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BUILDING A SUPPORTIVE ECOSYSTEM

2022 ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

OUR VISION

TO BE THE PREMIER FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP OF AFRICAN ORIGIN.

OUR MISSION

TO ATTAIN THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF CUSTOMER ADVOCACY, BE A GREAT PLACE TO WORK, AND DELIVER SUPERIOR AND SUSTAINABLE RETURNS TO OUR SHAREHOLDERS.

OUR CORE VALUES

- **EXECUTION**
- **PROFESSIONALISM**
- **INNOVATION**
- **CUSTOMER FOCUS**

AT **FCMB,** WE PLACE GREAT VALUE ON BEING A RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTION.

By creating a great place for our people to work, selling our products and services responsibly, effecting positive social outcomes and mitigating the environmental impact of our operations, we believe that we can make a greater positive contribution to our operating environment.

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Introduction


FIRST CITY PLAZA MARINA

About FCMB Group Plc

FCMB Group Plc is a bank-led financial services group, headquartered in Lagos, Nigeria, with operating companies divided along three business groups: The Banking Group (First City Monument Bank Limited ('The Bank'), FCMB (UK) Limited and FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited); Consumer Finance (Credit Direct Limited); Investment Banking (FCMB Capital Markets Limited and CSL Stockbrokers Limited) and Investment Management (FCMB Pensions Limited, FCMB Asset Management Limited and FCMB Trustees Limited). Listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) with the ticker symbol 'FCMB', FCMB Group Plc has 19.8 billion ordinary shares held by over 513,000 shareholders.

First City Monument Bank Limited, the wholly owned flagship company of FCMB Group Plc, is a top-10 lender in Nigeria and has over 9 million customers and 204 branches in Nigeria and a banking subsidiary in the United Kingdom through FCMB Bank (UK) Limited (which is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority (PRA) and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) and the PRA in the United Kingdom).

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1977
Founded
City Securities Limited is established

1982
Acquired Banking License
First City Merchant Bank is licensed, becoming the first local bank in Nigeria to be established without government support

2001
Name Change
Name change from First City Merchant Bank to First City Monument Bank following FCMB's transformation to a universal bank

2004
Private Placement
Private placement of shares raises over N7 billion, followed by conversion to a public liability company

2005
Initial Public Offering
Through an initial public offering, FCMB raises over N16 billion and acquires Cooperative Development Bank, Nigerian American Bank and Midas Bank Nigeria. It achieves the N25 billion share capital target stipulated by the CBN

2007
Public Offering
The Bank attracts sizeable foreign shareholding. Tier 1 capital raised through public offering increases from just over N31 billion to N133 billion

2012
Merger with FinBank
The Federal High Court of Nigeria approves the merger of FCMB Plc ('FCMB') and FinBank Plc ('FinBank')

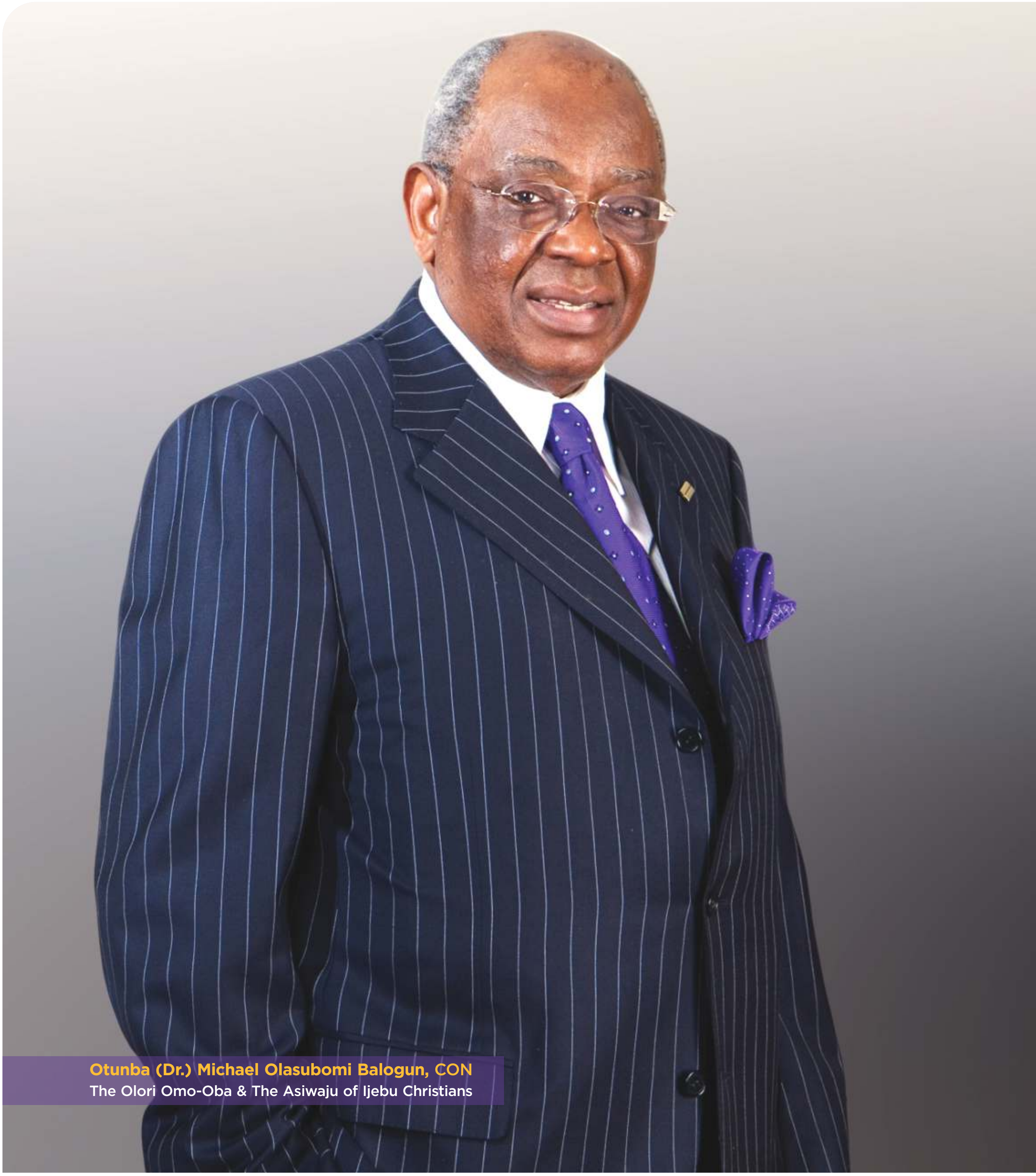
2013
Group Restructuring
Migration of FCMB shareholders to FCMB Group Plc (HoldCo) and subsequent de-listing of FCMB Plc and listing of the HoldCo on the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE)

2014
FCMB (UK) License
FCMB (UK) Limited obtains commercial banking license to operate in the United Kingdom

2017
Acquired Legacy Pensions
FCMB acquires majority stake in Legacy Pension Managers Limited (now FCMB Pensions Limited)

2021
Acquired Stake in AIICO Pensions
FCMB Group through its Pensions business acquires 96.3% stake in AIICO Pension Managers Limited

From the Archives of the Founder



Otunba (Dr.) Michael Olasubomi Balogun, CON
The Olori Omo-Oba & The Asiwaju of Ijebu Christians

From the Archives of the Founder

I am sure that all the readers of my annual contribution to the Group's Annual Report & Accounts, will recall that I would always want to start with my deep appreciation to the Almighty God who continues to shine His amazing grace on me as an individual and also this great Institution, the FCMB Group, which the good Lord had enabled me to establish 40 years ago!

