee to perform the competencies outlined in Article (94) of the regulations. However, the Corporate Governance Department is undertaking such responsibilities.

Remuneration Policy

As per Article 61 of the Corporate Governance Regulations of the Capital Market Authority ("CMA"), the Nomination and Remuneration Committee developed the Remuneration Policy of Zain KSA which governs the remunerations of Board members, committees' members and members of the Executive Management. This Policy was approved by the Board of Directors on December 5, 2017, and recommended to the General Assembly, which approved it on December 12, 2017.

The Remuneration Policy aims at governing the remuneration practices of Zain KSA with respect to the remunerations of members of the Board of Directors, Board Committees and Executive Management in line with the applicable laws and regulations. In addition to other objectives, the Remuneration Policy intends to align the remunerations with Zain KSA's strategy and objectives, making them consistent with the magnitude, nature and level of risks faced by the Company and takes into consideration the best practices of other regional and global telecom and ICT companies, as well as companies listed in the Tadawul, considering their size and operations in relevance to Zain KSA.

The Policy states that members shall be entitled to a fixed amount (basic remuneration) which shall be approved by the General Assembly on an annual basis. Board members are also entitled to variable remuneration tied to the distribution of dividends (if any) in line with Article 76 of the Companies Law. Members of the Board and Board Committees shall be reimbursed for certain expenses, such as travel and accommodation, which are associated with the attendance of Board and Committees meetings.

In line with the provisions of the Policy, it was recommended that each Board member is entitled to an amount of SAR 375,000 and each Committee member is entitled to SAR 50,000 subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

In all cases, the total amount of remuneration for each Board member shall not exceed SAR 500,000 of financial or in-kind benefits annually in line with Article 76 of the Companies Law.

With respect to executive management, the Policy aims at attracting and retaining the best talents, as executives are offered packages consisting of basic salary, allowances, variable components, performance-based bonuses, and end-of-service benefits. These benefits are based on many factors, including experience, expertise, qualifications and others, and all benefits are subject to the approved policies and approval of the competent level of authority.

You may view the Remuneration Policy [here](#).

In line with Articles 90 and 93 of the Corporate Governance Regulations, remunerations are disclosed in the following two sections as required. It is worth mentioning that there is no significant deviation between the remunerations granted and the approved Policy.

The General Assembly of the Company approved, during its meeting held on June 2, 2021, the disbursement of SAR 3,675,000 in total as remunerations to the Board of Directors and the Board Committees for the financial year that ended on December 31, 2021. There is no arrangement or agreement under which a Board Member or a Senior Executive waived any remuneration. The following sections contain details of remunerations paid during the year 2021:

Board, Committee, Executives Remunerations

The following sections contain details of remunerations paid during the year 2022:

Board members	Fixed remuneration						Variable remuneration						End of Service Gratuity	Grand Total	Expense Allowance	
	Base amount	Attendance allowance for meetings of the Board of Directors	Total attendance allowance for committee meetings	In-kind benefits	Fiscal, administrative and advisory work	Remuneration of the President of the Board of Directors, the Managing Director or the Secretary	Total	Percentage of profits	Periodic Remunerations	Short - term incentive plans	Long - term incentive plans	Shares Given (Value Added)				Total
First: Independent members																
HH Prince Nayef bin Sultan bin Mohammed bin Saud Al-Kabeer	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Raied bin Ali Al-Saif	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Hisham Attar	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Total	1,125,000						1,125,000								1,125,000	
Second: Non-Executive Members																
Bader Nasser Al – Kharafi	281,000						281,000								281,000	
Ossama Michel Matta	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Saud bin Abdullah al-Bawardi	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Martial Anthony Caratti	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Firas Ogar	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Kamil Hilali	375,000						375,000								375,000	
Total	2,156,000						2,156,000								2,156,000	

Board, Committee, Executives Remunerations

Committee members		Fixed remuneration	Attendance Allowance for meetings	Total
Members of the Audit Committee				
1	Raied al-Saif	50,000	-	50,000
2	Ossama Matta	50,000	-	50,000
3	Martial Caratti	50,000	-	50,000
	Total	150,000	-	150,000
Members of the Remuneration and Nominations Committee				
1	Kamil Hilali	50,000	-	50,000
2	Ossama Matta	50,000	-	50,000
3	Hisham Attar	50,000	-	50,000
	Total	150,000	-	150,000

Senior Executives Remuneration (all figures in SAR)

The following table includes details relating to the remunerations of five executives who received the highest remuneration from Zain KSA, including the CEO and CFO. It is worth mentioning that the remunerations are in line with the approved Remunerations Policy and pay scale approved by the Board of Directors, with no significant deviations recorded during the year 2022.

Senior Executives	Fixed Remunerations				Variable Remunerations						End-of-service award	Total remunerations for Board executives, if any	Aggregate Amount
	Salaries	Allowances	In-kind benefits	Total	Periodic remunerations	Profits	Short-term incentive plans	Long-term incentive plans	Granted shares (insert the value)	Total			
Total remuneration of 5 Senior Executives	6,736,782	3,186,240	144,000	10,067,022	-	-	7,919,434	-	-	17,986,456	716,820	-	18,703,276

Employees' End-of-Service Benefits

The value of the employees' end-of-service benefits provided by Zain KSA amounted to SAR 161 million as at December 31, 2022.

Declarations

Zain KSA declares that:

1. Proper books of account have been maintained.
2. The system of internal control is sound in design and has been effectively implemented.
3. There are no significant doubts concerning the Company's ability to continue its activity.
4. There is no emphasis on a matter by the external auditor.
5. The external auditor's report did contain the following Qualification:
 "As at 31 December 2022, the consolidated financial statements included 'Right of use assets' amounting to SR 790 million (2021: SR 1,331 million), 'Lease liabilities' of SR 680 million (2021: SR 1,472 million), 'Amortization of right of use assets' of SR 195 million (2021: SR 416 million), 'Finance cost' of SR 76 million (2021: SR 73 million), and 'Right of use assets - held for sale' and 'Lease liabilities - held for sale' of SR 1,000 million and SR 802 million respectively. We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence about the carrying amount of 'Right of use assets', 'Lease liabilities', and 'Right of use assets - held for sale' and 'Lease liabilities - held for sale' as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 and related 'Amortization of right of use assets' and 'Finance cost' for the year ended 31 December 2022 and prior years, because of the unavailability of auditable information as of the date of our report. Consequently, we are not able to conclude whether any adjustments to the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures may have been necessary for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 and prior years.".
6. There was no inconsistency with the standards approved by the Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants (SOCPA).
7. The Board did not recommend replacing the external auditor before the end of its term.
8. There are no treasury shares retained by the Company.
9. No investments were made or reserves set up for the benefit of employees.
10. No redeemable debt instruments were redeemed, purchased, or cancelled by the Company as of the date of this report.
11. No shares or debt instruments were issued by any subsidiaries.
12. There was no notification of any interest in a class of voting shares held by persons (other than the Company's directors, Senior Executives and their relatives) or of any change in these rights during the final financial year, under Article 68 of the CMA's Rules on The Offer of Securities and Continuing Obligations.
13. There is a fully-fledged and independent internal audit function operating throughout the year.
14. There was no conflict between the Audit Committee's recommendations and the Board's resolutions regarding the appointment, dismissal, performance assessment or determining the remuneration of the external auditor, or relating to the appointment of the internal auditor.
15. The absence of any business by the members of the board of directors that might compete with the company or any of its activities.





Financial Statements

MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA (A SAUDI JOINT STOCK COMPANY)

CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA
(A SAUDI JOINT STOCK COMPANY)**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia
 (A Saudi Joint Stock Company)

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (the "Company") and its subsidiaries (collectively referred to as the "Group"), which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022, and the consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity and consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to these consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2022, and its consolidated financial performance and its consolidated cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncements that are endorsed by the Saudi Organization for Chartered and Professional Accountants ("IFRS as endorsed by SOCPA").

Basis for Qualified Opinion

As at 31 December 2022, the consolidated financial statements included 'Right of use assets' amounting to SR 790 million (2021: SR 1,331 million), 'Lease liabilities' of SR 680 million (2021: SR 1,473 million), 'Finance cost' of SR 76 million (2021: SR 73 million), 'Amortization of right of use assets' of SR 195 million (2021: SR 415 million) and 'Right of use assets - held for sale' and 'Lease liabilities - held for sale' of SR 1,000 million and SR 802 million respectively. We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence about the carrying amount of 'Right of use assets', 'Lease liabilities', and 'Right of use assets - held for sale' and 'Lease liabilities - held for sale' as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 and related 'Finance cost' and 'Amortization of right of use assets' for the years ended 31 December 2022 and prior years, because of the unavailability of auditable information as of the date of our report. Consequently, we are not able to conclude whether any adjustments to the consolidated financial statements and related disclosures may have been necessary for the years ended 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 and prior years.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) that is endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia that is relevant to our audit of the consolidated financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with this Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current year. In addition to the matters described in the Basis for qualified opinion section, we have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report. These matters were addressed in the context of the audit of the consolidated financial statements as a whole, and in forming the auditor's opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. For each matter below, our description of how our audit addressed the matter is provided in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Accordingly, our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements. The results of our audit procedures, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our audit opinion on the accompanying consolidated financial statements.



Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Shareholders of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia
(A Saudi Joint Stock Company)

Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
<p>Revenue recognition</p> <p>The Group's revenue consists primarily of subscription fees for telecommunication, data packages and use of the network totalling SR 9.1 billion for the year ended 31 December 2022.</p> <p>We considered this a key audit matter as the application of accounting standard for revenue recognition in the telecommunication sector includes number of key judgments and estimates.</p> <p>Additionally, there are inherent risks about the accuracy of revenues recorded due to the complexity associated with the network environment, dependency on IT applications, large volumes of data, changes caused by price updates and promotional offers affecting the various products and services offered, as well as the materiality of the amounts involved.</p> <p><i>Refer to note 4 for the accounting policy related to revenue recognition and note 23 for the related disclosures.</i></p>	<p>Our audit procedures included, among others, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Involved our IT specialists to test the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of system internal controls related to revenue recognition. Assessed the Group's revenue recognition policies, for compliance with IFRS as endorsed by SOCPA. Inspected a sample of revenue reconciliations prepared by management between the primary billing system and the general ledger. Tested, on sample basis, the accuracy of customer invoice generation and tested a sample of the credits and discounts applied to customers invoices. Performed analytical procedures by comparing expectations of revenues with actual results and analysed variances. Assessed the adequacy of the relevant disclosures in the consolidated financial statement.



Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Shareholders of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia
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Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
Impairment of property and equipment and intangible assets	
<p>As at 31 December 2022, the Group's consolidated financial position included property and equipment amounting to SR 4.93 billion and intangible assets amounting to SR 14.97 billion.</p> <p>At each reporting date, the Group's management assesses whether there is any indication that property and equipment and intangible assets may be impaired.</p> <p>This involves significant judgments in respect of factors such as technological changes, challenging economic conditions, changing regulatory environment and restrictions, operating or capital costs and other economic assumptions used by the Group.</p> <p>We considered this as a key audit matter as it involves management's assumptions and estimates as well as the materiality of the amounts involved.</p> <p><i>Refer to note 5 and note 4 for the accounting and critical judgements and policies related to valuation of property and equipment and intangible assets.</i></p>	<p>Our audit procedures performed included, among others, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessed the Group's impairment policies for property and equipment and intangible assets, for compliance with IFRS as endorsed with SOCPA. Assessed the appropriateness of management's determination of CGUs, based on the requirements of International Accounting Standard ("IAS") 36 'Impairment of Assets', that is endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Evaluated management's procedures in identifying impairment indicators in respect of the related CGUs. Evaluated the reasonableness of management's assumptions and estimates in determining the recoverable amount of the Group's CGUs, including those relating to projected forecasts. Involved our internal experts to validate the mathematical accuracy and the assumptions used by management in the impairment models. Assessed the adequacy of the relevant disclosures included in the consolidated financial statements.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Shareholders of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia
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Key Audit Matters (continued)

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
Capitalization of property and equipment	
<p>The Group has a material capital expenditure plan and therefore incurs significant annual expenditure in relation to the development and maintenance of both infrastructure assets and assets in relation to network and related equipment.</p> <p>Costs related to upgrading or enhancing networks are treated as capital expenditures while expenses spent to maintain the network's operating capacity are recognized as expenses in the same year in which they are incurred. Accordingly, the assessment and timing of whether assets meet the capitalization criteria set out in IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment requires judgement.</p> <p>We consider this as key audit matter since it involves management's assumptions as well as materiality of the amounts involved.</p> <p><i>Refer to note 4 for the accounting policy related to property and equipment and note 11 and 13 for the related disclosures.</i></p>	<p>Our audit procedures performed included, among others, the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tested the design, implementation and operating effectiveness of key controls in place over the capitalization of property and equipment. • Assessed the Group's capitalization policy, for compliance with IFRS as endorsed by SOCPA. • Tested, on sample basis, costs capitalized are in accordance with the approved budgeted for capital expenditure for the year and the related supporting documents. • Tested, on sample basis, capitalization of expenses in compliance with the Group's capitalization policy. • Assessed the adequacy of the relevant disclosures included in the consolidated financial statements.

Other matter

The consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2021 were audited by another auditor who expressed unmodified opinion on those consolidated financial statements on 2 Rajab 1443H (corresponding to 3 February 2022).

Other information included in The Group's 2022 Annual Report

Other information consists of the information included in the Group's 2022 annual report, other than the consolidated financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Board of Directors is responsible for the other information. The Group's 2022 annual report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this auditor's report.