In line with what I have been doing every year, I would want to start by acknowledging the different peculiar challenges for the entire banking industry and the nation as a result.

In spite of all these environmental problems, FCMB Group under the leadership of the current management has made great strides and it is also reaping the reward of the Group structure which, the good Lord made us to be among the first to introduce many years ago in the banking and finance industry.

I am reminded of this quotation *"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars in order to change the world."* – Harriet Tubman.

My vision of over 40 years ago, backed by the Almighty God, and my personal determination has made this dream a reality, which had been producing pleasant report for many years. FCMB Group has developed into a fast growing financial Institution, playing a vital role in countless lives and communities across the country, not to mention a number of related ventures in other countries established through our desire to extend our Culture of Excellence outside Nigeria.

As an individual and a keen observer, I must admit that I am enthusiastic and proud of our journey so far. I am seeing an Institution built on a solid foundation growing from strength to strength into an eco-system that through the grace of the Almighty God has been made possible by the evolution of an FCMB Group as well as the opportunities which new technologies are enabling us to unlock synergies within the Group.

We are also continuously growing and seeing better involvement and contributions from all the operating companies under our Group. This testament of our desire to build a truly sustainable Institution and one that would stand the test of time, even when a number of our contemporaries have come and gone, should give us a good sense of appreciation.

I am indeed seeing the quality of leadership keen to take on challenges with their different innovations and willingness to move the organization forward. I am seeing God's plan for our Institution, FCMB Group unfolding. This indeed continues to give me great joy as the Founder.

Once again, I would want to commend the current management team for their resilience and determination with which they are steering our ship. I have never been more confident that FCMB Group is in good hands. I will continue by asking everyone to join me in thanking the Almighty God for His faithfulness towards this Institution, which the good Lord had established and His guidance which has indeed turned my mundane dream into a reality, that is now known as the FCMB Group.

Thank you all for your different contributions as well as the patronage that have made the Institution great.

God bless you all. Amen.

Otunba (Dr.) Michael Olasubomi Balogun, CON
The Olori Omo-Oba and The Asiwaju of Ijebu Christians.

Chairman's Statement

Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi
Chairman, FCMB Group Plc

Chairman's Statement

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, fellow shareholders, it is my pleasure and privilege to present to you the FCMB Group Plc's ('the Group's') Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022.

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you all to the 10th Annual Meeting of the FCMB Group Plc since our corporate reorganization and restructuring in 2013. Following the crippling effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, Nigeria generally got off to a good start in the first half of the year. Despite the positive start to the year, the Nation grappled with a number of socio-economic challenges as a result of both internal and external factors. These include continued depreciation of the Naira; rising energy prices arising from the Russia Ukraine crisis; elevated levels of insecurity in some parts of the country resulting in food shortages; reduced foreign exchange (FX) earnings which brought about significant challenges for investors and companies operating within the country, as well as the uncertainty surrounding the likely outcome of the 2023 general elections.

Despite these challenges, FCMB Group Plc demonstrated resilience, the result of which has given me the great pleasure of being able to inform you that for the full year ended 31 December 2022, the Group declared a profit before tax of N36.6 billion, up 61.0% from full year 2021.

I am proud of the commitment and hard work shown by our employees across the country and commend you all who have made it possible to deliver this strong operating performance for the year under review.

Fortifying Our Purpose

The importance of operating within a clearly defined organizational purpose has never been more important. It is no news that the COVID-19 pandemic put quite a lot of things into perspective including how companies approach business—specifically, the importance of leading with a purpose. The pandemic elevated the need for this by showcasing how, in times of crisis, organizational success will become more reliant on a company's ability to bring people together for social good, beyond making a profit.

Financial Institutions remain key to economic prosperity—supporting small businesses, revitalizing communities, fostering employability and building wealth for individuals and families. As foundations of their local economies, banks can help ensure inclusive growth in their respective communities by supporting initiatives that expand the collective ability to meet unmet needs, invest in untapped potential, and support the financial well-being of people.

As a Group, our purpose is to foster inclusive and sustainable growth in the communities we serve. We will create value for our shareholders by leveraging people, technology, capital and our financial services capabilities, to create an ecosystem that stimulates growth, improves access, and creates efficiencies for ourselves and all members of our ecosystem. The purpose articulated above is our reason for being. It is unique to our capabilities and circumstances.

Our Sustainability Report articulates more comprehensively our achievements during the year as we continuously seek to bring our purpose to realization.

Our Board's Focus

The Board of Directors remains fully committed to the Group's corporate culture and strategy. Our Directors' profiles are included within the corporate governance section of this report and illustrate the range of business backgrounds, skills, independence and experience contributed by each Board member needed to accomplish our objective of making FCMB one of the leading financial services groups of African origin. In 2022, we continued to move forward on the path of good governance, strengthening and improving our corporate governance structure and bringing it into line with our long-term strategy and with the highest international standards in order to increase the confidence of our shareholders, investors and other stakeholders, in an environment that is demanding even more transparency.

The Board of the Group has the responsibility for monitoring the activities of all group companies under its ownership, which include First City Monument Bank (FCMB) Limited, FCMB Capital Markets Limited, CSL Stockbrokers Limited, FCMB Trustees Limited, FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited, FCMB Pensions Limited and Credit Direct Limited. Two of our companies also monitor subsidiaries that they own: FCMB Limited monitors and owns FCMB (UK) Limited, and CSL Stockbrokers Limited monitors and owns FCMB Asset Management Ltd.

Chairman's Statement

The Group remains committed to the implementation of the Corporate Governance rules of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), the Nigerian Exchange Group and the Securities and Exchange Commission. As we operate in international jurisdictions such as the United Kingdom, our respective subsidiaries also operate to the highest standards, as expected by their regulators.

Board Composition and Committees

As at 31 December 2022, the Board led by myself as Non-Executive Chairman, was composed of ten other Directors (Seven Non-Executive Directors and three Executive Directors), in line with international best practice that requires the number of Non-Executive Directors to be more than the Executive Directors. Mr. Ladi Balogun (as the Group Chief Executive), Mr. Gbolahan Joshua (as the Chief Operating Officer) and Mr. Olufemi Badeji (as Executive Director: Coverage and Investment Banking) made up the three Executive Directors, while the Non-Executive Directors (besides myself) comprised Alhaji Mustapha Damcida, Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora, Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON, Dr. (Engr) Gregory O. Ero., Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael and Ms. Muibat Ijaiya. The Board met five times during 2022 with a 98% attendance rate. The Board was supported by the Statutory Audit Committee and two Board Committees that reported to it, namely the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee and the Board Governance and Remuneration Committee. The Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee, which consisted of Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora (Chairperson), Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael, Dr. (Engr) Gregory O. Ero and Ms. Muibat Ijaiya. The committee met five times in 2022 with an average of 90% attendance rate. The Board Governance and Remuneration Committee, which was made up of only non-Executive, consisted of the following as members during the year: Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON (Chairman), Alhaji Mustapha Damcida, Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora and Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael. The committee met five times within the year, with an average attendance rate of 95%.

The Statutory Audit Committee which consisted of Evangelist Akinola Soares (Chairman), Alhaji S. B. Daranijo, Mr. Hakeem Batula, Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON, and Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora met four times, with a 100% attendance rate. These committees enabled the Board of FCMB Group Plc to monitor and supervise the implementation of business plans of each company in the Group on a regular and consistent basis.

Profit After Tax and Earnings Per Share Information

For the full year ended 31 December 2022, the Group declared a profit before tax of N36.6 billion, up 61.0% from full year 2021. These improved results demonstrate both the resilience and the potential of the Group. More details on the performance will be provided by the Group Chief Executive.

FCMB Group Plc's Board of Directors maintains a corporate culture that seeks to provide investors with a stable and sustainable stream of dividend distribution, with consideration given to the growth and capital requirements of the business, thereby maximizing long-term share value for shareholders. Accordingly, on behalf of the Board, I am pleased to inform our shareholders that the Group has resolved to pay a final dividend of 25 kobo per share representing a total dividend appropriation of N5.0 billion, subject to shareholders' approval at today's Annual General Meeting.

Acknowledgments

Indeed, 2022 was a challenging but equally rewarding year for FCMB Group Plc. I am, therefore, very thankful to all who have made this possible.

I would like to acknowledge the collective efforts of all our staff, whose passion and commitment have contributed immensely to this stellar performance; our customers for their ever-loyal support to the brand; our Board and Management, whose vision and exemplary leadership has ensured that we remain on track in the pursuit of our corporate goals and objectives.

My appreciation also goes to all the regulators including the Central Bank of Nigeria, the Nigerian Exchange Group and the Securities and Exchange commission for their support and guidance as always.

To our distinguished fellow shareholders, we remain grateful for your consistent loyalty and support over the years. The Board and Management will continue to strive to achieve ever higher shareholder value.

Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi
Chairman

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Chairman, FCMB Group Plc

Group Chief Executive's Report

Mr. Ladi Balogun
Group CEO, FCMB Group Plc

Group Chief Executive's Report

Distinguished Shareholders, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the 10th Annual General Meeting of FCMB Group Plc and to present a summary of the performance of our businesses in 2022.

2022 witnessed a myriad of global and domestic developments that shaped both economic and business performance. Therefore, it is important that I give some context to the economic and financial landscape in which the Group operated during the year.

Macroeconomic and Operating Environment

Global economic growth remained weak by historical standards as unprecedented inflation and a hawkish monetary policy response weighed on global economic activities. Inflation was a major theme in 2022, exacerbated by the Russia-Ukraine conflict which led to higher food, commodity, and energy prices. Consequently, the IMF has projected global growth rate to moderate to 2.9% in 2023 lower than their 3.2% projection for 2022.

In the United States (US), Inflation and COVID-19 continued to hamper economic growth despite an increase in stimulus spending on both fiscal and monetary fronts, as the economy recorded a low growth rate of 2.1% for 2022 compared with 5.1% recorded in 2021. Similarly, in the Euro Area, high inflation rates, tightening of monetary policy, supply chain bottlenecks, and the global energy crisis continued to undermine growth, which contracted to 3.6% in 2022 compared with the 5.3% growth recorded in 2021. The rapid spread of COVID-19 in China dampened growth in 2022, however the recent suspension of city-wide lockdowns has paved the way for a faster-than-expected recovery. Despite this, the Chinese economy slumped to one of its lowest levels in nearly half a century marked by strict COVID curbs and a property market slump. For 2022, GDP expanded 3.0%, against the 8.4% growth recorded in 2021.

On the domestic front, growth in the Nigerian economy was supported by the non-oil sector (+5.01%), while the oil sector remained in contraction (-20.7%) as at September 2022. Growth in the non-oil sector was driven by the services sector, which profited from the uplift in Information and Communications Technology, catalyzed by rapid expansion in data consumption. Nigeria's crude production was marred by force-majeures in oil terminals, the resurgence of crude oil theft, and waned investments. The ripple effect from the COVID-19 pandemic, rate hikes by the US Federal Reserve Bank, and foreign exchange illiquidity contributed to a decline in capital importation. Capital importation was valued at $4.89 billion between January and November 2022, a 12.3% decline when compared to $5.89 billion recorded in the corresponding period of 2021. Despite several interventions by the CBN, the exchange rate at the Importers and Exporters window depreciated by 5.7% in 2022, closing the year at N461.5/$1 compared with N435/$1 recorded as of the close of trade in the previous year. Also, the exchange rate at the parallel market depreciated by 23.1% to an average of N735/US$ in a highly volatile year that saw the exchange rate surge to as high as N900/US$ in November 2022. The country's foreign reserves closed 2022 at US$37.1 billion, down by US$3.43 billion from US$40.52 billion in 2021. Nigeria's inflation rate eased to 21.34% in December of 2022, down moderately from a 17-year peak of 21.47% in the prior month. This follows ten consecutive increases in the inflation rate. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) joined the hawkish parade in 2022 by increasing the policy rate by 500bps to 16.5% from 11.5% in the period under review.

The Nigerian banking sector however remained resilient during the year despite heightened volatility across financial markets, driven by geopolitical developments and monetary policy responses to inflation and currency pressures. Asset yields proved supportive of margins in 2022 backed by a broader adoption of mobile and agency banking, which contributed to improvements in earnings and profitability across board. Invariably, the growth in funding and operating costs remained a pressure point for Banks.

Prudential indicators for the sector, such as NPLs stood at circa 4.8% as at October 2022 as against 5.3% recorded in the same period prior year while industry liquidity ratio was 40.1%, compared to the minimum requirement of 30%. System liquidity was kept in check by the CBN through frequent and discretionary CRR debits further increasing CRR from 27.5% to 32.5% in September 2022 in a bid to tame spiraling inflation.