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

In connection with our audit of the consolidated financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the consolidated financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Shareholders of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia
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Responsibilities of Management and the Board of Directors for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncements that are endorsed by the Saudi Organization for Chartered and Professional Accountants and the provisions of Companies' Law and Company's By-laws, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Group'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 Group or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those Board of Directors are responsible for overseeing the Group's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's 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 International Standards on Auditing that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated 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 control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control 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 Group's internal control.
- 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 Group's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the consolidated 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



Independent auditor's report (continued)

To the Shareholders of Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia
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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements (continued)

- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the Group to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the group audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

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

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, actions taken to eliminate threats or safeguards applied.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the current year and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

for Ernst & Young
Professional Services

Saad M. Al-Khathlan
Certified Public Accountant
License No. (509)

Riyadh: 10 Ramadan 1444H
(1 April 2023)



MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA
(A SAUDI JOINT STOCK COMPANY)

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

(All amounts in Saudi Riyals thousands unless otherwise stated)

	Note	31 December 2022	31 December 2021
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Inventories	9	146,679	213,723
Contract assets	8	150,971	67,224
Trade and other receivables	7	3,990,264	2,988,348
Cash and cash equivalents	6	375,430	511,977
		<u>4,663,344</u>	<u>3,781,272</u>
Assets held for sale	37	2,362,509	-
Total current assets		<u>7,025,853</u>	<u>3,781,272</u>
Non-current assets			
Property and equipment	11	4,925,591	6,639,995
Intangible assets	13	14,966,922	15,561,044
Right-of-use assets	10	789,866	1,330,975
Capital advances	12	191,835	274,841
Contract assets	8	344,897	288,822
Derivative financial instruments	19	110,872	-
Total non-current assets		<u>21,329,983</u>	<u>24,095,677</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>28,355,836</u>	<u>27,876,949</u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	14	5,467,330	4,691,199
Deferred income and contract liabilities	8	351,251	601,049
Borrowings	15	836,800	3,213,549
Lease liabilities	16	109,820	263,771
Due to related parties	17	1,319,857	1,530,090
		<u>8,085,058</u>	<u>10,299,658</u>
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	37	801,950	-
Total current liabilities		<u>8,887,008</u>	<u>10,299,658</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Long-term borrowings	15	5,171,069	2,638,024
Lease liabilities	16	569,991	1,208,774
Other non-current liabilities	18	3,766,614	4,445,416
Derivative financial instruments	19	-	110,123
Employees' end of service benefits obligation	20	161,286	135,434
Total non-current liabilities		<u>9,668,960</u>	<u>8,537,771</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>18,555,968</u>	<u>18,837,429</u>
EQUITY			
Share capital	22	8,987,292	8,987,292
Hedging reserve	19	110,872	(110,123)
Other reserve	20	(8,247)	2,066
Statutory reserve		76,397	21,430
Retained earnings		633,554	138,855
Total equity		<u>9,799,868</u>	<u>9,039,520</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		<u>28,355,836</u>	<u>27,876,949</u>

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Chairman

MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

(All amounts in Saudi Riyals thousands unless otherwise stated)

	Note	2022	2021
Revenue	23	9,075,172	7,900,646
Cost of revenue	24	(3,759,802)	(3,016,051)
Gross Profit		5,315,370	4,884,595
Distribution and marketing expenses	25	(1,574,228)	(1,466,549)
General and administrative expenses	26	(371,499)	(282,738)
Depreciation and amortization	10,11,13	(2,065,740)	(2,429,597)
Expected credit loss (ECL)	7,8	(214,792)	(6,971)
Operating profit		1,089,111	698,740
Finance income		10,331	1,319
Other income	27	48,369	20,379
Finance cost	28	(573,836)	(489,158)
Profit before Zakat		573,975	231,280
Zakat	29	(24,309)	(16,978)
Profit for the year		549,666	214,302
Other comprehensive income			
<i>Item that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Remeasurement of employees' end of service benefits obligation	20	(10,313)	48
<i>Item that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:</i>			
Fair value change in hedging instruments entered into for cash flow hedges	19	220,995	96,087
Total other comprehensive income		210,682	96,135
Total comprehensive income for the year		760,348	310,437
Earnings per share (in Saudi Riyals)			
Basic and diluted	30	0.61	0.24

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The accompany notes (1) to (40) form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA
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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**


(All amounts in Saudi Riyals thousands unless otherwise stated)

	Share capital	Hedging reserve	Other reserve	Statutory reserve	Retained earnings	Total
Balance at 1 January 2022	8,987,292	(110,123)	2,066	21,430	138,855	9,039,520
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	549,666	549,666
Other comprehensive income	-	220,995	(10,313)	-	-	210,682
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	220,995	(10,313)	-	549,666	760,348
Transfer to statutory reserve	-	-	-	54,967	(54,967)	-
Balance as at 31 December 2022	8,987,292	110,872	(8,247)	76,397	633,554	9,799,868

Balance at 1 January 2021	8,987,292	(206,210)	2,018	-	(54,017)	8,729,083
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	214,302	214,302
Other comprehensive income	-	96,087	48	-	-	96,135
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	96,087	48	-	214,302	310,437
Transfer to statutory reserve	-	-	-	21,430	(21,430)	-
Balance as at 31 December 2021	8,987,292	(110,123)	2,066	21,430	138,855	9,039,520


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MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

(All amounts in Saudi Riyals thousands unless otherwise stated)

	Note	2022	2021
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Profit before zakat		573,975	231,280
Adjustments to reconcile profit for the year before zakat to net cash from operating activities:			
Expected credit loss	7,8	214,792	6,971
Depreciation and amortization	10,11,13	2,065,740	2,429,597
Other provisions		(199,667)	(189,449)
Other gain – net		(49,716)	-
Reversal of inventory provision		(3,986)	(679)
Finance costs	28	573,836	489,158
Gain on disposal of property and equipment		(752)	(3,358)
Foreign currency loss		2,101	3,251
Gain on modification of borrowings		(1,388)	-
Employees' end-of-service benefits obligation charge	20	25,356	22,528
		3,200,291	2,989,299
Changes in working capital			
Trade and other receivables		(1,030,078)	(977,302)
Inventories		71,030	(25,941)
Movement of cash under lien		3,720	215,819
Contract assets		(139,822)	(39,524)
Trade and other payables		745,492	19,508
Deferred income and contract liabilities		(249,798)	56,963
Other non-current liabilities		(678,802)	(652,192)
Cash flows generated from operations		1,922,033	1,586,630
Zakat paid	29	-	-
Employees' end of service benefits obligation paid	20	(9,818)	(12,176)
Net cash generated from operating activities		1,912,215	1,574,454
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property and equipment	11	(922,990)	(917,494)
Proceed from disposal of property and equipment	11	2,252	3,364
Proceed from sale of subsidiary		10	-
Purchase of intangible assets	13	(423,468)	(171,301)
Net cash used in investing activities		(1,344,196)	(1,085,431)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Repayment of borrowings		(3,216,800)	-
Proceeds from borrowings		3,320,000	1,990,432
Payment against amount due to related parties		-	(1,063,513)
Payment of lease liabilities	16	(489,405)	(427,517)
Finance cost paid		(312,540)	(1,360,778)
Net cash used in financing activities		(698,745)	(861,376)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(130,726)	(372,353)
Effect of movements in exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(2,101)	(3,252)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year		507,189	882,794
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	6	374,362	507,189

The accompany notes (1) to (40) form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements

MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY SAUDI ARABIA
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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

(All amounts in Saudi Riyals thousands unless otherwise stated)

Non-Cash Transactions:

	2022	2021
Adjustment to property and equipment with corresponding to trade payables and capital advances	334,413	100,047
Adjustment to intangible assets with corresponding to trade payables	237,985	142,585
Changes in fair value of derivative financial instruments	220,995	48,475
Transfer to Assets held for sale	2,362,509	-
Addition to right of use assets	(441,923)	(358,156)


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Chairman

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1 ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES

1.1 General Information

The Company is a "Saudi Joint Stock Company" established pursuant to the Ministerial Resolutions No. 176 dated 25 Jumada I' 1428H (corresponding to 11 June 2007) and No. 357 dated 28 Dhu Al-Hijjah 1428H (corresponding to 7 January 2008), Royal Decree No. 48/M dated 26 Jumada I' 1428H (corresponding to 12 June 2007), the Commercial Registration No. 1010246192 issued in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) on 4 Rabi I' 1429H (corresponding to 12 March 2008) to operate as the 3rd GSM public mobile cellular and the Company obtained technology neutral license in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for twenty five (25) years.

Mobile Telecommunications Company Saudi Arabia (the "Company") along with its subsidiaries (together the "Group"), provides mobile telecommunication services in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in which it operates, purchases, sells, distributes, delivers, installs, manages and maintains mobile telephone services and equipment. As well, the Group provides consulting services; constructs and repair telecom towers; provides fintech services and provide technical drones services along with selling and repairing as mentioned in note 1.2.

The registered address of the Company is P.O. Box 295814, Riyadh 11351, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The Company is a subsidiary of Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C.P. Kuwait ("Zain Group"). Zain Group ultimate parent company is Oman Telecommunications Company SAOG, Oman.

The Group realized net profit for the year ended 31 December 2022, SR 550 million (31 December 2021: SR 214 million) and had retained earnings of SR 634 million as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: SR 139 million) and the current liabilities of the Group exceed the current assets of the Group by SR 1.86 billion (2021: SR 6.5 billion) which includes SR 1.32 billion related to due to related parties (refer note 17). Based on the latest approved business plan, the Group's management believes that the Group will be successful in meeting its obligations in the normal course of operations considering the unutilized portion of the Syndicated Murabaha Facility amounting SR 0.48 billion (refer note 15-1). The Management of the Group have a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

1.2 subsidiaries

The Company established the following fully owned subsidiaries in KSA:

- a. Zain Sales Company is engaged in distributing, selling telecom equipment and handsets; and providing consulting services. Share capital SR 10,000. The company started its operation in the first quarter of 2019.
- b. Zain Payments Company-Tamam is engaged in providing fintech services. Share capital SR 100,000. The company started its operation during the fourth quarter of 2019. On 9 April 2021, the Company has increased its share capital amounting to SR 57 million. On 6 October 2022, the company increased its share capital by SR 91 million to reach SR 148 million.
- c. Zain Drones Company is engaged in providing professional, scientific and technical drones services along with selling and repairing drones. Share capital SR 10,000. The company started its operation during the fourth quarter of 2019.

1.3 Sale of subsidiary

The Company sold 100% shareholding of Zain Business Company Limited, equivalent to 1,000 shares at SR 10 par value, during the year with a value of SR 10,000; resulting in gain on sale amounting to SR 4,750.

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1.4 Agreement for sale of Tower

The Group has received unanimous approval of the Board of Directors, after excluding the following members: H.H. Prince Naif bin Sultan, Mr. Raied AlSaif, Mr. Saud AlBawardi, and Mr. Hisham Attar from voting on the offers because they are related parties once the transaction is executed, for the final offers (the “Final Offers”) from the Public Investment Fund (PIF), HRH Prince Saud Bin Fahad Bin Abdulaziz and Sultan Holding Company to acquire Zain’s towers infrastructures. The approved final offers were to acquire stakes in Zain KSA’s towers infrastructure comprising of 8,069 towers, valuing these assets at SR 3,026 million (USD 807 million).

On 28 May 2022, Zain KSA received a letter from the Communications and Information Technology Commission (CITC) No.4319/1443/AH dated 27/10/1443H (corresponding to 28/5/2022), which included the CITC's Board of Directors approval for “Zain Business Limited” Company (please refer to note 1.3) to acquire at least 8,069 of the telecom tower sites owned by Zain KSA, after Zain Business Limited obtains a license (providing wholesale services for infrastructure – (Class A) towers and masts), provided that the regulatory requirements related to licensing are met.

In September 2022, PIF acquired Zain Business Company Limited with Commercial registration number 10100472408 and changed the name to Golden Lattice Investment Company (GLI).

In October 2022, the Group has also entered into a Shareholders’ Agreement “SHA” with PIF, HRH Prince Saud bin Fahd bin Abdulaziz, Sultan Holding Company and GLI in respect of GLI, such that the shareholding structure of GLI upon Completion shall be: PIF – 60%; the Group – 20%; HRH Prince Saud bin Fahad Bin Abdul Aziz– 10% and Sultan Holding Company – 10%.

Simultaneously in October 2022, the Group also signed with GLI an Asset Purchase Agreement “APA”; whereby at least the aforementioned sites will be transferred in batches and within a period not exceeding 18 months from the Financial Completion date, from the Group to GLI for an aggregate value as mentioned above. Whereby the Group, upon the “Financial Completion” under the APA, will receive a cash proceed of SR 2,421 million along with a 20% equity stake in GLI.

The “Financial Completion” under the APA is only achieved when the required licenses are obtained, and the Group transfers at least 3,000 sites out of total towers agreed to be transferred to GLI, then “The Financial Completion” date will be triggered and the signed APA and SHA will be executed (refer to note 38).

1.5 Agreement for prospective investment

On 9 July 2022, the Group and Zain Ventures Holding Company W.L.L signed a Shareholders’ agreement with Digital Application Trading Company L.L.C “PHT” registered under the laws of KSA, by virtue of which all parties of the agreement agreed and recorded terms and conditions relating to the shareholding, funding, management and support requirements of Entertainment Content Trading Company (Single Owner) L.L.C “ECT” already formed and registered under the laws of KSA, currently owned by PHT.

The Group, Zain Ventures Holding Company W.L.L, PHT and ECT on 8 September 2022 entered into a Subscription Agreement, by virtue of which the Group and Zain Ventures Holding Company W.L.L agrees to subscribe shares 30% (each) shareholding in ECT with an amount of SR 9.38 million each, in two phases. The Group has paid SAR 2 million as advance, however the registration of new Company is pending as at 31 December 2022.

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2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

These consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (“IFRS”) that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and other standards and pronouncements that are endorsed by the Saudi Organization for Chartered and Professional Accountants (SOCPA).

The Group has prepared the consolidated financial statements on the basis that it will continue to operate as a going concern.

Basis of measurement

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, except for derivative financial Instruments and assets held for sale.

The Group has used same accounting policies which were used for the year ended 31 December 2021, unless mentioned otherwise.

Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated financial statements are presented in Saudi Riyals (SR) which is the functional currency of the Group. All the amounts have been rounded off to the nearest thousand unless otherwise stated.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company. Control is achieved when the Company:

- has power over the investee;
- is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee; and
- has the ability to use its power to affect its returns.

The Company reassesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control listed above.

These consolidated financial statements comprising the consolidated statement of financial position, consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, consolidated statement of changes in equity, consolidated statement of cash flows and notes to the consolidated financial statements of the Group, including assets, liabilities and the results of the operations of the Group, as set out in (note 1.2). Subsidiaries are consolidated from the date on which ownership commences until the date its ceases. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date the Group gains control until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary. When necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring their accounting policies in line with the Group’s accounting policies. The Group and its fully owned subsidiaries have the same reporting periods. All intergroup assets and liabilities, income, expenses and cash flows relating to transactions between members of the Group are eliminated in full on consolidation.

A change in the ownership interest of a subsidiary, without a loss of control, is accounted for as an equity transaction.

If the Group loses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises the related assets (including goodwill), liabilities, non-controlling interest and other components of equity, while any resultant gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss. Any investment f is recognised at fair value.

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3 STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

a) New standards, interpretations and amendments effective in current year

The Group applied for the first-time certain standards and amendments, which are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022 (unless otherwise stated). The Group has not early adopted any other standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective.