The Nigerian pension industry continued to witness increased competition post introduction of the RSA transfer program by the National Pension Commission (NPC) as total industry RSA transfers almost doubled from 48,593 in

Group Chief Executive's Report

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PROFIT AFTER TAX (GROUP)

48.8% ▲ **N31.1 billion** (2021: 20.9bn)

TOTAL ASSETS (GROUP)

19.6% ▲ **N2.98 trillion** (2021: 2.49tn)

SHAREHOLDERS' FUNDS (GROUP)

13.0% ▲ **N274.9 billion** (2021: 243.2bn)

2021 to 92,413 in 2022 (a 90% growth). This was also reflective in the corresponding retirement savings account movement increasing by 110%, with N361.2 billion transferred industry-wide, up from N171.72 billion recorded in FY 2021. The industry AUM recorded an 11.7% increase to N15.0 trillion in December 2022 compared with N13.4 trillion in December 2021. Similarly, the number of RSA registrations also increased to 9.86 million.

Investor participation also remained strong during the year. The equities market performance was supported by a 19.98% increase in the NGX All-Share Index, which rose from 40,270.72 in 2021 to close the final trading day of 2022 with 51.251.06 index points whilst market capitalization also closed at a high of N27.92 trillion, up from N21.06 trillion from the prior year. Furthermore, the elevated fiscal deficit saw the federal government, through the Debt Management Office (DMO), raise N3.1 trillion from the bond market, a 13% growth from the N2.7 trillion recorded in 2021.

Overall Group Performance

We have remained focused on building a resilient and supportive organization leveraging on the professionalism of our staff and the resilience of all our operating companies, to deliver a strong operating performance.

A review of our results indicates a strong performance across key financial indicators. FCMB Group's post-tax profits were up 48.8% to N31.1 billion from N20.9 billion recorded in December 2021. This translates to a Return on Average Equity (ROAE) of 12.0% and Earnings per Share (EPS) of N1.56 kobo for the year. In terms of our balance sheet position, the group's loan book grew by 12.4% from N1.06 trillion in December 2021 to N1.20 trillion in December 2022, while customer deposits increased by 25.1% to N1.94 trillion from N1.55 trillion in December 2021. We continued to maintain a well-structured and diversified balance sheet as total assets grew by 19.6% Year-on-Year (YoY) to N2.98 trillion while shareholders' funds grew by 13.0% YoY to N274.9 billion in December 2022. Our customer base also grew by 18.4% across the Group from 9.2 million in 2021 to 10.9 million in 2022 leveraging on the sustained momentum recorded in our various retail financial service activities (banking, consumer finance, and pensions management).
In terms of asset quality, NPL ratio increased to 6.6% (in line with CBN's prudential guideline) while Capital Adequacy Ratio remained flat at 16.2%. Our cost to income ratio improved to 71.8% for the review period, from the 69.9% recorded in December 2021.

During the year, we continued to invest massively in new technologies and digital solutions to ensure convenience, speed and safety of transactions. This was evident in the traction recorded across our digital platforms. We onboarded an additional 1.5 million mobile users contributing to a 23% YoY growth in mobile enabled transactions as we grew our digital customer base to 9.1 million as at December 2022. In line with our focus to continuously innovate, our Asset Management business invested in an upgrade of their customer web-portal, as part of improving user-experience to customers. We have also launched our Banking as a Service (BaaS) platform recording over 2,000,000 transactions totaling N80bn. We believe this platform will enable our other Group of companies achieve greater economies of scale in the coming years.

Group Chief Executive's Report

Business Groups' Performance

The Banking Group recorded a 72.3% growth in pre-tax profits to N27.0 billion for the year 2022. This performance was bolstered by a 37.0% growth in interest income driven by growth in loans and advances to customers. The business also recorded a 18.3% and 37.3% growth in net fees and commissions and trading income respectively, significantly boosting non-interest revenues.

Capital market activities improved during the year. On the back of this, CSL Stockbrokers Limited and FCMB Capital Markets Limited recorded a combined pre-tax profit of N2.3 billion for the period under review up from 15.7% in 2021.

Our Investment Management businesses (FCMB Pensions Limited, FCMB Asset Management Limited and FCMB Trustees Limited) collectively grew Asset Under Management by 49.0% to N783.6 billion at the end of the year. For the period, our Pensions business grew Retirement Savings Accounts (RSAs) by 3.1% from the preceding year, despite a fiercely competitive 'Transfer Window' under the RSA transfer programme. It also grew Assets under Management (AUM) by 15.3% to close at N657.9 billion, outpacing total projected industry growth rate while recording 69.5% growth in pre-tax profits.

Outlook

In spite of the heightened risk environment globally, sustainable growth is beginning to take root in our Group as we reap the benefits of the ecosystem we have been building. In 2023, amongst other things, we will be paying particular attention to how we help all companies in the group excel in the following areas:

1. **Purpose:** Our Purpose 'To foster inclusive and sustainable growth in the communities we serve' will be achieved by building a supportive ecosystem rooted in Africa (primarily Nigeria) that connects people, capital, and markets. We believe this has the potential to create value for all stakeholders of FCMB Group. Most importantly, we will use this to enhance the tangible difference we are making as a group to lives and communities.

2. **Technology:** We will deepen our use of technology and accelerate our digital transformation. The results will be greater convenience for our customers, penetration of new markets, better economics for each business, greater reliability, and security. We will innovate faster and more effectively as we put into practice the lessons learned from prior years.

3. **Culture:** Our culture is reinforced by our above stated Purpose and our Values: Execution, Professionalism, Innovation and Customer focus. A consistent group-wide performance culture also forms a critical part of our organizational culture that will create agents of change and progress for our businesses and the communities we serve.

In closing, I would like to thank all our stakeholders for the unwavering support throughout the year.

Thank you very much for your attention. God bless you all.