Standard, interpretation, amendments	Description	Effective date
A number of narrow-scope amendments to IFRS 3, IAS 16, IAS 37 and some annual improvements on IFRS 1, IFRS 9, IAS 41 and IFRS 16	<p>Amendments to IFRS 3, 'Business combinations' update a reference in IFRS 3 to the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting without changing the accounting requirements for business combinations.</p> <p>Amendments to IAS 16, 'Property, plant and equipment' prohibit an entity from deducting from the cost of property, plant and equipment amounts received from selling items produced while the entity is preparing the asset for its intended use. Instead, an entity will recognise such sales proceeds and related cost in statement of income.</p> <p>Amendments to IAS 37, 'Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets' specify which costs an entity includes when assessing whether a contract will be loss-making.</p> <p>Annual improvements make minor amendments to IFRS 1, 'First-time Adoption of IFRS', IFRS 9, 'Financial instruments', IAS 41, 'Agriculture' and the Illustrative Examples accompanying IFRS 16, 'Leases'.</p>	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022.
Amendment to IFRS 16, 'Leases' – COVID-19 related rent concessions Extension of the practical expedient	As a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, rent concessions have been granted to lessees. In May 2020, the IASB published an amendment to IFRS 16 that provided an optional practical expedient for lessees from assessing whether a rent concession related to COVID-19 is a lease modification. On 31 March 2021, the IASB published an additional amendment to extend the date of the practical expedient from 30 June 2021 to 30 June 2022. Lessees can select to account for such rent concessions in the same way as they would if they were not lease modifications. In many cases, this will result in accounting for the concession as variable lease payments in the period(s) in which the event or condition that triggers the reduced payment occurs.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 April 2021

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3 STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS (continued)

a) New standards, interpretations and amendments effective in current year (continued)

The Group has assessed that these amendments have no significant impact on the consolidated financial statements.

b) New standards, interpretations and amendments not yet effective

The Group has chosen not to early adopt the following new standards and amendments to IFRS which have been issued but not yet effective for the Group's accounting year beginning on or after January 1, 2023.

Standard, interpretation, amendments	Description	Effective date
Amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements', on classification of liabilities	These narrow-scope amendments to IAS 1, 'Presentation of financial statements', clarify that liabilities are classified as either current or noncurrent, depending on the rights that exist at the end of the reporting period. Classification is unaffected by the expectations of the entity or events after the reporting date (for example, the receipt of a waiver or a breach of covenant). The amendment also clarifies what IAS 1 means when it refers to the 'settlement' of a liability. Note that the IASB has issued a new exposure draft proposing changes to this amendment.	Deferred until accounting periods starting not earlier than 1 January 2024
Narrow scope amendments to IAS 1, Practice statement 2 and IAS 8	The amendments aim to improve accounting policy disclosures and to help users of the financial statements to distinguish between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting policies.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023
Amendment to IAS 12-deferred tax related to assets and liabilities arising from a single transaction	These amendments require entities to recognize deferred tax on transactions that, on initial recognition give rise to equal amounts of taxable and deductible temporary differences.	Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Current versus non-current classification

The Group presents assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position based on current/non-current classification. An asset is current when it is:

- Expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the normal operating cycle
- Held primarily for the purpose of trading
- Expected to be realised within twelve months after the reporting period
- Or
- Cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period

All other assets are classified as non-current.

A liability is current when:

- It is expected to be settled in the normal operating cycle
- It is held primarily for the purpose of trading
- It is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period
- Or
- There is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period

The terms of the liability that could, at the option of the counterparty, result in its settlement by the issue of equity instruments do not affect its classification.

The Group classifies all other liabilities as non-current.

Property and equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

Depreciation is recognized so as to write off the cost of assets less their residual values over their useful lives, using the straight-line method. The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at the end of annual reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

Subsequent expenditure is capitalized only if it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the expenditure will flow to the Group.

The Group applies the following annual rates of depreciation to its property and equipment:

Leasehold Improvements	20% or shorter of lease term
Telecom equipment	5% to 33.3%
IT systems and servers	20% to 33.3%
Furniture and office equipment	20% to 33.3%
Transportation equipment	20%

An item of property and equipment is derecognized upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected to arise from the continued use of the asset. Any gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an item of property and equipment is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognized in profit or loss.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Property and equipment (continued)

Land and assets under construction are stated at cost, net of accumulated impairment losses, if any. Depreciation on assets under construction commences when the assets are ready for their intended use. When assets under construction are ready for their intended use, they are transferred to property and equipment or intangible assets. Finance costs on borrowings to finance the construction of qualified assets are capitalized during the period that is required to complete and prepare the asset for its intended use.

Capital advances

Capital advances is paid to supplier of capital equipment. The amount continues to be disclosed as capital advances till such time the asset is delivered. Once the equipment is supplied, the Capital advances is either transferred to telecom equipment or assets under construction.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets with finite useful lives that are acquired separately are carried at cost less accumulated amortization and accumulated impairment losses, if any. They are assessed for impairment whenever there is an indication that the intangible asset may be impaired. Amortization is recognized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful life and amortization method are reviewed at the end of annual reporting period, with the effect of any changes in estimate being accounted for on a prospective basis.

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortized, but are tested for impairment annually, either individually or at the cash-generating unit level. The assessment of indefinite life is reviewed annually to determine whether the indefinite life continues to be supportable. If not, the change in useful life from indefinite to finite is made on a prospective basis.

The Group applies the following annual rates of amortization to its intangible assets:

License fee	2.5%
Computer software licenses	20% to 50%
Indefeasible Rights of Use ("IRU")	6.67% to 10%
Spectrum	6.67%

Brands have an indefinite useful life and are assessed for impairment at annual reporting date.

An intangible asset is derecognized on disposal, or when no future economic benefits are expected from use or disposal. Gains or losses arising from de-recognition of an intangible asset, measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset are recognized in profit or loss when the asset is derecognized.

Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). When it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. When a reasonable and consistent basis of allocation can be identified, corporate assets are also allocated to individual cash-generating units, or otherwise they are allocated to the smallest group of cash-generating units for which a reasonable and consistent allocation basis can be identified.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Impairment of non-financial assets (continued)

Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. 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 for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is reduced to its recoverable amount. An impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

When an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or a cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Costs of inventories are determined on a weighted average basis. Net realizable value represents the estimated selling price for inventories less all estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Non-current assets held for sale

The Group classifies non-current assets and disposal groups as held for sale if their carrying amounts will be recovered principally through a sale transaction rather than through continuing use. Non-current assets and disposal groups classified as held for sale are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Costs to sell are the incremental costs directly attributable to the disposal of an asset (disposal group), excluding finance costs and income tax expense.

The criteria for held for sale classification is regarded as met only when the sale is highly probable, and the asset or disposal group is available for immediate sale in its present condition. Actions required to complete the sale should indicate that it is unlikely that significant changes to the sale will be made or that the decision to sell will be withdrawn. Management must be committed to the plan to sell the asset and the sale expected to be completed within one year from the date of the classification.

Property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are not depreciated or amortised once classified as held for sale.

Assets and liabilities classified as held for sale are presented separately as current items in the statement of financial position.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and deposits held with banks whose original maturities do not exceed three months and are available for use by the Group unless otherwise stated. The deposits are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Employee benefits

End of service benefits

The end-of-service indemnity provision is determined using the projected unit credit method, with actuarial valuations being carried out at the end of each reporting period. Re-measurements, comprising actuarial gains and losses, are reflected immediately in the statement of changes in equity as a remeasurement reserve with a charge or credit recognized in other comprehensive income in the period in which they occur. Re-measurements recognized in other comprehensive income will not be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods.

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation resulting from plan amendments or curtailments are recognized immediately in profit or loss as past service costs. Interest is calculated by applying the discount rate at the beginning of the period to the net defined benefit liability or asset. Defined benefit costs are categorized as follows:

- service cost (including current service cost, past service cost, as well as gains and losses on curtailments and settlements);
- interest expense; and
- Re-measurements

The Group presents the first two components of defined benefit costs in profit or loss in the line item “Operating and administrative expenses”.

Retirement benefits

The Group pays retirement contributions for its Saudi Arabian employees to the General Organization for Social Insurance. This represents a defined contribution plan. The payments made are expensed as incurred.

Short-term employee benefits

A liability is recognized for benefits accruing to employees in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave, sick leave and air tickets in the period the related service is rendered at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid in exchange for that service.

Liabilities recognized in respect of short-term employee benefits are measured at the undiscounted amount of the benefits expected to be paid in exchange for the related service.

Government grants

Government grants are not recognized until there is reasonable assurance that the Group will comply with the conditions attaching to them and that the grants will be received.

Government grants related to the property and equipment are recorded as a deduction from the cost of the assets in arriving at the respective carrying amount. Any advance amount received is recorded as deferred grant and adjusted against recorded capital expenditure on assets. An excess realized is recorded under other income.

Grant related to income (reimbursement of expenses) are adjusted against the related expenses.

Foreign currencies

Transactions in currencies other than the Group’s functional currency (foreign currencies), which is Saudi Riyals, are recognized at the rates of exchange prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated. Exchange differences on monetary items are recognized in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

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Zakat

Zakat is calculated and provided for by the Group in accordance with Saudi Arabian fiscal regulations and is charged to profit or loss. The zakat is submitted on a group basis. It is calculated using zakat rates that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Share capital

Financial instruments issued by the Group are classified as equity only to the extent that they do not meet the definition of a financial liability or financial asset. The Group's ordinary shares are classified as equity instruments.

Statutory Reserve

In accordance with Company's by-laws and the Regulations for Companies in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Company is required to recognise a reserve comprising of 10% of its profit for the year until it reached 30% of the share capital. This reserve is currently not distributable to the Shareholders.

Cash dividends

The Company's dividends policy is approved by the General Assembly and the Company recognizes a liability to pay a dividend when the distribution is authorized. A corresponding amount is recognized directly in equity.

Provisions

Provisions are recognized when the Group has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that the Group will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Contingencies

Contingent assets are not recognized as an asset until realization becomes virtually certain. Contingent liabilities, other than those arising on acquisition of subsidiaries, are not recognized as a liability unless as a result of past events it is probable that an outflow of economic resources will be required to settle a present, legal or constructive obligation; and the amount can be reliably estimated. Contingent liabilities arising in a business combination are recognized if their fair value can be measured reliably.

Leases

The Group as a lessee

The Group assesses whether contract is or contains a lease, at inception of the Contract. The Group recognizes a right of use asset and a corresponding lease liability on the date on which the lessor makes the asset available for use by the Group (the commencement date).

On that date, the Group measures the right of use at cost, which comprises of:

- the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability.
- any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received
- any initial direct costs, and

an estimate of costs to be incurred to restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease as a consequence of having used the underlying asset during a particular period; this is recognised as part of the cost of the right of use asset when the Group incurs the obligation for those costs, which may be at the commencement date or as a consequence of having used the asset during a particular period. At the commencement date, the Group measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date. On that date, the lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be readily determined. If that rate cannot be readily determined, the Group uses its incremental borrowing rate. Variable lease payments are only included in the measurement of the lease liability if they depend on an index or rate. In such cases, the initial measurement of the lease liability assumes the variable element will remain unchanged throughout the lease term. Other variable lease payments are expensed in the period to which they relate.

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Leases (continued)

The Group as a lessee (continued)

Lease payments included in measurement of the lease liability comprise the following payments for the right to use the underlying asset during the lease term that are not paid at the commencement date:

- fixed payments (including in-substance fixed payments), less any lease incentives receivable
- variable lease payment that are based on an index or a rate
- amounts expected to be payable by the lessee under residual value guarantees
- the exercise price of a purchase option if the lessee is reasonably certain to exercise that option, and
- payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the lessee exercising that option.

Payments associated with leases of short term leases and low-value assets are recognized on a straight-line basis as an expense in profit or loss.

Whenever the Group incurs an obligation for costs to dismantle and remove a leased asset, restore the site on which it is located or restore the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, a provision is recognized and measured under IAS 37. To the extent that the costs relate to a right-of-use asset, the costs are included in the related right-of-use asset, unless those costs are incurred to produce inventories.

Subsequent Measurement

After the commencement date, the Group measures the right-of-use asset at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the lease term. The Group determines whether a right of use asset is impaired and recognizes any impairment loss identified in the statement of profit or loss. The depreciation starts at the commencement date of the lease.

The Group applies IAS 36 to determine whether a right-of-use asset is impaired and accounts for an identified impairment loss.

After the commencement date, the Group measures lease liability by increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability and reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payment made.

The Group re-measures the lease liability (and makes a corresponding adjustment to the related right-of-use asset) whenever:

- The lease term has changed or there is a significant event or change in circumstances resulting in a change in the assessment of exercise of a purchase option, in which case the lease liability is re-measured by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate.
- The lease payments change due to changes in an index or rate or a change in expected payment under a guaranteed residual value, in which cases the lease liability is remeasured by discounting the revised lease payments using an unchanged discount rate (unless the lease payments change is due to a change in a floating interest rate, in which case a revised discount rate is used).

A lease contract is modified and the lease modification is not accounted for as a separate lease, in which case the lease liability is re-measured based on the lease term of the modified lease by discounting the revised lease payments using a revised discount rate at the effective date of the modification.

Each lease payment is allocated between the liability and the finance cost. The finance cost is charged to profit or loss over the lease period so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability for each period. The constant periodic rate of interest is the discount rate used at the initial measurement of lease liability.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Leases (continued)

The Group as a lessee (continued)

For a contracts that contain a lease component and one or more additional lease or non-lease components, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of the relative stand-alone price of the lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

the Group is the lessor

Leases for which the Group is a lessor are classified as finance or operating leases. Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Rental income from operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

When a contract includes lease and non-lease components, the Group applies IFRS 15 to allocate consideration under the contract to each component.

Revenue

The Group recognizes revenue from contracts with customers based on a five-step model as set out in IFRS 15. Revenue is recognized based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer and excludes amounts collected on behalf of third parties. The Group recognizes revenue when it transfers control over a product or services to a customer.

The timing of revenue recognition is either at a point in time or over time depending upon the satisfaction of the performance obligation by transferring control of goods or services to the customer.

When there is a high degree of uncertainty about the possibility of collection from certain customers, the Group recognizes revenue only upon collection.

Revenues from operations consist of recurring revenues, such as billings to customers for monthly subscription fees, roaming, leased line and airtime usage fees, and non-recurring revenues, such as one-time connection fees, and telephone equipment and accessory sales.

Telecommunication services

Revenue from mobile telecommunication services provided to postpaid and prepaid customers is recognized as services are transferred. When the customer performs first, for example, by prepaying its promised consideration, the Group has a contract liability. If the Group performs first by satisfying a performance obligation, the Group has a contract asset. Consideration received from the sale of prepaid credit is recognized as contract liability until such time the customer uses the services when it is recognized as revenue.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue (continued)

Bundled packages

The Group provides subsidized handsets to its customers along with mobile telecommunication services. IFRS 15 requires entities to allocate a contract's transaction price to each performance obligation based on their relative stand-alone selling price. This resulted in reallocation of a portion of revenue from trading revenue to service revenue which was earlier recognized upfront on signing of the customer contract and correspondingly a creation of contract asset, which includes also some items previously presented as trade and other receivables. Contract asset represents receivable from customers that has not yet legally come into existence. The standalone selling prices are determined based on observable prices.