Ladi Balogun
Group Chief Executive

Operating Review

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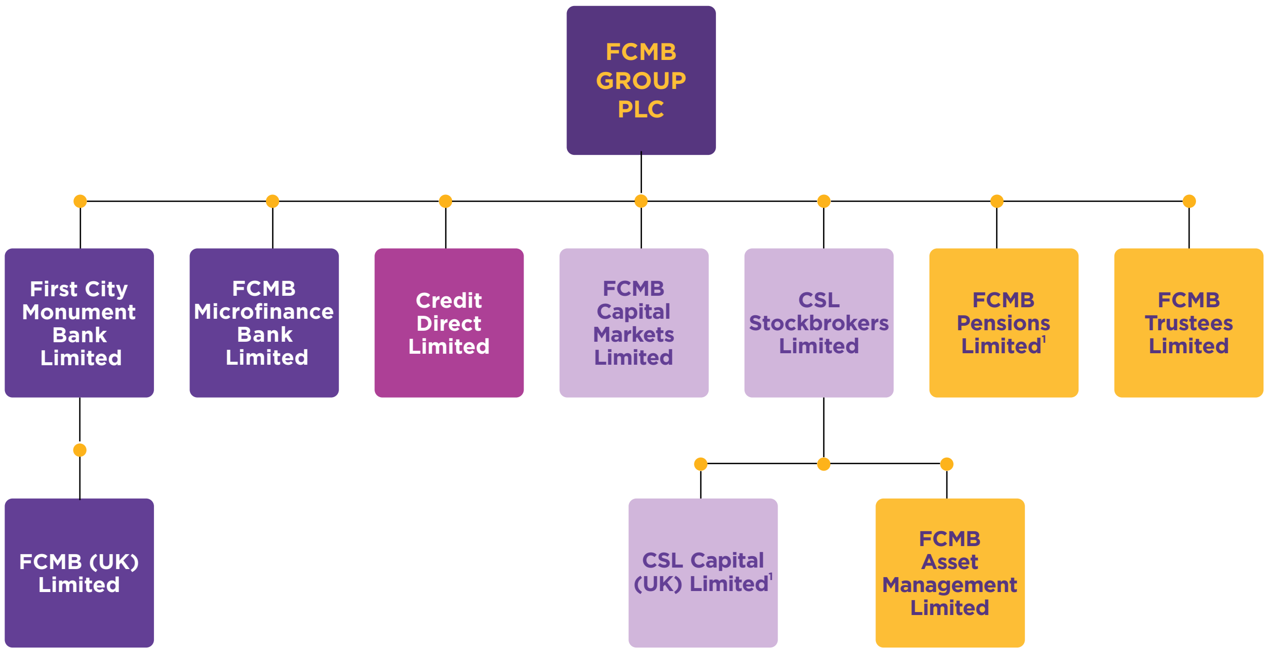
2022 Award Won

Our Group of Companies

There are eleven (11) operating entities in the FCMB Group Plc, including the holding company.



[1] All subsidiaries are wholly owned except FCMB Pensions Limited and CSL Capital (UK) Limited, which are owned 91.28% and 75% respectively.

Operating Companies' Performance Highlights

The Banking Group

Distinguished shareholders, it is with great delight that I bring to you the 2022 performance of our great institution.

Year in Perspective

While 2022 was billed to be the year of recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic that had engulfed the world for most of 2020-2021, it tossed in a new challenge - the Russia-Ukraine war. This conflict exerted undesired pressure on global prices, leading to further inflation spikes and forcing financial regulatory bodies to introduce hawkish policy measures such as interest rate tightening to counteract the effects. So, the war hindered the expected global macro-economic recovery that would have brought much-needed relief to the financial sector, which had been grappling with a weakened asset portfolio, high operating costs, and a thinning revenue stream. For us in Nigeria, the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), in addition to the global ordeal, had to deal with the additional impact of foreign exchange demand pressure, high fiscal deficit, increasing insecurity and its attendant impact on food inflation, among others. Inflation rose consistently for 10 straight months, from a low of 16.13% in January 2022 to 21.47% in November 2022, before the marginal decline to close the year. Responding, the CBN introduced various policies, including adjusting the benchmark interest rates four times within the year - a record move for a rate that had stayed the same since 2020. Cash reserve (CRR) was raised to 32.5%, which saw over N7 trillion in liquidity mopped up from the market, followed by a cashless policy to regulate market liquidity to manage the related inflation trend. In addition, there was naira devaluation and control of foreign exchange demand pressure. Competition intensified within the industry as peer banks grappled for a more significant share of the contracted market. The adoption of innovative technology platforms to scale operations and improve customer service as a competitive edge also gave rise to increased cyber-attacks.

Our scorecard

Despite the headwinds, I am pleased to announce that the bank delivered a profit before tax (PBT) of N27.0 billion for the year 2022, representing a 72% growth compared to N15.6 billion recorded in 2021. This performance was a result of the resilient operating model the bank has built over the years, positioning us to adequately respond to regulatory headwinds with minimal impact on our operations.

"Without a doubt, FCMB made commendable progress across most indices in 2022, and we intend to stay on this course in the coming year."

Mrs. Yemisi Edun,
Managing Director/CEO

Also, being intentional in our commitment to meet and exceed our target, the bank commenced a complementary budget support project to optimize our costs and grow our ever-expanding revenue opportunities, allowing us to save and uncover new revenue opportunities.

The Banking Group

Our net interest income increased 37% to N110.1 billion in 2022 from N80.2 billion in 2021. In the same vein, our net fee and commission revenue stream also grew 17% to N24.3 billion in 2022 compared with the previous year. We have continued to consolidate on our investment in technology to drive efficiency and increase customer enrolment on the nimbler digital touchpoints. Net trading income tracking on the same positive note, increased by 34% to N12.2 billion in 2022 from N9.1 billion in 2021.

On the cost side, the bank has maintained a tight grip on its expense while strategically growing some expense lines. Our spending on IT-related overheads, which was the key component of our general and administrative expenses, grew significantly as we continued to strengthen our digital footprints. Personnel cost also increased during the year as we reviewed staff remuneration and related training costs to align with market reality and build needed capacity required to fuel our new operating model. These efforts, among others, resulted in a 19% growth in general OPEX to N100.8 billion in 2022 from N84.6 billion in 2021.

Overall, the balance sheet size increased by 19% to N2.9 trillion in 2022 from N2.4 trillion in 2021, in line with our continuous resolve to continue strengthening our balance sheet.

Deposit volume grew 25% to N1.9 trillion in 2022 from N1.5 trillion in 2021, sustaining its growth trajectory, with about 70% of the deposit growth coming from low-cost deposits. Risk asset volume also grew 12% to N1.2 trillion in 2022 from N1.0 trillion in 2021. The impact of increased CRR moderated liquidity level and loan growth capability during the year.

Due to our diligent risk management practices, we kept the cost of risk at 1.5% in 2022.

Business Segment Performance

On a segment basis, the bank sustained its retail-led commercial banking model while also cautiously deepening its market share of wallets in the wholesale banking space.
Our Personal Banking business had a strong performance in 2022, growing net interest income by 24% to N36.1 billion in 2022 compared to N24.2 billion recorded in the previous year. Customer acquisition also peaked at about 1.3 million during the year.

In the same vein, our SME segment grew net interest income by 62% to N42.2 billion in 2022 from N26.7 billion in 2021. This performance was also supported by the 18% growth in fees and commissions to N8.5 billion from N7.0 billion in 2021.

Subsidiary Performance

Our UK subsidiary contributed to the superb 2022 performance, reporting over 200% growth in PBT from N0.46 billion in 2021 to N1.4 billion in 2022. The balance sheet also grew 41% from N131.9 billion in 2021 to N186.6 billion in 2022. The performance is expected to improve considerably in subsequent periods as other ongoing initiatives gain traction.

Outlook

Without a doubt, FCMB made commendable progress across most indices in 2022, and we intend to stay on this course in the coming year. With the first quarter of 2023 heralding the general election, it is expected to produce new leadership that would hit the ground running immediately, providing innovative solutions to local macro-economic and raging security issues. We are positioned for a more prosperous 2023 and ready to optimize the opportunity it portends.