Handsets

Revenue from device sales is recognized when the device is delivered to the customer. This usually occurs when a customer signs the contract. For devices sold separately, customer pays in full at the point of sale. Revenue from voice, messaging, internet services etc. are included in the bundled package and are recognized as the services are rendered during the period of the contract.

Principal vs. agent

Significant judgement is required in determining whether the Group is acting as principal, reporting revenue on a gross basis, or acting as an agent, reporting revenue on a net basis. The Group evaluates if it controls the performance obligation of each service

The Group assesses different categories of revenue, however, before concluding on whether it is acting as a principal or an agent, the Group exercises judgement considering the nature of the product and solution offering, complexity involved in delivering the product and solution, level of control available to the Group in the process of delivering the product and solution.

Sales of product and services in which the Group acts as a principal are presented on a gross basis.

Sales of product and services where there is no involvement of the Group for fulfilling the performance obligation is presented on a net basis. These generally includes the sale of certain third- party services, post contract support, software, third-party hosted Cloud arrangements and other related services.

Amounts collected by the group on behalf of a third party are accounted for as a payable in the statement of consolidated financial position until they are settled and do not gross up revenue and expenses. Similarly, amounts prepaid by the group to a third party on behalf of customers are recognized as a receivable until they are recovered and do not gross up revenues and expenses.

Revenue from value added services (VAS) sharing arrangements depend on the analysis of the facts and circumstances surrounding these transactions. Revenue from VAS is recognized when the Group performs the related service and, depending on the Group's control or lack of control on the services transferred to the customer, is recognized either at the gross amount billed to the customer or the amount receivable by the Group as commission for facilitating the service.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Revenue (continued)

Variable consideration

In determining the transaction price, the Group considers the effects of variable consideration. If the consideration in a contract includes a variable amount, the Group estimates the amount of consideration to which it will be entitled in exchange for transferring the products and services to the customer. The variable consideration is estimated at contract inception and constrained until it is highly probable that a significant revenue reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognized will not occur when the associated uncertainty with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved.

Significant financing component

If a customer can pay for purchased equipment or services over a period, IFRS 15 requires judgement to determine if the contract includes a significant financing component. If it does, then the transaction price is adjusted to reflect the time value of money.

Commissions and other contract costs

Under IFRS 15, certain incremental costs incurred in acquiring a contract with a customer is deferred on the consolidated statement of financial position and amortized as revenue is recognized under the related contract; this will generally lead to the later recognition of charges for some commissions payable to third party distributors and employees. Intermediaries are given incentives by the Group to acquire new customers and upgrade existing customers. Activation commission and renewal commission paid on post-paid connections are amortized over the period of the contract. In case of prepaid customers, commission costs are expensed when incurred.

Customer loyalty programs

The Group operates a customer loyalty program that provides a variety of benefits for customers. The Group allocates the consideration received between products and services in a bundle including loyalty points as separate performance obligation based on their stand-alone selling prices.

Installation and activation services

Revenue from sale of SIM is recognized at the point in time upon activation when end customer takes control of the SIM. The Group provides installation services that are bundled together with the sale of devices to a customer. Contracts for bundled sales of devices and installation services are comprised of one performance obligations because the promises to transfer devices and provide installation services are not capable of being distinct. Accordingly, the Group recognizes revenue from bundled sales of devices and installation services over time, using an input method to measure progress towards complete satisfaction of the service, because the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Group.

Contract balances

Contract assets

A contract asset is the Group's right to consideration in exchange for goods and services transferred by the Group to the customer. If the Group transfers goods or services to a customer before the customer pays any consideration or before payment is due, a contract asset is recognized for the earned consideration that is conditional.

Contract assets are subject to impairment assessment. Refer to accounting policies on impairment of financial assets.

Contract liabilities

A contract liability is recognized if a payment is received or a payment is due (whichever is earlier) from a customer before the Group transfers the related goods or services. Contract liabilities are recognized as revenue when the Group performs under the contract (i.e. transfers control of the related goods or services to the customer).

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments

Classification, recognition, and presentation

Financial instruments are recognized in the consolidated statement of financial position when and only when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument. The Group determines the classification of its financial instruments at initial recognition.

The Group classifies its financial assets within the following categories:

- a) at fair value (either through other comprehensive income, or through profit or loss); and
- b) at amortized cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets (for debt instruments) and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortized cost or fair value through OCI, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are 'solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI)' on the principal amount outstanding. This assessment is referred to as the SPPI test and is performed at an instrument level. Financial assets with cash flows that are not SPPI are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model.

The Group's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Financial assets classified and measured at amortized cost are held within a business model with the objective to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows while financial assets classified and measured at fair value through OCI are held within a business model with the objective of both holding to collect contractual cash flows and selling.

Derivatives embedded in host contracts are treated as separate derivatives when their risks and characteristics are not closely related to those of host contracts and the host contracts are not measured at fair value with changes in fair value recognized in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Measurement

Initial measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets and issue of financial liabilities or, where appropriate, deducted from them. (Except for financial assets and financial liabilities classified at fair value where transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition of financial assets or financial liabilities are recognized directly in the consolidated statement of profit or loss). Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within a timeframe established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognized on the trade date, i.e., the date that the Group commits to purchase or sell the asset.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Measurement (continued)

Subsequent measurement of financial assets

The subsequent measurement of the non-derivative financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

a) Financial assets measured at amortized cost:

Assets that are held to collect contractual cash flows are measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate ('EIR') method where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income. The financial assets at amortized cost consist of trade receivables, term deposits, cash and cash equivalents, and other receivables.

b) Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss:

Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL") are measured at each reporting date at fair value without the deduction of transaction costs that the Group may incur on sale or disposal of the financial asset in the future.

c) Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income:

Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") are measured at each reporting date at fair value without the deduction of transaction costs that the Group may incur on sale or disposal of the financial asset in the future.

When a financial asset is derecognized, the accumulated gain or loss recognized previously in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income is reclassified to the consolidated statement of profit and loss. However, there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to the consolidated statement of profit and loss in the case of equity instruments.

The recognition and presentation of gains and losses for each measurement category are as follows:

a) Financial assets measured at amortized cost:

The following items are recognized in the consolidated statement of profit or loss:

- finance income using the effective interest method;
- expected credit losses (or reversals of such losses); and
- foreign exchange gains and losses.

When the financial asset is derecognized, the gain or loss is recognized in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

b) Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss:

Gains and losses, both on subsequent measurement and derecognition, are recognized in consolidated statement of profit or loss.

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Financial instruments (continued)

Measurement (continued)

Subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

b) Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss: (continued)

Gains and losses are recognized in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, except for the following items, which are recognized in consolidated statement of profit or loss in the same manner as for financial assets measured at amortized cost:

- finance income using the average effective interest method;
- expected credit losses (or reversals of such losses); and
- foreign exchange gains and losses.

Impairment of financial assets

For trade receivables and contract assets, the Group applies a simplified approach in calculating ECLs. Therefore, the Group does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognizes an allowance base on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date.

The Group established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment. For government, related parties and key private customers, the Group estimates the loss allowance based on the internal assessment to evaluate the collectability of the balances and such assessment is done based on the available information and negotiations underway. An estimate of the collectible amount is made when collection of the amount is no longer probable. For certain customer categories, this estimate is performed on an individual basis while other customer categories are assessed collectively and an allowance is applied according to the length of time past due.

The Group assumes that the credit risk on a financial asset has increased significantly if it is more than 30 days past due. The Group considers a financial asset to be in default when:

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

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

Measurement of ECLs

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as 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 Group expects to receive).

ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset.

Credit-impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets carried at amortized cost and debt securities at FVOCI 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.

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Financial instruments (continued)

Measurement (continued)

Subsequent measurement of financial assets (continued)

b) Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss: (continued)

Impairment of financial assets (continued)

Presentation of impairment

Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortized cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

Impairment loss allowance related to trade and other receivables, including contract assets, are presented separately in statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Subsequent measurement of financial liabilities

a) Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost:

The Group should classify all financial liabilities at amortized cost and remeasure subsequently as such, except for:

- financial liabilities at FVTPL;
- financial liabilities that arise when a transfer of a financial asset does not qualify for derecognition or is accounted for using the continuing involvement approach;
- commitments to provide a loan at a below-market interest rate and not measured at fair value through profit or loss; and
- financial guarantee contracts.

Financial liabilities classified at amortized cost are measured using the effective interest rate method. When the financial liabilities are derecognized, the gain or loss is recognized in consolidated statement of profit or loss.

b) Liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:

Financial liabilities falling under this category include:

- liabilities held for trading;
- derivative liabilities not designated as hedging instruments; and
- those designated as at FVTPL.

After initial recognition, the Group measures financial liabilities at fair value with changes recognized in the consolidated statement of profit or loss.

Gains or losses on a financial liability designated as at FVTPL are generally split and presented as follows:

- the amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that financial liability is presented in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income
- the remaining amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability is presented in the consolidated statement of profit or loss

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Financial instruments (continued)

Measurement (continued)

Subsequent measurement of financial liabilities (continued)

c) Financial guarantees

A financial guarantee is a contract that requires the Group to make specified payments to reimburse the holder for a loss it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payments when due in accordance with the terms of a debt instrument.

Financial guarantees are measured initially at their fair values and, if not designated as FVTPL and do not arise from a transfer of an asset, are measured subsequently at the higher of:

- the amount of ECL determined in accordance with IFRS 9; and
- the amount recognized initially less, where appropriate, cumulative amortisation recognized in accordance with the revenue recognition policy described in the accounting policies.

De-recognition De-recognition of financial assets:

The Group derecognizes a financial asset only when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or when it transfers the financial asset and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset to another entity. If the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership and continues to control the transferred asset, the Group recognizes its retained interest in the asset and an associated liability for amounts it may have to pay. If the Group retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of a transferred financial asset, the Group continues to recognize the financial asset and also recognizes a collateralized borrowing for the proceeds received.

De-recognition of financial liabilities:

When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognized in the statement of profit or loss.

Offsetting of financial instruments

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the consolidated statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognized amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realize the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

Modifications of financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets

If the terms of a financial asset are modified, the Group evaluates whether the cash flows of the modified asset are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual rights to cash flows from the original financial asset are deemed to have expired. In this case, the original financial asset is derecognized and a new financial asset is recognized at fair value. If the cash flows of the modified asset carried at amortized cost are not substantially different, then the modification does not result in derecognition of the financial asset. In this case, the Group recalculates the gross carrying amount of the financial asset and recognizes the amount arising from adjusting the gross carrying amount as a modification gain or loss in the consolidated statement of income. If such a modification is carried out because of financial difficulties of the borrower, then the gain or loss is presented together with impairment losses. In other cases, it is presented as financing income.

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Financial instruments (continued)

Modifications of financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

Financial liabilities

The Group derecognizes a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flows of the modified liability are substantially different. In this case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognized at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished and the new financial liability with modified terms is recognized in consolidated statement of income.

Derivatives and hedging activities

For hedge accounting, the Group designates derivatives as either hedges of the fair value of recognized assets or liabilities or a firm commitment (fair value hedge); or hedges of a particular risk associated with a recognized asset or liability or a highly probable forecast transaction (cash flow hedge) or hedges of a net investment in a foreign operation (net investment hedge).

At the inception of the hedge relationship, the Group documents the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item, along with its risk management objectives and its strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. Furthermore, at the inception of the hedge and on an ongoing basis, the Group documents whether the hedging instrument is effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk, which is when the hedging relationships meet all of the following hedge effectiveness requirements:

- there is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument;
- the effect of credit risk does not dominate the value changes that result from that economic relationship; and
- the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship is the same as that resulting from the quantity of the hedged item that the Group actually hedges and the quantity of the hedging instrument that the Group actually uses to hedge that quantity of hedged item.

If a hedging relationship ceases to meet the hedge effectiveness requirement relating to the hedge ratio but the risk management objective for that designated hedging relationship remains the same, the Group adjusts the hedge ratio of the hedging relationship (i.e. rebalances the hedge) so that it meets the qualifying criteria again.

The Group designates the full change in the fair value of a forward contract (i.e. including the forward elements) as the hedging instrument for all of its hedging relationships involving forward contracts.

The Group designates only the intrinsic value of option contracts as a hedged item, i.e. excluding the time value of the option. The changes in the fair value of the aligned time value of the option are recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the cost of hedging reserve. If the hedged item is transaction-related, the time value is reclassified to profit or loss when the hedged item affects profit or loss. If the hedged item is time-period related, then the amount accumulated in the cost of hedging reserve is reclassified to profit or loss on a rational basis - the Group applies straight-line amortization. Those reclassified amounts are recognised in profit or loss in the same line as the hedged item. If the hedged item is a non-financial item, then the amount accumulated in the cost of hedging reserve is removed directly from equity and included in the initial carrying amount of the recognised non-financial item. Furthermore, if the Group expects that some or all of the loss accumulated in cost of hedging reserve will not be recovered in the future, that amount is immediately reclassified to profit or loss.

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4 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Derivatives and hedging activities (continued)

Fair value hedges

The fair value change on qualifying hedging instruments is recognised in profit or loss except when the hedging instrument hedges an equity instrument designated at FVOCI in which case it is recognised in other comprehensive income. The carrying amount of a hedged item not already measured at fair value is adjusted for the fair value change attributable to the hedged risk with a corresponding entry in profit or loss. For debt instruments measured at FVOCI, the carrying amount is not adjusted as it is already at fair value, but the hedging gain or loss is recognised in profit or loss instead of other comprehensive income.

When the hedged item is an equity instrument designated at FVOCI, the hedging gain or loss remains in other comprehensive income to match that of the hedging instrument. Where hedging gains or losses are recognised in profit or loss, they are recognised in the same line as the hedged item.

The Group discontinues hedge accounting only when the hedging relationship (or a part thereof) ceases to meet the qualifying criteria (after rebalancing, if applicable). This includes instances when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. The discontinuation is accounted for prospectively. The fair value adjustment to the carrying amount of the hedged item arising from the hedged risk is amortised to profit or loss from that date.

Cash flow hedges

The effective portion of changes in the fair value of derivatives and other qualifying hedging instruments that are designated and qualify as cash flow hedges is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated under the heading of cash flow hedging reserve, limited to the cumulative change in fair value of the hedged item from inception of the hedge. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss, and is included in the 'other gains and losses' line item.

Amounts previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are reclassified to profit or loss in the periods when the hedged item affects profit or loss, in the same line as the recognised hedged item. However, when the hedged forecast transaction results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or a non-financial liability, the gains and losses previously recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in equity are removed from equity and included in the initial measurement of the cost of the non-financial asset or non-financial liability. This transfer does not affect other comprehensive income. Furthermore, if the Group expects that some or all of the loss accumulated in the cash flow hedging reserve will not be recovered in the future, that amount is immediately reclassified to profit or loss.