Our retail and transaction banking focus will be enhanced to sustain our fees and commissions growth trend. At the same time, we will continue to create innovative product offerings to deepen our share of the wholesale banking customers' wallet share. We shall adopt prudent provisioning and conservative underwriting to improve our asset quality, consciously managing our liquidity and cost of funds. Lending activities will be strategic, with an emphasis on new growth areas. We will also sustain our focus on greater cost efficiency by leveraging technology and improving employee productivity while growing the number of customers that use our digital channels.

In closing

I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to our esteemed customers whose patronage made 2022 truly remarkable for us. I also celebrate our employees for working tirelessly throughout the year to provide unparalleled customer service thereby delivering impressive results. I extend our profound gratitude to the Board of Directors for their unwavering support and confidence in the Team.

In closing, I thank the Almighty for His divine protection and pray that 2023 will be prosperous for us, our beloved nation, Nigeria, and everyone involved.

Yemisi Edun,
Managing Director/CEO

Business Performance Highlights
The Banking Group

FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited

Adetunji Lamidi
Managing Director/CEO

Repositioning for Growth

The 2022 financial year witnessed the strategic repositioning of the business for sustainable growth through the injection of additional N850m capital by FCMB Holdco towards increasing the Shareholders fund in excess of the N1 billion minimum capital requirement for State licensed MFB, to facilitate the resumption of full operational activities by Q1 2023.

The businesses showed immense resilience during the year under review to post a profit of N4.6m and contributing N150m (from migrated portfolio) to the profitability of the Group Lending Business.

There was no disbursement of loans during the year under review as we continued to focus on reorganization and strategic repositioning of the business. The deposit portfolio declined by 7% from N14m to N13m, while the PBT declined by 58%, from N12m in 2021 to N4.6m in 2022.

The digitization of the micro lending business is on course with the ongoing consolidation discussion with our boarderless banking platform which is billed to go live by H2 2023, to facilitate the offering of digital end-to-end investment and loan products for improved customer service experience and sustainable growth.

In line with the commitment to our social goals, the business has profiled over 10,000 youths comprising of 75% women for single digit interest credit facilities under the FCMB & MasterCard Foundation partnership project in 2023, to reduce the devastating effect of the pandemic on the MSME sector.

Business Performance Highlights
Consumer Finance

Credit Direct Limited

Akinwande Ademosu
Managing Director/CEO

2022 Performance – Continued Rebound

The 2022 financial year was quite a challenging year especially characterized with strong macroeconomic headwinds in the country. The macro challenges ranged from decelerating economic growth combined with rapidly rising inflationary pressures in the economy, to heightened insecurity challenges in many of our key markets.

Despite the macro headwinds and security challenges, in 2022, we recorded a 22% expansion in our loan book, a 15% growth in interest income, as the business crossed the N13 billion mark in interest income for the first time, while our total loan book also grew to a record N28.4 billion.

Our topline growth was equally matched with significant improvement in operational efficiency as our cost to income ratio declined 200 basis points (bpts) from 54% in FY2021 to 52% in FY2022. Our return on asset remained impressively high at 8% while our return on equity improved 200bpts to 29% owing to strong growth in our business profitability. We recorded a profit before tax of N4billion, representing a growth of 26% year-on-year.

Due to delayed collections in a segment of our portfolio, our asset quality slightly deteriorated during the year as non-performing loan ratio increased 300bpts year-on-year to 9.8% but remained within both industry acceptable risk threshold and regulatory threshold for Finance companies.

We anticipate significant business growth in 2023 as we make further progress on our digital transformation journey, incorporating new products to serve our expansive customer base in current and new markets. We are confident that as we execute on our strategic initiatives all year long, we will outpace our 2022 business growth performance in FY2023.

Business Performance Highlights
Investment Management Group

FCMB Pensions Limited

Christopher B. Bajowa
Managing Director/CEO

The Business Environment as it affected Our Operations

After attaining a high 5.01% growth rate in Q2 2021, Nigeria's annual GDP growth rate began to decelerate as it grew at a slower pace from 3.11% in Q1, 2022 to 2.25% in Q3 2022 (Q4 estimate: 3.0%), as base effects from 2021 withered off. This was reflective, as businesses struggled to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic which inflicted leadership and sustainability challenges across the globe. Ultimately, businesses were forced to operate under difficult circumstances.

The impact of the out-break of the Russia-Ukraine war earlier in the year caused supply chain disruptions, combined with high energy costs and inflation which further compromised business sustainability around the world. Furthermore, the global liquidity squeeze by monetary authorities also had consequential effects back home as the CBN increased MPR four times by a total of 500bps (from 11.5% in May 2022 to 16.5% in November 2022), as the apex bank tried to stem the tide against run-away inflation which recorded 21.34% in December, down from twenty-one-year peak of 21.47% in November, 2022.

In Nigeria, the increase in electricity tariffs by as much as 32%, the economic and social costs associated to unending fuel queues; which persisted throughout the year due to scarcity, increase in the price of diesel by 182% YoY from N289.37 to N817.86 per liter, all caused systemic shocks as businesses began to reduce operating hours and optimize hybrid options including work-from-home, in order to keep up with accelerating operating costs. Amidst lingering forex scarcity, the NGN depreciated in the foreign exchange market, as CBN devalued the Naira by about 6% YoY in the official window (from N435/1$ to N462/1$), as It also depreciated by 34% YoY (N565/$ to N756/$) in the unofficial or parallel market. Consequently, we witnessed a difficult RSA market space due to fewer employers hiring, and increased operational cost than we had earlier planned.

Other factors that affected businesses include unabated insecurity, falling Government revenue ascribed to oil theft and its increasing borrowings. We witnessed heightened regulatory environment and changing competition landscape in the Pension Industry as Mergers and Acquisitions also took center stage.

Business Performance Highlights

Despite the hostile operating environment in the year under review, our PFA was able to weather the storm as we harnessed opportunities, especially in the areas of new RSA enrolment and the Transfer Window space.

FCMB Pensions held steady as we recorded above industry average growth in Asset Under Management (AUM). We outperformed the industry by 20% as AUM grew by 15.33% (Industry: 12.78%), to close FY 2022 at N657.9 billion from N570.4 billion in 2021 considering AIICO Pension acquisition. This performance also improved our market share marginally from 4.79% to 4.90%, representing a 2.50% YoY growth. Cumulative Retirement Savings Accounts (RSAs) enrolled grew from 712,404 to 734,385, which is 3.09% growth YoY (Industry: 3.41%).

The RSA Transfer System (RTS or Transfer Window) in the year under review was fiercely competitive as total industry RSA transfers almost doubled from 48,593 in 2021 to 92,413 in 2022 (i.e 90% growth). This was reflective in the corresponding AUM movement as it also increased by 110% with N361.2 billion transferred industry-wide, up from N171.72 billion recorded in FY 2021. Our performance showed resilience and character as we attracted total net flows of N4.8 billion.