The Group discontinues hedge accounting only when the hedging relationship (or a part thereof) ceases to meet the qualifying criteria (after rebalancing, if applicable). This includes instances when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated or exercised. The discontinuation is accounted for prospectively. Any gain or loss recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in cash flow hedge reserve at that time remains in equity and is reclassified to profit or loss when the forecast transaction occurs. When a forecast transaction is no longer expected to occur, the gain or loss accumulated in cash flow hedge reserve is reclassified immediately to profit or loss.

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Financial instruments (continued)

Derivatives and hedging activities (continued)

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations

Hedges of net investments in foreign operations are accounted for similarly to cash flow hedges. Any gain or loss on the foreign currency forward contracts relating to the effective portion of the hedge is recognised in other comprehensive income and accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve. The gain or loss relating to the ineffective portion is recognised immediately in profit or loss, and is included in the 'other gains and losses' line item. Gains and losses on the hedging instrument accumulated in the foreign currency translation reserve are reclassified to profit or loss on the disposal or partial disposal of the foreign operation.

5 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATED AND ASSUMPTIONS

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRSs that are endorsed in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia requires the use of certain critical estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the reporting date and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. The Group makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

Significant estimates in applying accounting policies

Gross versus net presentation

When the Group sells goods or services as a principal, revenue and payments to suppliers are reported on a gross basis in revenue and operating costs. If the Group sells goods or services as an agent, revenue and payments to suppliers are recorded in revenue on a net basis, representing the margin earned.

Whether the Group is considered to be the principal or an agent in the transaction depends on analysis by management of both the legal form and substance of the agreement between the Group and its business partners; such judgements impact the amount of reported revenue and operating expenses but do not impact reported assets, liabilities or cash flows.

Impairment of non-financial assets

An impairment exists when the carrying value of an asset or CGU exceeds its recoverable amount, which is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. The fair value less costs of disposal calculation is based on available data from binding sales transactions, conducted at arm's length for similar assets or observable market prices less incremental costs for disposing of the asset. The value in use calculation is based on a discounted cash flow (DCF) model. The cash flows are derived from the budget for the next five years and do not include restructuring activities that the Group is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance the asset's performance of the CGU being tested. The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the discount rate used for the DCF model as well as the expected future cash-inflows and the growth rate used for extrapolation purposes.

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5 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATED AND ASSUMPTIONS (continued)

Significant estimates in applying accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of Trade receivable and Contract assets

The Group uses a provision matrix to calculate expected credit loss on trade receivables and contract assets. The provision matrix is initially based on the Group's historical observed default rates. The Group calibrates the matrix to adjust the historical loss experience with forward looking information. At the end of each reporting date, the Group updates its historical default rates and reflects that in future estimates.

The Group recognizes an allowance for impairment loss of 100% against all trade receivables that are aged over 365 days, except for balances with related parties and balances still collectable where credit quality did not deteriorate based on historical experience of the Group.

For government, related parties and key private customers, the Group estimates the loss allowance based on the internal assessment to evaluate the collectability of the balances and such assessment is done based on the available information and negotiations underway. An estimate of the collectible amount is made when collection of the amount is no longer probable. For certain customer categories, this estimate is performed on an individual basis while other customer categories are assessed collectively and an allowance is applied according to the length of time past due.

Arrangements with multiple performance obligation

In revenue arrangements where more than one good or service is provided to the customer, customer consideration is allocated between the goods and services using relative fair value principles. The Group generally determines the fair value of individual elements based on prices at which the deliverable is regularly sold on a stand-alone basis. Revision to the estimates of these fair values may significantly affect the allocation of total arrangement consideration among the individual elements

Useful lives and residual values of property and equipment and intangible assets

An estimate of the useful lives and residual values of property and equipment and intangible assets, which comprise a significant portion of the Group's total assets, is made for the purposes of calculating depreciation and amortization respectively. These estimates are made based on expected usage for useful lives. Residual value is determined based on experience and observable data where available.

Employees' end of service benefits obligation

The Group makes various estimates in determining the provision for employees' end of service benefits. These estimates are disclosed in note 20.

Zakat assessments

Provision for zakat and withholding taxes is determined by the Group in accordance with the requirements of the Zakat, Tax, and Customs Authority ("ZATCA") and is subject to change based on final assessments received from the ZATCA. The Group recognizes liabilities for any anticipated zakat and withholding tax based on management's best estimates of whether additional zakat/taxes will be due. The final outcome of any additional amount assessed by the ZATCA is dependent on the eventual outcome of the appeal process which the Group is entitled to. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences could impact the consolidated statement of profit or loss in the period in which such final determination is made.

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5 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS, ESTIMATED AND ASSUMPTIONS (continued)

Significant estimates in applying accounting policies (continued)

Fair value measurement of financial instruments

When the fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded in the statement of financial position cannot be measured based on quoted prices in active markets, their fair value is measured using valuation techniques including the discounted cash flow (DCF) model. The inputs to these models are taken from observable markets where possible, but where this is not feasible, a degree of judgement is required in establishing fair values. Judgements include considerations of inputs such as liquidity risk, credit risk and volatility. Changes in assumptions relating to these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments. See Note 30 for further disclosures.

Determining the lease term of contracts with renewal and termination options – Group as lessee

The Group determines the lease term as the non-cancellable term of the lease, together with any periods covered by an option to extend the lease if it is reasonably certain to be exercised, or any periods covered by an option to terminate the lease, if it is reasonably certain not to be exercised. The Group applies judgement in evaluating whether it is reasonably certain whether or not to exercise the option to renew or terminate the lease. That is, it considers all relevant factors that create an economic incentive for it to exercise either the renewal or termination. After the commencement date, the Group reassesses the lease term if there is a significant event or change in the circumstances that is within its control and affects its ability to exercise or not to exercise the option to renew or to terminate the contract.

Leases - Estimating the incremental borrowing rate

The Group cannot readily determine the interest rate implicit in the lease, therefore, it uses its incremental borrowing rate (IBR) to measure lease liabilities. The IBR is the rate of interest that the Group would have to pay to borrow over a similar term, and with a similar security, the funds necessary to obtain an asset of a similar value to the right-of-use asset in a similar economic environment. The IBR therefore reflects what the Group 'would have to pay', which requires estimation when no observable rates are available or when they need to be adjusted to reflect the terms and conditions of the lease. The Group estimates the IBR using observable inputs (such as market interest rates) when available and is required to make certain entity-specific estimates.

6 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2022	2021
Cash in hand	1,678	1,313
Cash at banks	373,752	510,664
Cash and bank balance	375,430	511,977
Cash at bank under lien	(1,068)	(4,788)
	374,362	507,189

The Group invests part of the surplus cash in time deposits with maturity period of three month or less with local commercial banks. The annual commission average rates on these deposits during 2022 were 2.18% (2021: 0.4%). The total commission earned by the Group during 2022 was SR 10.2 million (2021: SR 1.3 million).

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7 TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2022	2021
Trade receivables	3,867,573	3,296,072
Less: Expected credit losses	(1,079,698)	(1,083,014)
Net trade receivables	2,787,875	2,213,058
Other operators' receivable	563,116	318,039
Advances to suppliers and others	135,885	141,685
Other advances	92,976	-
Prepayments	43,380	16,717
Advances for transmission lines and fiber links	10,583	13,828
Other receivables	356,449	285,021
	3,990,264	2,988,348

The breakdown of the Trade receivables is in Note 31 The carrying amounts of the Group's trade and other receivables are denominated in the following currencies:

	2022	2021
Saudi Riyals	3,846,694	2,910,942
US Dollars	143,570	77,406
	3,990,264	2,988,348

The average credit period on sales of goods and services is 30 days. No interest is charged on trade receivables. Historical loss experience and derives loss rates based on historical loss rates to reflect the information about current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecast of future economic conditions. The Group recognizes an allowances against expected credit loss based on ECL model considering the ageing of its overdue debtors which increases as the debtors become more overdue as historical experience indicates that the likelihood of amounts being recoverable decreases the more the amount is overdue.

The Group performs credit-vetting procedures before granting credit to new customers. These procedures are reviewed and updated on an ongoing basis. There have been no changes to these procedures from the previous year.

Two of the Group's debtors comprise 26% of the total trade receivables balance (2021: 26%). There are no other customers who comprise more than 10% of the total trade receivables balance.

Age of overdue trade receivables not provided for

	2022			2021		
	Gross	Not credit impaired	Credit impaired	Gross	Not credit impaired	Credit impaired
Not due /< 30 days	737,991	737,584	407	533,909	533,587	322
31 – 60 days	157,972	157,842	130	83,155	83,107	48
61 – 90 days	133,561	133,319	242	67,230	67,167	63
91 – 180 days	261,273	231,618	29,655	175,644	151,329	24,315
181 - 360 days	1,049,160	984,037	65,123	832,252	777,637	54,615
> 361 days	1,527,616	543,475	984,141	1,603,882	600,231	1,003,651
	3,867,573	2,787,875	1,079,698	3,296,072	2,213,058	1,083,014

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There were no amounts at the reporting date that were neither past due nor impaired for which the credit quality had reduced since the initial granting of credit.

Movement in the allowance for expected credit losses

	2022	2021
Opening balance	1,083,014	1,269,863
Charged for the year	223,025	146,176
Amount written off during the year	(219,739)	(193,626)
Amounts reversed during the year	(6,602)	(139,399)
Closing balance	1,079,698	1,083,014

Total amount charge in consolidated statement of profit or loss

	2022	2021
Expected credit loss for the year	223,025	146,176
Reversal during the year*	(6,602)	(139,399)
Closing balance	216,423	6,777

In determining the recoverability of a trade receivable, the Group considers any change in the credit quality of the trade receivable from the date credit was initially granted up to the end of the reporting period. The concentration of credit risk is limited due to the fact that the customer base is large and unrelated. The Group does not hold any collateral over the impaired trade receivables.

* Represents the recovery of the amounts provided for in prior periods.

8 CONTRACT BALANCES

Contract assets

	2022	2021
Unbilled revenue	496,971	358,779
Less: Allowance for expected credit loss	(1,103)	(2,733)
	495,868	356,046
Current	150,971	67,224
Non-current	344,897	288,822
	495,868	356,046

Movement on the expected credit allowance on contract assets

	2022	2021
Opening balance	2,733	2,539
Amounts (reversed)/charged during the year	(1,630)	194
Closing balance	1,103	2,733

Deferred income and contract liabilities

	2022	2021
Contract liabilities – Prepaid Customers	298,994	548,792
Deferred income- Government Grant (refer note 34)	52,257	52,257
	351,251	601,049

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9 INVENTORIES

	2022	2021
Handsets and accessories	144,287	220,827
Sim cards	6,144	5,774
Prepaid recharge cards	700	1,626
Others	8,511	2,445
	159,642	230,672
Less: provision for obsolescence	(12,963)	(16,949)
	146,679	213,723
Cost of inventories recognized as an expense	1,121,337	765,452
<u>Movement on the provision for obsolescence</u>		
	2022	2021
Opening balance	16,949	17,628
Amounts reversed during the year	(3,986)	(679)
Closing balance	12,963	16,949

10 RIGHT OF USE ASSETS

The recognized right-of-use assets relate to the following types of assets:

2022

	Land and building	Cellular and other equipment	Total
Opening Balance	1,206,188	124,787	1,330,975
Additions	439,918	215,992	655,910
Amortizations	(110,338)	(84,164)	(194,502)
Retirements	5,756	(7,906)	(2,150)
Reclassification to Held For Sale (refer note 37)	(1,000,367)	-	(1,000,367)
Closing balance	541,157	248,709	789,866

2021

Opening Balance	1,212,659	72,229	1,284,888
Additions	313,156	209,994	523,150
Amortizations	(318,930)	(96,565)	(415,495)
Retirements	(697)	(60,871)	(61,568)
Closing balance	1,206,188	124,787	1,330,975

The total amount recorded in consolidated statement of profit or loss for right of use assets includes 12 million (31 December 2021 63 million) with respect to site rent.

Land and building comprises mainly of telecommunication sites on lease.

The Group does not have any lease contracts with variable lease payments which are not included in the measurement of the lease liabilities.

The Group's leasing activities and how these are accounted for;

The Group mostly leases indoor and outdoor spaces for installation of its telecommunications sites. Rental contracts are typically made for fixed periods of 1 to 10 years but may have extension options. Lease terms are negotiated on an individual basis and contain a wide range of different terms and conditions. The lease agreements do not impose any covenants, but leased assets may not be used as security for borrowing purposes

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	Land	Leasehold improvements	Telecom equipment	IT systems and servers	Furniture and office equipment	Transportation equipment	Assets under construction	Total
Cost								
At 1 January 2022	6,549	319,609	16,187,579	701,911	147,653	3,851	622,783	17,989,935
Additions	-	2,929	378,410	119,036	1,594	-	315,620	817,589
Transfers	-	98	546,195	90,880	1,597	-	(726,893)	(88,123)
Disposals	-	-	(76,993)	(93)	(52)	-	(1,334)	(78,472)
Transfer to Held for Sale	-	-	(2,656,019)	-	-	-	(213)	(2,656,232)
At 31 December 2022	6,549	322,636	14,379,172	911,734	150,792	3,851	209,963	15,984,697

At 1 January 2022	-	311,233	10,279,789	612,760	142,315	3,843	-	11,349,940
Charge for the year	-	4,123	1,023,862	48,201	3,414	8	-	1,079,608
Disposals	-	-	(76,238)	(84)	(30)	-	-	(76,352)
Transfer to Held for Sale	-	-	(1,294,090)	-	-	-	-	(1,294,090)
At 31 December 2022	-	315,356	9,933,323	660,877	145,699	3,851	-	11,059,106
Net book value	6,549	7,280	4,445,849	250,857	5,093	-	209,963	4,925,591

At 1 January 2021	6,549	317,275	15,266,221	670,482	146,867	3,851	624,463	17,035,708
Additions	-	1,492	851,136	24,547	786	-	78,195	956,156
Transfer	-	842	70,222	6,895	-	-	(79,875)	(1,916)
Disposals	-	-	-	(13)	-	-	-	(13)
At 31 December 2021	6,549	319,609	16,187,579	701,911	147,653	3,851	622,783	17,989,935
Depreciation								
At 1 January 2021	-	303,357	9,164,931	571,624	135,132	3,827	-	10,178,871
Charge for the year	-	7,876	1,114,858	41,143	7,183	16	-	1,171,076
Disposals	-	-	-	(7)	-	-	-	(7)
At 31 December 2021	-	311,233	10,279,789	612,760	142,315	3,843	-	11,349,940
Net book value	6,549	8,376	5,907,790	89,151	5,338	8	622,783	6,639,995

The Group has capitalized, internal technical salaries, during the year ended 31 December 2022 amounting to SR 47 million (31 December 2021 amounting to SR 32 million).

During the year, the net additions in property and equipment amounted to SR 722 million, including non-cash addition with an amount of SR 334 million.

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12 CAPITAL ADVANCES
Capital advances

	2022	2021
	191,835	274,841

The Capital advances relate to the payment to supplier in advance and before completion of the project for telecom equipment. Upon completion, the amounts recognized as Capital advances are reclassified to Property and Equipment.

13 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	License fee*	Computer software licenses	IRU **	Brand	Spectrum***	Total
Cost						
At 1 January 2022	23,364,250	467,460	1,490,307	7,500	1,885,489	27,215,006
Additions	-	37,882	59,480	-	-	97,362
Transfers in	-	33,928	54,195	-	-	88,123
At 31 December 2022	23,364,250	539,270	1,603,982	7,500	1,885,489	27,400,491
Amortization						
At 1 January 2022	10,410,388	405,406	454,523	-	383,645	11,653,962
Charge for year	517,138	30,425	106,344	-	125,700	779,607
At 31 December 2022	10,927,526	435,831	560,867	-	509,345	12,433,569
Net book value	12,436,724	103,439	1,043,115	7,500	1,376,144	14,966,922
Cost						
At 1 January 2021	23,364,230	452,820	1,444,061	7,500	1,885,489	27,154,100
Additions	20	12,724	46,246	-	-	58,990
Transfers in	-	1,916	-	-	-	1,916
At 31 December 2021	23,364,250	467,460	1,490,307	7,500	1,885,489	27,215,006
Amortization						
At 1 January 2021	9,893,250	367,854	354,892	-	257,945	10,873,941
Charge for the year	517,138	37,552	99,631	-	125,700	780,021
At 31 December 2021	10,410,388	405,406	454,523	-	383,645	11,653,962
Net book value	12,953,862	62,054	1,035,784	7,500	1,501,844	15,561,044

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13 INTANGIBLE ASSETS (continued)

The net book value and expiry dates of the most significant intangible assets are as follows:

	End of amortization period	2022	2021
License fee	Jan 2047	12,436,724	12,953,862
Right of Use (multiple items)	Between Nov 2025 & Dec 2037	1,043,115	1,035,784
Spectrum 2x10Mhz of 1800Mhz	Dec 2032	470,844	517,525
Spectrum 2x10 of 800 Mhz	Dec 2033	419,302	457,821
Spectrum 2600 & 3500 Mhz	Dec 2034	485,998	526,498
		14,855,983	15,491,490

****License fee***

Pursuant to the Ministerial Resolutions No. 176 dated 25 Jumada I 1428H (corresponding to 11 June 2007) and No. 357 dated 28 Dhu Al-Hijjah 1428H (corresponding to 7 January 2008) and Royal Decree No. 48/M dated 26 Jumada I 1428H (corresponding to 12 June 2007), the 3rd license to provide mobile telecommunication services within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia over 25 years was granted to the Group for an amount of SR 22.91 billion. The license fee also comprises an amount equal to SR 449.18 million relating to financing costs which were capitalized as part of the license cost.

Based on the High Order dated 30 Dhu Al-Hijjah 1437H (corresponding to 1 October 2016), which was announced by the Capital Market Authority on 1 Muharram 1438H (corresponding to 2 October 2016), directed the Communications and Information Technology Commission (CITC) to coordinate with Mobile Telecommunication Company Saudi Arabia to extend its license for an additional 15 years' period. This extended the remaining period to 32 years ending on 21 Rabi Al Awwal 1469H (corresponding to 18 January 2047).

*****Indefeasible Rights of Use ("IRU")***

IRUs corresponds to the right to use a portion of the capacity of a terrestrial or submarine transmission cable granted for a fixed period. IRUs are recognized at cost as an asset when the Group has the specific indefeasible right to use an identified portion of the underlying asset, generally optical fibers or dedicated wavelength bandwidth, and the duration of the right is for the major part of the underlying asset's economic life. They are amortized on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the expected period of use or the life of the contract which ranges between 10 to 20 years.

******Spectrum***

Spectrum corresponds to the radio frequency allocated to the mobile acquired through a bid from CITC. Spectrum is recognized at discount using the interest effective method and amortized on a straight-line basis over contractual payment term. The liability amount related to the Spectrum capitalized under intangible assets is recorded under other non-current liabilities.

*******Brand***

Brand corresponds to the brand "Alo" that the Group acquired, in 2015 for an indefinite useful life, with all its benefits. The brand is not subject to amortization as its life is indefinite. Brand is annually tested for impairment.

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14 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2022	2021
Trade payables	2,020,036	1,446,628
Accruals	1,446,266	1,394,414
Payable to M.O.F - Current (refer note 18-1)	572,523	524,995
Accrued government charges	317,831	125,489
Notes payable	315,187	474,292
M.O.F Accrued Finance Cost (refer note 18-1)	83,272	57,591
Provision for zakat (note 29)	65,541	41,232
Employee related accruals	62,313	48,067
Accrued Financial Charges	59,143	5,001
Other payables	525,218	573,490
	5,467,330	4,691,199

Accrued government charges and other payables contain regulatory and legal provisions with an amount of SR 713 million (2021: SR 391 million). This movement in the provision is a non-cash transaction.

Trade payables includes amount due to related parties amounting to SR 0.6 million (2021: SR 1.7 million) for providing telecommunication services to related parties (refer to note 32).

No interest is charged on trade payables. The Group has financial risk management policies in place to ensure that all payables are paid within the credit timeframe.

15 BORROWINGS

	2022	2021
Syndicate Murabaha facility (refer to note 15.1)	5,487,869	2,954,824
Working Capital Murabaha facility (refer to note 15.1)	520,000	650,000
Junior Murabaha Facility Agreement (refer to note 15.2)	-	2,246,749
Total borrowings	6,007,869	5,851,573

The current and non-current amounts are as follows:

	2022	2021
Current borrowings	836,800	3,213,549
Non-current borrowings	5,171,069	2,638,024
Total borrowings	6,007,869	5,851,573

The carrying amounts of the Group borrowings are denominated in the following currencies:

	2022	2021
Saudi Riyals	4,888,748	5,178,903
US Dollar (presented in Saudi Riyal)	1,119,121	672,670
	6,007,869	5,851,573

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15 BORROWINGS (continued)

15-1 Syndicated Murabaha facility

On 27 September 2020, the Group refinanced and extended the maturity date of its existing five years syndicated Murabaha facility (MFA) obtained from the commercial banks for a total amount available up to SR 6 billion with two years grace period, at commercial market terms. Moreover, the agreement includes a working capital facility of SR 1 billion (originally SR 0.65 billion in 2018) bringing the total facility amounting to SR 7 billion until 2025, bringing additional liquidity for the Group to fund its business growth plans.

As at 31 December 2022, the Group has utilized SR 6.52 billion from existing facility of SR 7 billion, which includes 6 billion from long term facility while SR 0.52 billion is related against the working capital facility. During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group has drawn down SR 2.8 billion from the existing long term facility and 0.52 billion from working capital facility while settling SR 2.25 billion Junior Murabaha facility (also refer note 7-2) and SR 0.65 billion from working capital facility. As at 31 December 2022, total unused facility against MFA amounting to SR 0.48 billion from the working capital facility.

Financing charges, as specified under the “Murabaha financing agreement” are payable in quarterly installments over five years. MFA is secured partially by a guarantee from Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C.P and a pledge of shares of the Group owned by some of the founding shareholders and assignment of certain contracts and receivables and fixed assets up to the outstanding balance at the date of reporting as mentioned above.

The Group is complying with the existing loan covenants.

15-2 Junior Murabaha

On 16 June 2019, the Group signed Junior Murabaha facility agreement amounting to SR 2.25 billion with a consortium of five banks. The duration of the agreement was two years, with an option to be extended for one year upon Group’s request that was exercised by the group. The group obtained the unanimous approval from all the participating banks to extend the maturity of borrowings till 16 June 2022. On 28 April 2022, the Group has voluntary settled the outstanding principal as per the Murabaha Financing agreement.

16 LEASE LIABILITIES

	2022	2021
Opening Balance	1,472,545	1,384,247
Additions	441,922	523,745
Finance Cost	75,964	72,592
Retirements/ termination	(19,265)	(80,522)
Reclassification to Held For Sale (refer note 37)	(801,950)	-
Payments	(489,405)	(427,517)
Closing Balance	679,811	1,472,545
Current	109,820	263,771
Non-Current	569,991	1,208,774
	679,811	1,472,545

Majority of the lease liabilities contracts are denominated in Saudi Riyals. Please refer to note 30 for the maturity analysis of the lease liabilities.

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17 DUE TO RELATED PARTIES

	2022	2021
Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C (refer to note 17.1)	1,230,247	1,444,018
Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C (refer to note 17.3)	5,050	1,262
Founding shareholders (refer to note 17.2)	84,573	84,573
Other related parties	(13)	237
	1,319,857	1,530,090
Current	1,319,857	1,530,090

17-1 Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C

This amount relates to accrued management fees and is payable to the Company's largest shareholder. The amount is unsecured, interest free and does not have any fixed terms of repayment.

17-2 Founding shareholders

This amount relates to accrued finance charges and is payable to the Company's founding shareholders. The amount is unsecured and does not have any fixed terms of repayment but is not repayable until certain conditions are met in the Syndicated Murabaha facility referred to in note 15.1.

17-3 Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C and Infra Capital Investments

These amounts represent the other inter-Company balance and doesn't bear any interest.

18 OTHER NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES

	2022	2021
Payable to M.O.F (refer to note 18-1)	2,487,167	3,059,690
Long-term Payable – Spectrum (refer to note 18-2)	1,171,478	1,282,302
Other	107,969	103,424
	3,766,614	4,445,416

- 18.1 During 2013, the Company has signed an agreement with the Ministry of Finance (MOF), Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to defer payments of its dues to the government for the next seven years ending May 2020. These deferred payments under agreement contain commercial commission payable annually, the amount was repayable equally in seven years starting from June 2021 as per original terms, which was then revised in October 31, 2021. Based on revised scheduling the first repayment amounting to SR 0.538 billion has been settled in November 2021. The amount deferred by the Company as of 31 December 2022 amounted to SR 3.06 billion (31 December 2021: SR 3.6 billion) out of which SR 0.573 billion is recognized under trade and other payables as current portion as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: SR 0.524 billion). The accrued interest related to the MOF payable is recorded under trade and other payables.
- 18.2 As of 31 December 2022, the total outstanding amount payable against spectrum amounts to SR 1.36 billion (31 December 2021: SR: 1.47 billion) out of which SR 0.189 billion is recognized under trade and other payables as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: SR 0.188 billion).

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19 DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group entered into profit rate swaps, which matures in 2025. The maturity of the profit rate swap has been extended till the extended maturity of the refinanced loan (refer note 15-1), . The outstanding notional amount of the contract as at 31 December 2022 was SR 2.9 billion (31 December 2021: SR 3.2 billion) and the fair value was a positive amount of SR 111 million as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: Negative SR 110 million).

The average contracted fixed interest rate ranges from 2% to 3.5%. A gain of SR 221 million was recognized in other comprehensive income for the year ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: gain of SR 96 million) as a result of fair value movements relating to this hedge. The fair value of interest rate swaps at the end of the reporting period is determined by discounting the future cash flows using the curves at the end of the reporting period and the credit risk inherent in the contract.

20 EMPLOYEES' END OF SERVICE BENEFITS OBLIGATION

The Group provides end of service benefits to its employees. The entitlement is based upon the employees' final salary and length of service, subject to the completion of a minimum service year, calculated under the provisions of the labor Law and is payable upon resignation or termination of the employee. The expected costs of these benefits are accrued over the year of employment.

The Group's plan is exposed to actuarial risks such as: discount rate and salary risk.

- Discount risk: A decrease in the discount rate will increase the plan liability.
- Salary risk: The present value of the end of service benefit plan liability is calculated by reference to the estimated future salaries of plan participants. As such, an increase in the salary of the plan participants will increase the plan's liability.

	2022	2021
Opening balance	135,434	125,082
Current service cost	19,018	18,274
Interest cost	6,339	4,302
Payments	(9,818)	(12,176)
Total actuarial loss / (gain)	10,313	(48)
Closing balance	161,286	135,434

The most recent actuarial valuation was performed by Lux Actuaries & Consultants and was performed using the projected unit credit method.

The principal assumptions used for the purposes of the actuarial valuation were as follows:

	2022	2021
Salary increases	5.25%	3%
Discount rate	4%	4%

All movements in the end of service benefits liability are recognized in statement of profit or loss except for the actuarial gain which is recognized in other comprehensive income.

	2022	2021
Base Scenario	161,286	135,434
Discount Rate: Increase by 1%	146,520	122,874
Discount Rate: Decrease by 1%	178,501	150,124
Salary Escalation Rate: Increase by 1%	178,431	150,124
Salary Escalation Rate: Decrease by 1%	146,308	122,646

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20 EMPLOYEES' END OF SERVICE BENEFITS OBLIGATION (Continued)

Particulars	2022	2021
Change in Financial Assumption	(10,007)	43
Change in the Salary Escalation Rate Assumption	-	-
Change in the Discount Rate	(10,007)	43
Change in Demographic Assumption	-	-
Change in the Mortality Rate Assumption	-	-
Change in the Attrition Rate Assumption	-	-
Experience Adjustment	(306)	5
Total Actuarial (loss) / gain	(10,313)	48
Average life of the plan	11.2 years	11.2 years
Other reserve	2022	2021
Opening balance	2,066	2,018
Remeasurement	(10,313)	48
Closing balance	(8,247)	2,066

21 RETIREMENT BENEFIT CONTRIBUTIONS

The Group paid retirement contributions for its Saudi Arabian employees for the year ended 31 December 2022 to the General Organization for Social Insurance SR 28 million (2021: SR 27 million)

22 SHARE CAPITAL

The share capital of the Group as at 31 December 2022 comprised 898,729,175 shares (31 December 2021: 898,729,175) stated at SR 10 per share owned (Refer note 1.3).