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FCMB Pensions Limited

Financial Highlights

Following the integration of AIICO Pensions, financial combination was achieved in late February 2022. As expected, the first result from our audited Financial Statements shows a 67.02% increase in Revenue YoY; N6.27 billion (2021:N3.76 billion), while Operating Expenses (OPEX) also grew, although slower by 54.42% YoY to N3.57 billion (2021: N2.26 billion). This has translated to an 86% YoY increase in Profit Before Tax (PBT) of N2.70 billion, up from pre-acquisition level of N1.50 billion, clearly showing benefits from economies of scale.

Our total balance sheet size grew considerably by 54.37% to N18.88 billion from N12.23 billion in 2021, owing largely to integration of AIICO Pension Assets. The shareholders' fund also grew by 132.03% to close at N10.27 billion from N4.43 billion in 2021. Consequently, the return on assets increased from 12.39% to 14.42%, while the return on average shareholders' fund fell to 16.94% from 17.25%, as a result of the rights issue of N4.0 billion that was raised during the year.

2023 Outlook

We are now into the second year of implementing the 4-year strategic plan; 2022-2025. This plan aims to attain N1 Trillion in AUM by year 2025 through various initiatives that have been designed and now being executed. Our first year strategy execution index shows a good score which keeps us on track to achieving the set objectives for FY 2023.

As competition in the transfer window space intensifies, PFAs will continue to innovate and cultivate ways to retain and attract clients. For us, we shall focus on our new client management programs and initiatives which focuses on increased client engagement and value add to our clients. To achieve this, we have outlined several programs such as customer forums in various Zones of the federation and also listed more companies to embark on sensitizations. We believe these engagements will minimize attrition and also enhance customer experience, while helping us attract premium RSA holders from other PFAs. We also see the recently introduced 25% Access to Contributor's RSA balance as equity contribution for Residential Mortgage, as another product that will be explored by PFAs in 2023.

Technology will continue to play a major role as we strive to enrich our customer experience through our digital platforms and improving on our processes. We shall embark on several IT projects, including the upgrading of our Operating Software, which we expect will improve efficiency and turnaround time. Through these projects we intend to improve offerings on our E-platforms and coverage areas as we plan to have more customers adopt the use of our e-channels.

We envisage that the competition landscape will continue to evolve in 2023, following new entrants into the Pension Industry via mergers and acquisitions (M&A). M&As will not be an uncommon feature as PFAs are now perceived to attract value to investors, especially in the banking industry where banks can add to the bouquet of Group offerings. We shall remain alert and continue to look for opportunities and up our customer relationship management as they arise in a bid to remain a market leader.

Finally, as the 2023 general elections hold in a few weeks' time, we anticipate wide-range reforms from the in-coming government in areas such as forex management, government debt & servicing, fuel subsidy and other fiscal variables that may improve government's finances and the operating environment. These factors have the potential to influence our business environment positively. We shall however, continue to employ our risk management framework & our compliance culture in all our dealings so as to mitigate against potential risks.

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Investment Management Group

FCMB Trustees Limited

Samuel Adesanmi
Managing Director/CEO

FCMB Trustees Limited is the security agent and a wholly owned subsidiary of the FCMB Group Plc. We are licensed by the Securities Exchange Commission to carry on the business of trust services. We have strived since inception to create a niche in the industry as a leading service provider. As trustee and security agent, we have within the period rendered services to Corporate, Public, and individual clients.

We have also developed specific products to meet our clients' needs and have client base both locally and offshore across various economic sectors, which include Manufacturing, Shipping, Oil & Gas, Information Technology, Real Estate amongst others.

2022 - An Improved Performance

The year 2022 started with great optimism arising from the suspension of the Covid 19 protocols and the full opening of economy for business operations. However, the optimism was short lived because of the shortage of foreign exchange to meet import obligations, the constant upward review of the MPR by CBN, high cost of energy and the general spiral increase of inflation rate. Nevertheless, the CBN and the money deposit banks supported the Private Sector with the highest credit in recent time. This development provided our corporate trust an opportunity to onboard several clients under the security agent services and increase our partnership with financial institutions. we would build on these relationships to boost our earnings and ensure business continuity.

Our strategic investment in a start-up technological firm is on course. The firm has successfully developed an asset tracking application which is currently undergoing testing on both Google and Apple play store. The aim is to deploy our e-Will platform on the asset tracking App with a view of onboarding Private Trust clients.

Despite the challenges, the company's performance improved significantly over the previous year.

Major highlights included the following:

In thousands	2022 N'000	2021 N'000	% change
Revenue	190.1	149.1	27.5%
Profit before tax	76.4	54.6	40%
Return on equity	11%	8%	37.5%
Shareholders Fund	492.6	464.8	5.9%
Total Assets	1,600	1,100	45.4%

Outlook for 2023

The focus will be to further position corporate trust as the major income driver by increasing the number of clients and financial partners. We would also develop and deploy the e-Will product through the asset tracking platform.

Conclusion

We want to appreciate our clients for their patronage and the confidence reposed in us. We also thank the Board for the quality leadership and support.

Business Performance Highlights

Investment Management Group

FCMB Asset Management Limited

James Ilori
Managing Director/CEO

2022 – Growth and Business Diversification

The Nigerian economy experienced slower growth, increasing by 3.54% year-on-year and 2.25% year-on-year in the second and third quarters of 2022. The economy expanded by 5.01% and 4.03% in similar periods, in 2021. Total public debt rose by 16% year-on-year, to N44.06 trillion (US$101.91 billion) in the third quarter of 2022, with external debt accounting for 39%, compared with 41% in third quarter, 2021. The one-year Headline CPI sharply rose to 18.85% in 2022 (16.95% in 2021) and exceeded the upper limit of the CBN's annual target range of 6%-9%, driven by persistent rise in domestic food prices, insecurity and flooding in food-producing states, trade restrictions and currency pressures. The CBN adopted a hawkish stance on interest rates and hiked the Monetary Policy Rate four times in 2022 to 16.5% (2021: 11.5%), which resulted in the yield on the 1-year Nigerian treasury bill increasing from 5.03% in 2021 to 8.14% by the end of 2022, The CBN's decision was induced by persistently high inflation and aggressive policy stance in advanced markets, which made carry-trade less attractive. In the equity market, the NSE All-Share Index returned 19.98% in 2022 (6.07% in 2021), with a PE ratio of 10.42x (12.33x in 2021).

In 2022, Assets Under Management grew by 14%, to N120.3 billion. In addition, our credit rating was upgraded from a national scale long-term issuer rating of BBB+(NG) to A-(NG), while we were assigned a short-term issuer rating of A2(NG), by GCR. Also, we set-up an Alternative Assets unit and submitted a Fund registration request to the Securities & Exchange Commission, for the first-ever private credit fund in Nigeria, the FCMB-TLG Nigeria Credit Fund. Under our digital transformation programme, we upgraded our customer web-portal, as part of improving user-experience on the Portal.