23 REVENUE

23.1 Disaggregated revenue information

The total revenue disaggregated by major service lines is:

	2022	2021
Usage charges	5,588,404	4,963,749
Subscription	1,882,988	1,811,779
Sale of goods	1,497,362	796,533
Other revenue	106,418	328,585
	9,075,172	7,900,646
Timing of revenue recognition		
PO satisfied over period of time – airtime and data	7,577,810	7,104,113
PO satisfied a point in time – trading income	1,497,362	796,533

24 COST OF REVENUE

	2022	2021
Access charges	1,668,655	1,411,082
Cost of devices	1,126,362	757,514
Government charges	670,409	662,676
Other	294,376	184,779
	3,759,802	3,016,051

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25 DISTRIBUTION AND MARKETING EXPENSES

	2022	2021
Employees' salaries and related charges	453,493	439,802
Repairs and maintenance	370,145	425,402
Service rendered and Branding fees (Also refer note 17-1)	198,092	117,567
Advertising	138,534	102,380
Microwave Frequency	119,174	93,823
Utilities	110,289	105,910
Leased lines	62,693	52,702
Rent expenses	36,802	19,687
Biometric Expense	18,673	10,953
Consulting	4,779	7,472
Other	61,554	90,851
	1,574,228	1,466,549

26 GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

	2022	2021
Employees' salaries and related charges	206,011	136,593
Repairs and maintenance	99,283	101,113
Legal and professional fees	19,653	5,090
Consulting	8,290	8,392
License and subscription	8,077	7,843
Utilities	92	100
Other	30,093	23,607
	371,499	282,738

27 OTHER INCOME

	2022	2021
WHT refund	41,892	144
Foreign exchange loss	(2,101)	(3,251)
Gain on disposal of assets	100	3,358
Gain on leases	6,164	18,438
Other	2,314	1,690
	48,369	20,379

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28 FINANCE COST

	2022	2021
Syndicate Murabaha facility	289,981	164,090
Related parties (Also refer note 32)	-	13,876
Ministry of finance	108,980	107,292
Interest on leases liability	75,964	72,592
Murabaha facility junior	18,631	50,259
Interest on spectrum	77,874	81,049
Others	2,406	-
	573,836	489,158

29 PROVISION FOR ZAKAT

Components of zakat base

The significant components of the Group's approximate zakat base, for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are subject to certain adjustments under zakat and income tax regulations, principally comprise the following:

	2022	2021
Shareholders' equity at beginning of year	9,149,643	8,933,275
Provisions at beginning of year	1,396,677	1,487,954
Long-term borrowings and shareholders' advances	6,773,858	12,968,313
Other non – current liabilities	2,890,856	1,282,301
Adjusted net profit for the year (see below)	972,360	52,188
Zakat Provision opening balance	41,232	24,254
Property and equipment	(4,917,650)	(7,969,591)
Intangible assets	(14,966,922)	(15,561,044)
Capital advances	(197,460)	(274,841)
Approximate positive Zakat base of the Group	170,234	890,621

Zakat is payable at 2.5% of the higher of the approximate Zakat base or adjusted net income.

Components of adjusted net profit

	2022	2021
Profit for the year	549,666	214,302
Employees' end of service benefits obligation	36,370	10,400
Allowance for expected credit loss and slow moving inventory	185,201	(187,501)
Other provisions	102,301	14,987
Other adjustments	98,822	-
Adjusted net profit for the year	972,360	52,188
Zakat provision	2022	2021
Balance at beginning of the year	41,232	24,254
Charge for the year	24,309	16,978
Balance at end of the year	65,541	41,232

Zakat provision is mentioned under Note 14.

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29 PROVISION FOR ZAKAT (continued)

Components of zakat base (continued)

Total zakat expense charge in consolidated statement of profit or loss

	2022	2021
Zakat for the year	24,309	22,266
Reversal of zakat provision during the year*	-	(5,288)
Closing balance	24,309	16,978

* Represents the reversal of the amount provided for in prior periods.

Status of assessments

The Group had finalized its zakat status up to 2008 and obtained the related certificate.

The Group had submitted its consolidated financial statements along with group zakat returns for the years from 2009 to 2020 and paid zakat according to the filed returns. In 2021 Zain Payment Company – Tamam had submitted, paid and obtained zakat certificate form ZATCA separately, consequently the Group had submitted zakat return for 2021 excluding Zain Payment Company – Tamam.

On 18 Ramadan 1436H (corresponding to 7 July 2015), The Group received the zakat assessments from Zakat, Tax and Customs Authority (ZATCA) for the years from 2009 to 2011 whereby ZATCA asked to pay an additional amount of SR 352 million related to zakat differences.

The Group appealed this claim on 27 August 2015 and was able to have the amount of SR 352 million related to zakat revoked entirely.

The Group received additional assessment of SR 20.3 million for Zakat for the years from 2014 to 2018 which the Group has appealed against these additional claims to the relevant committees. The Group believes this will not result in any material additional provisions. Zakat was assessed by ZATCA and agreed with no additional claim for the years ended 2012 and 2013. The Group has not received Zakat assessment for 2019, 2020 and 2021 yet.

There is no financial impact as the Group has sufficient provisions to cover these amounts.

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30 EARNINGS PER SHARE

Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders

Both the basic and diluted earnings per share have been calculated using the profit attributable to shareholders of the Group as the numerator, i.e. no adjustments to profit were necessary in 2022 or 2021. Profit attributable to the shareholders use in calculating EPS is 550 million for the year 2022 (2021: SR 214 million)

Weighted average number of ordinary shares

The weighted average number of shares in the calculation of basic earnings per share is as follows:

	2022	2021
Outstanding during the year	898,729	898,729
Basic earnings per share (SR)	0.61	0.24

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing the profit after Zakat attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year. There is no dilutive effect on the earnings per share of the Group.

31 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Group's use of financial instruments exposes it to a variety of financial risks. The Group continuously reviews its risk exposures and takes measures to limit it to acceptable levels. The Board of Directors has the overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Group's risk management framework and developing and monitoring the risk management policies in close co-operation with the Group's operating units. The Group's risk management policies are established to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Group, to set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor risks and adherence to limits. Risk management policies and systems are reviewed regularly to reflect changes in market conditions and Group's activities. The Group through its training and management standards and procedures aims to develop a disciplined and constructive control environment in which all employees understand their roles and obligations. The Group's Board Committee oversees how management monitors compliance with the risk management policies and procedures and reviews adequacy of the risk management framework in relation to the risks faced by the Group. The Board Committee is assisted in its oversight role by the internal audit and the Group risk management department.

The Group is exposed through its operations to the following financial risks:

- Market risk
- Foreign exchange risk
- Credit risk
- Interest rate risk, and;
- Liquidity risk.

These risks are discussed below:

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the value of the financial instrument may fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates or the market price due to a change in credit rating of the issuer or the instrument, change in market sentiments, speculative activities, supply and demand of securities and liquidity in the market. The Group is exposed to foreign currency risk and interest rate risk only. The Group uses derivatives to manage market risk.

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Foreign currency risk management

The Group deals with certain vendors in foreign currency transactions, including United States Dollars, Euro, Pound Sterling etc. and the risk pertains to fluctuation of exchange rate which may expose the Group to pay more in functional currency in comparison to the time of recording transaction.

Saudi Riyal currency is considered as the functional currency of the Group which is pegged against the United States Dollar. Therefore, the Group is only exposed to exchange rate fluctuations from transactions denominated in foreign currencies other than United States Dollar.

The Group undertakes transactions denominated in foreign currencies which float against the Saudi Riyal and consequently, exposures to exchange rate fluctuations arise. These amounts are not hedged as the exposures are not considered to be material to the Group.

The carrying amounts of the Group's foreign currency denominated monetary liabilities at the end of the reporting year were as follows:

Foreign currency risk management

Details	Year	Foreign currency	Foreign currency amount	Exchange rate	Amount in SAR
Trade and other payables	2022	Euro	3,495	3.92	13,704
Trade and other payables	2021	Euro	617	4.43	2,735

The carrying amounts of the Group's foreign currency denominated monetary assets at the end of the reporting year were as follows:

2022 Details	Foreign currency	Foreign currency amount	Exchange rate	Amount in SAR
Cash and bank balances	Euro	29	4.02	117
Cash and bank balances	GBP	264	4.53	1,195
				<u>1,312</u>

2021 Details	Foreign currency	Foreign currency amount	Exchange rate	Amount in SAR
Cash and bank balances	Euro	63	4.24	267
Cash and bank balances	GBP	305	5.05	1,541
				<u>1,808</u>

Foreign currency sensitivity analysis

The Group is mainly exposed to the currency of Europe (Euro) and the Pound Sterling (GBP).

The following table details the sensitivity to a 5% increase and decrease in the Saudi Riyal against the relevant foreign currencies. 5% is the sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. The sensitivity analysis includes only outstanding foreign currency denominated monetary items and adjusts their translation at the yearend for a 5% change in foreign currency rates. A positive number below indicates a decrease in profit where the Saudi Riyal strengthens 5% against the relevant currency. For a 5% weakening of the Saudi Riyal against the relevant currency, there would be a comparable impact on profit and the balances below would be negative.

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31 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

2022 Currency	Impact on profit
Euro	6
GBP	60
2021 Currency	Impact on profit
Euro	13
GBP	77

Interest and liquidity risk management

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the board of directors, which has established an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Group's short, medium and long-term funding and liquidity management requirements. The Group manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves, banking facilities and reserve borrowing facilities, by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows, and by matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities. There has been no change to this strategy from the previous year.

The Group is exposed to interest rate risk because entities in the Group borrow funds at floating interest rates. The risk is managed by the Group by the use of interest rate swap contracts. Hedging activities are evaluated regularly to align with interest rate views and defined risk appetite, ensuring the most cost-effective hedging strategies are applied.

The Group's exposures to interest rates on financial assets and financial liabilities are detailed in the liquidity risk management section of this note.

Interest rate sensitivity analysis

The sensitivity analyses below have been determined based on the exposure to interest rates for all unhedged instruments at the end of the reporting period. For floating rate liabilities, the analysis is prepared assuming the amount of the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period was outstanding for the whole year. A 50 basis point increase or decrease is used when reporting interest rate risk internally to key management personnel and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in interest rates.

If interest rates had been 50 basis points higher or lower and all other variables were held constant, the Group's profit for the year ended 31 December 2022 would decrease or increase by SR 2.9Million (31 December 2021: 2.4Million). This is mainly attributable to the Group's exposure to interest rates on its variable rate borrowings;

Credit risk management

Credit risk refers to the risk that a counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Group. Potential concentrations of credit risk consist principally of trade receivables, amounts due from a related party and short-term cash investments. Details of how credit risk relating to trade receivables is managed is disclosed in note 7. The amounts due from a related party are monitored and provision is made, where necessary, for any irrecoverable amounts. Short-term cash investments are only placed with banks with a high credit rating.

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31 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Significant increase in credit risk

Trade receivables generally exposed to significant credit risk, therefore, the Company has established a number of procedures to manage credit risk exposure including limiting transactions with specific counter-parties, evaluation of the customers' credit worthiness, formal credit approvals. The Company follows a credit classification mechanism, primarily driven by the day's delinquency as a tool to manage the quality of credit risk of trade receivables. When determining whether the risk of default has increased significantly since initial recognition, the Group is using simplified approach which requires use of lifetime expected loss provision.

For amounts due from banks, the Group uses the low credit risk exemption as permitted by IFRS 9 based on the external rating agency credit grades. If the financial instrument is rated below BBB- (sub investment grade) on the reporting date, the Group considers it as significant increase in credit risk.

Financial instrument is determined to have low credit risk if:

- The financial instrument has a low risk of default,
- The debtor has a strong capacity to meet its contractual cash flow obligations in the near term, and
- Adverse changes in economic and business conditions in the longer term may, but will not necessarily, reduce the ability of the borrower to fulfil its contractual cash flow obligations.

The Group considers a financial asset to have low credit risk when the asset has external credit rating of 'investment grade' in accordance with the globally understood definition or if an external rating is not available, the asset has an internal rating of 'performing'. Performing means that the counterparty has a strong financial position and there is no past due amounts.

Credit impaired assets

The Group considers a financial asset to be in default when the borrower is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Group in full, there is sufficient doubt about the ultimate collectability; or the customer is past due for more than 90 days.

Incorporation of forward looking information

The Group incorporates forward-looking information into both its assessment of whether the credit risk of an instrument has increased significantly since its initial recognition and its measurement of ECL. The Group has performed historical analysis and identified Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of each geography in which they operate as the key economic variables impacting credit risk and ECL for each portfolio. Relevant macro-economic adjustments are applied to capture variations from economic scenarios. These reflect reasonable and supportable forecasts of future macro-economic conditions that are not captured within the base ECL calculations. Incorporating forward-looking information increases the degree of judgement required as to how changes in GDP will affect ECLs. The methodologies and assumptions including any forecasts of future economic conditions are reviewed regularly.

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31 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

Expected credit loss (ECL) measurement (continued)

The following table contains an analysis of the maximum credit risk exposure of financial instruments for which an ECL allowance is recognized:

	2022	2021
	Simplified approach	Simplified approach
	Lifetime	Lifetime
	Total	Total
Customers	2,926,120	2,483,972
Distributors	157,970	183,782
Contract assets	496,970	358,779
Less: ECL	(1,079,268)	(1,083,597)
	2,501,792	1,942,936
Roaming partners	144,010	102,738
Other operators (interconnect)	572,781	516,943
MVNO Partners	57,997	-
Less: ECL	(1,532)	(2,150)
	773,256	617,531
Other receivables	8,695	8,637
Less: ECL	-	-
	8,695	8,637

ECL allowance of trade and other receivables are assessed as follows:

	2022	2021
Collectively assessed	1,079,268	1,083,597
Individually assessed	1,532	2,150
	1,080,800	1,085,747

The following table shows the movement in the loss allowance that has been recognized for trade and other receivables:

	Collectively	Individually	Total
	assessed	assessed	
1 January 2022 under IFRS 9	1,083,597	2,150	1,085,747
Net increase in loss allowance	223,691	-	223,691
Amount written off During the year	(219,739)	-	(219,739)
Amounts reversed during the year	(8,281)	(618)	(8,899)
31 December 2022	1,079,268	1,532	1,080,800

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Expected credit loss (ECL) measurement (continued)

For customer, distributor and contract assets, the Group uses a provision matrix based on the historic default rates observed and adjusted for forward looking factors to measure ECL as given below.

Aging brackets of postpaid trade receivables	2022			2021		
	Estimated total gross carrying amount at default	Expected credit loss rate %	Lifetime ECL	Estimated total gross carrying amount at default	Expected credit loss rate %	Lifetime ECL
Not due /< 30 days	1,030,017	0.15%	1,510	894,708	0.34%	3,055
31 – 60 days	90,446	0.14%	130	79,603	0.06%	48
61 – 90 days	86,946	0.28%	242	65,359	0.10%	63
91 – 180 days	226,563	13.09%	29,655	175,814	13.84%	24,326
> 181 days	250,304	25.41%	63,592	207,166	25.32%	52,453
> 361 days	1,527,615	64.42%	984,139	1,562,425	64.24%	1,003,652
	3,211,891		1,079,268	2,985,075		1,083,597

Credit quality of roaming, interconnect and other balances:

	2022	2021
Credit quality – Performing	780,965	624,325
Impaired	2,518	3,993
ECL	(1,532)	(2,150)
	781,951	626,168

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Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an enterprise will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet commitments associated with financial instruments. Liquidity risk may result from an inability to sell a financial asset quickly at an amount close to its fair value. The Group has accumulated deficit as of that date. These conditions indicate that the Group's ability to meet its obligations as they become due and to continue as a going concern are dependent upon the Group's ability to arrange adequate funds in a timely manner. Liquidity risk is managed by monitoring on a regular basis that sufficient funds are made available to meet any future commitments. The Group's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will have sufficient liquidity and/or undrawn committed credit facilities at all times to meet its obligations. As 31 December 2022 the Group have the undrawn working capital facility of SR 0.48 billion. The directors have a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources along with the undrawn credit facilities to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The following tables detail the Group's remaining contractual maturity for its non-derivative financial liabilities with agreed repayment periods. The tables have been drawn up based on the undiscounted cash flows of financial liabilities based on the earliest date on which the Group can be required to pay.

	Less than one year	1 to 2 years	2 to 5 years	More than 5 years	Total contractual cash flows	Carrying amount
<i>At 31 December 2022</i>						
Borrowings	1,157,921	5,882,817	-	-	7,040,738	6,007,869
MOF payable	782,753	1,267,382	1,657,003	-	3,707,138	3,059,690
Trade and notes payable	2,860,441	-	-	-	2,860,441	2,860,441
Due to related parties	1,319,857	-	-	-	1,319,857	1,319,857
Lease liabilities	123,789	156,754	330,478	166,389	777,410	679,811
Long term payables – Spectrum	-	377,396	506,996	657,600	1,541,992	1,171,478
Net Settled derivative liabilities) Interest rate Swap	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>6,244,761</u>	<u>7,684,349</u>	<u>2,494,477</u>	<u>823,989</u>	<u>17,247,576</u>	<u>15,099,146</u>
<i>At 31 December 2021</i>						
Borrowings	3,356,982	1,494,918	1,572,850	-	6,424,750	5,851,573
MOF payable	639,361	1,318,706	1,277,437	817,103	4,052,607	3,584,685
Trade and notes payable	2,494,411	-	-	-	2,494,411	2,494,411
Due to related parties	1,530,090	-	-	-	1,530,090	1,530,090
Lease liabilities	302,548	331,295	698,454	351,657	1,683,955	1,472,545
Long term payables – Spectrum	-	377,396	566,094	787,200	1,919,388	1,282,302
Net Settled derivative liabilities) Interest rate Swap	395	115,386	32,413	-	148,194	110,123
	<u>8,323,787</u>	<u>3,637,701</u>	<u>4,147,248</u>	<u>1,955,960</u>	<u>18,253,395</u>	<u>16,325,729</u>

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31 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

31.1 Fair value of financial instruments

Assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the consolidated statement of financial position are grouped into three levels of fair value hierarchy. This Grouping is determined based on the lowest level of significant inputs used in fair value measurement, as follows:

Level 1: quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

Level 3: inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

All the financial assets and liabilities of the Group are carried at amortized cost except for derivative financial instruments. Therefore, the fair value hierarchy disclosure which requires a three-level category of fair value is not disclosed.

31.2 Carrying amount vs fair value

The group considers that the carrying amount of the following financial assets and financial liabilities are a reasonable approximation of their fair value:

- Cash and cash equivalents
- Trade and other receivables
- Trade and other payables
- Borrowings
- Other non-current liabilities

	Fair value measurement hierarchy	31 December 2022		31 December 2021	
		Carrying value	Fair value	Carrying value	Fair value
Derivative financial instruments (Asset)	Level 2	110,872	110,872	-	-
Derivative financial instruments (Liability)	Level 2	-	-	110,123	110,123

31.3 Valuation techniques

These derivatives are valued using widely recognized valuation models. The Group relies on the counterparty for the valuation of these derivatives. The valuation techniques applied by the counterparties include the use of forward pricing standard models using present value calculations and mid-market valuations. Where applicable, these models project future cash flows and discount the future amounts to a present value using market-based observable inputs including interest rate curves, credit spreads, foreign exchange rates, and forward and spot prices.

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31 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

	2022	2021
Financial Assets		
Financial assets at amortized cost:		
Cash and banks	375,430	511,977
Trade receivables	2,787,875	2,213,058
Total financial assets at amortized cost	3,163,305	2,725,035
Financial assets at fair value:		
Derivative Financial Instruments	110,872	-
Total financial assets at fair value	110,872	-
Total financial assets	3,274,177	2,725,035
FINANCIAL LIABILITIES		
Financial liabilities at amortized cost:		
Trade payables, Notes payable	2,860,441	2,494,411
MOF payable-current	572,523	524,995
Due to related parties	1,319,857	1,530,090
Other non-current liabilities	3,658,645	4,341,992
Borrowings	6,007,869	5,851,573
Total Financial liabilities at amortized cost:	14,419,335	14,743,061
Financial liabilities at fair value:		
Derivative Financial Instruments	-	110,123
Total financial liabilities at fair value	-	110,123
Total financial liabilities	14,419,335	14,853,184

32 RELATED PARTY INFORMATION

During the year, the Group transacted with following related parties

Party	Relationship
Oman Telecommunications Group SAOG	Parent Company of Mobile Telecommunications Group KSCP
Mobile Telecommunications Group K.S.C. P (Zain Group)	Founding shareholder/ Parent Group
Zain Bahrain	Subsidiary to Founding Shareholder
Zain Sudan	Subsidiary to Founding Shareholder
MTC Lebanon S.A.R.L.	Subsidiary to Founding Shareholder
Zain Iraq/ Atheer Telecom Iraq Limited 'Atheer'	Subsidiary to Founding Shareholder
Zain Global Communications Co. SPC	Subsidiary to Founding Shareholder
Infra Capital Investments Group	Founding Shareholder

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32 RELATED PARTY INFORMATION (continued)

During the year, the Group entered into the following trading transactions with related parties:

	2022	2021
Revenue from entities owned by a shareholder	38,958	12,327
Purchases from entities owned by a shareholder	(104,625)	(84,656)
Fees charged by a Founding shareholder (note 25)	(198,092)	(117,435)
Finance charges charged by a Founding shareholder (note 28)	-	(13,876)

The following balances were outstanding at the reporting date:

	2022	2021
Amounts due to a founding shareholders	1,319,620	1,530,090
Amounts due to a subsidiaries of Groups' shareholders	237	105
Amounts due from a Founding shareholders	5,445	1,203
Amount due from Affiliates	251	-
Others	613	1,700

Other amounts due to related parties are disclosed in note 17.

The amounts outstanding are unsecured and will be settled in cash. No guarantees have been given or received by related parties other than those disclosed in note 17. No amounts have been expensed in the current year for expected credit loss in respect of amounts owed by related parties.

Compensations and benefits to key management personal comprising remunerations to Board of Directors and other senior management members

	2022	2021
Short-term benefits	37,331	30,533
Long-term benefits	3,404	2,583
	40,735	33,116

Short term benefits include remuneration for the Board amounting to SR 3.58 million (31 December 2021: SR 3.68 million).

33 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Group had capital commitments totaling SR 342 million (31 December 2021: SR 516 million).

Capital management

The Group manages its capital to ensure it will be able to continue as a going concern while maximizing the return to stakeholders through the optimization of the debt and equity balance. The Group's overall strategy remains unchanged from the previous year. The capital structure of the Group consists of debt and equity comprising share capital, the hedging reserve, the accumulated deficit, long-term borrowings and amounts due to related parties.

The Group monitors capital on the basis of the gearing ratio. This ratio is calculated as net debt divided by total capital. Net debt is calculated as total borrowings including lease liabilities less cash and cash equivalents. Total capital is calculated as equity, as shown in the consolidated statement of financial position, plus net debt.

The Group's Net debt to equity ratio at the end of the year is as follows:

	2022	2021
Net Debt	10,155,348	10,396,826
Total Equity	19,955,216	19,436,346
Net debt to equity ratio	51%	53%

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34 GOVERNMENT GRANTS RECEIVED

There has been no movement for the year (2021: SR 1.7 million have been adjusted against the receivable balance and an amount of SR 0.14 million was set off against property and equipment). The deferred income against the government grant amounting to nil is recorded under deferred revenue (2021: SR 1.6 million).

35 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Group had the below contingent liabilities in the form of letters of guarantee and letters of credit

	2022	2021
Letter of Guarantee	30,206	167,760
Letter of Credit	211,250	242,776
	241,456	410,536

The Group in the normal course of business is subject to and also pursuing lawsuits, proceedings, penalties and fines imposed by the regulator, municipalities and other claims from suppliers and telecommunication providers. The Group, after having consulted with its internal and external legal counsel and technical advisors, believes that these matters are not expected to have a significant impact on the financial position or the results of operations of the Group.

The CITC's violation committee has issued several penalty resolutions against the Group; which the Group has objected to. The reasons of issuing these resolutions vary between linking ID for the issued prepaid SIM Cards and providing promotions that have not been approved by CITC and/or other reasons. As of 31 December 2022, the amount of lawsuits and violations amounts to SR 2.9 million which has been provided for in full (2021: SR 13 million).

WITH HOLDING TAX (WHT)

On 18 Ramadan 1436H (corresponding to 7 July 2015), The Group received withholding tax assessments from ZATCA for the years from 2009 to 2011 whereby ZATCA asked to pay an additional amount of SR 267 million as withholding tax subject to delays penalty payable from the due date up to the settlement date equals to 1% for every 30 days.

The Group appealed this claim on 27 August 2015 which resulted in the reduction of withholding tax claim amounted to SR 219 million to SR 48 million.

To appeal before the High Appeal Committee (HAC), the Group completed the required conditions in the Articles of the Saudi Tax Law, by paying the invoices issued by ZATCA amounting SR 48 million on 16 November 2017 related to Withholding Tax (WHT) and issued a bank guarantee for the amount of SR 43 million related to the penalty generated from the delay in paying the WHT.

On 3 June 2021, the HAC issued its decision on the final claim which was reduced to SR 8.4 million.

The Group received additional assessment with an amount of SR 269.3 million for certain withholding tax items for the years from 2015 to 2021. The Group has appealed those assessments against the relevant committees.

The Group believes that the outcome of those appeals will be in the Group's favor with no material financial impact as the Group has sufficient provisions to cover these amounts.

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36 SEGMENT REPORTING

The Group is engaged mainly in providing telecommunication services and related products. Majority of the Group's revenues, income and assets relate to its operations within the Kingdom. Revenue is distributed to an operating segment based on the entity of the Group reporting the revenue. Sales between segments are calculated at normal business transaction prices.

The following is an analysis of the Group's revenues and results based on a segmental basis:

Revenues	For the year ended 31 December	
	2022	2021
Mobile Telecommunications Company	8,797,837	7,757,388
Zain Sales Company	1,625,598	1,856,543
Zain Payments Company-Tamam	126,903	15,620
Zain Drones Company	1,115	1,250
Eliminations / Adjustments	(1,476,281)	(1,730,155)
Total Revenues	9,075,172	7,900,646
Cost of operations	(5,705,529)	(4,765,338)
Depreciation and amortization	(2,065,740)	(2,429,597)
Expected credit loss (ECL)	(214,792)	(6,971)
Finance income	10,331	1,319
Other income	48,369	20,379
Finance cost	(573,836)	(489,158)
Zakat	(24,309)	(16,978)
Profit for the year	549,666	214,302

Revenue reported above represents revenue generated from external and internal customers. There were SR 1,476 million in 2022 (2021: SR 1,730) inter Group revenue and adjustments for Zain Sales Group eliminated at consolidation.

Following is the gross profit analysis on a segment basis:

	For the year ended 31 December	
	2022	2021
Mobile Telecommunications Company	5,194,540	4,861,413
Zain Sales Company	48,448	16,323
Zain Payments Company-Tamam	106,675	10,551
Zain Drones Company	1,115	1,250
Eliminations / Adjustments	(35,408)	(4,942)
Gross Profit	5,315,370	4,884,595

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36 SEGMENT REPORTING (continued)

The following is an analysis of the Group's assets and liabilities based on a segmental basis:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Mobile Telecommunications Company	38,440,502	36,280,897
Zain Sales Company	10,797,703	8,880,038
Zain Payments Company-Tamam	370,138	75,980
Zain Drones Company	4,079	1,800
Eliminations / adjustments	(21,256,586)	(17,361,766)
Total Assets	28,355,836	27,876,949
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Mobile Telecommunications Company	28,806,419	27,373,845
Zain Sales Company	10,650,927	8,761,309
Zain Payments Company-Tamam	219,062	41,258
Zain Drones Company	6,639	3,443
Zain Business	-	20
Eliminations / Adjustments	(21,127,079)	(17,342,446)
Total Liabilities	18,555,968	18,837,429

The major addition and disposals in Property and equipment and intangibles along with associated depreciation and amortization relate to Mobile Telecommunications Group.

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37 HELD FOR SALE

The carrying amount of assets and liabilities held for sale are as follows:

Assets classified under held for sale

Fixed assets (refer note 11)

Cost	2,656,232
Accumulated depreciation*	(1,294,090)
	1,362,142
ROU – net (refer note 10)	1,000,367
Total assets held for sale	2,362,509

* Accumulated depreciation as at classification of asset to held for sale.

Liabilities classified under held for sale

Leased liabilities – net (refer note 16)	801,950
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38 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 9 January 2023, the group completed all the conditions relevant to the “Financial Completion” under the APA (Note 1.4), and received a cash proceed of SR 2,421 million along with a 20% equity stake in GLI.

On 21 February 2023, the Group has signed a revised agreement with MOF (also refer note 18.1) in which the existing deferral of payment to MOF along with commercial commission payable is converted into a Murabaha facility and Al Rajhi Banking & Investment Corporation has been appointed as the Murabaha Facility Agent.

On 6 March 2023, the Group has entered into an agreement with Mobile Telecommunications Company K.S.C to revise the Management agreement (also refer note 17-1) into Brand Support Agreement. The revision along with prospective years also affected year ended 2022 and was duly adjusted as adjusting Item for the year 2022.

On 25 March 2023, the Board of Directors’ recommendation to distribute cash dividends to shareholders for the fiscal year 2022, the distribution date is yet to be determined after approval of General Assembly approval.

In the opinion of the management, there have been no other significant subsequent events since the year-end that require disclosure or adjustment in these Consolidated Financial Statements.

39 RECLASSIFICATION OF PRIOR YEAR PRESENTATION

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Group reclassified certain balances as listed below, which are considered by management a more accurate presentation and reflects the related nature. These reclassifications have no impact on previously reported net income, retained earnings or cash positions:

<u>Consolidated statement of profit or loss for the year ended 31 December 2021</u>	<u>Previously reported</u>	<u>Amount of Reclassification</u>	<u>Reclassified amount</u>
Operating and administrative expenses	(1,749,287)	1,749,287	-
Distribution and marketing expenses	-	(1,466,549)	(1,466,549)
General and administrative expenses	-	(282,738)	(282,738)
Total reclassification	(1,749,287)	-	(1,749,287)

40 APPROVED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 3 Ramadan 1444H (corresponding to 25 of March 2022).

The accompany notes (1) to (40) form an integral part of these consolidated financial statements



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