Outlook for 2023

We forecast a GDP growth rate of 2.95%. Economic outlook will likely remain challenging in the first half of 2023 with slowing GDP growth, as global economic activity weakens, the transition to a new government occurs and as foreign exchange liquidity tightens further. The oil sector is expected to continue its recovery, while Trade and ICT in the non-oil sector are expected to record strong growth. Aggressive policy tightening by central banks in advanced economies is expected to begin to weigh heavily on consumption and demand for oil, although the Russia-Ukraine crisis provides downside risk to lower oil prices. For the second half of the year, we expect to see improvement across all sectors as the new government rolls out policies to stimulate the economy. We anticipate yields on bonds rising in the first half of 2023, due to the additional government borrowing needs, further Naira devaluation, and removal of energy subsidies. In the third quarter, yields should trend higher, given the likelihood of further policy tightening, before stabilising in the fourth quarter. We are bullish equities, based on expectations of market-friendly policies from a new government, and are projecting a market rally of over 30% in 2023.

We plan to open the Offer to invest in the FCMB-TLG Credit Fund in the first quarter, with a target size of N10 billion, and intend to launch Series 2 of the Fund in the third quarter. We intend to strengthen our Portfolio Management, Business Development and Operations teams, to enable us better serve customers.

Business Performance Highlights
Investment Banking Group

FCMB Capital Markets Limited

Abimbola Kasim
Acting Managing Director

FCMB Capital Markets Limited ("FCMB Capital Markets") is the investment banking subsidiary of FCMB Group Plc and provides financial and strategic advisory services to leading companies and public institutions in Nigeria. Our services include arranging debt and equity finance, advising on project and structured finance transactions, as well as mergers and acquisitions, and restructuring services including balance sheet and corporate restructurings.

2022 Review

The post-pandemic recovery that bolstered the global economy in 2021 was subdued in 2022 due to an acceleration in global inflation facilitated by the resurgence in demand for goods and services associated with the reopening of economies and the increased monetary liquidity from COVID-era stimulus packages. The rise in Inflation was further aggravated by the outbreak of the Russia-Ukraine war, casting a shadow on global economic recovery.

In Nigeria, although the inflation rate declined slightly to 21.34% in December 2022, it remained stuck at double digit levels averaging 18.76% on an annual basis. The sustained high rate of inflation has been an offshoot of the rise in food prices and imported inflation. To tame the raging inflation, the Central Bank's Monetary Policy Committee raised the Monetary Policy Rate four times in 2022 from 11.5% to 16.5%.

Nigeria's foreign exchange instability remained unabated through 2022 as Foreign Investment inflows to Nigeria fell to its lowest level since 2019 ($23.9bn) to $5.3bn by the end of 2022. The abysmal result was largely due to the Nigeria's opaque FX management strategy and sustained capital control measures that make repatriation of funds difficult.

The higher interest rate environment coupled with the weak macro-economic fundamentals and the Oil sector's poor performance further dampened Nigeria's economic performance with the real GDP rate of 3.1% year-on-year in 2022. The non-oil sector however continued to impress as the main engine room of the nation's economy, growing by 4.8% year-on-year in 2022.

Despite the challenges and uncertainties that clouded the year 2022, the stock market closed the year strongly with both the market capitalisation and the All-Share Index growing by 25.20% and 19.98% respectively.

In the fixed income market, higher interest rates induced upward repricing of assets (for instance, average FGN bond yield rose by 163bps between 30 December 2021 and 2022) while raging inflation sent real assets returns into negative territory.

FCMB Capital Markets' Key Performance Highlights in 2022

FCMB Capital Markets' growth stride continued to blossom as the company executed several significant transactions during the year under review including the following:

- debut commercial paper issuance by one of Nigeria's most storied conglomerates which attracted significant interest across a wide array of investors and an impressive 378.9% oversubscription;
- bond issuance by the largest cement company in SSA with a 250% subscription;
- debut bond issuance by the promoters of Africa and Nigeria's largest oil refinery and the world's largest single-train facility based on production capacity resulting in the largest bond issuance by a corporate or sub-national in Nigeria;
- successfully raised over N40bn for an infrastructure fund over two Series offerings;
- debut Naira bond issuance for an Africa based supranational focused on housing development with a 139% subscription;

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- merger of two mid-sized pension management companies; and the
- debut bond issuance by a leading indigenous tower company in Nigeria with a 127% subscription.

Outlook for 2023

The World Bank and the FGN estimate that Nigeria's economy will grow by 2.9% and 3.8% respectively, in 2023. This growth is predicated on the stable transition of government and gradual improvement in economic performance during 2023.

FCMB Capital Markets will continue to be strategically positioned to take advantage of investment banking opportunities that may arise in the identified growth sectors including the need for portfolio & strategic investments, financial advisory or capital raising. The growth sectors include Agriculture, ICT, FMCG, Finance & Insurance, and Infrastructure among others.

We also anticipate a moderation in inflation and the yield environment as well as strong corporate performance to boost corporates confidence in consummating listing and/or capital raising opportunities.

Business Performance Highlights

Investment Banking Group

CSL Stockbrokers Limited

Abiodun Fagbulu
Managing Director/CEO

The Nigerian economy remained resilient in 2022, recording a positive annual growth rate in the first three quarters of the year. The growth momentum was majorly driven by the non-oil sector of the economy while the performance of the oil sector remained subdued and constituted a drag on economic performance. According to the MSCI All-Country World Index (ACWI), the Nigerian equities market posted the fourth-best performance globally in 2022, gaining 19.98%. The feat was largely driven by the strong performance recorded in the first half of 2022, which saw the Nigerian All Share Index advance by 21.31%, which more than compensated for the 1.09% loss recorded in H2'2022. The positive performance in H1'2022 was supported by investors positioning in some names ahead of FY'2021 dividends, renewed interest in large-cap stocks, especially telecommunication stocks, as well as fairly decent Q1'2022 earnings.

Trading activity increased with total value traded on the local bourse totaling N2.33trn, 23% above traded value in 2021. CSL recorded trades valued at N86 billion compared with N51 billion in 2021, representing an increase of 68.6%. The result was an improvement in our ranking from 11th to 7th, reflecting growth in our market share from 2.7% to 3.7% due mostly to increased activity from our foreign clients.

Consequently, total revenue from our local business (including dividends from our local subsidiary) improved significantly by 42% to N1.83bn compared with N1.29bn recorded in 2021 while profit before tax (PBT) rose to N1.06bn compared with N702.5m recorded in prior year. Our UK subsidiary, CSL Capital (UK) posted revenues of N1.14bn in the year under review, while PBT closed the year at N284m. Consolidated PBT for CSLS and its subsidiaries for the year was N1.70bn compared with N1.69bn in 2021.

For FY'2023, our goal is centered on growth and innovation. We recognize the importance of staying ahead of the curve in a dynamic market environment and we are committed to making the necessary investments to achieve our goals. One key area of focus for us is expanding our product offerings beyond traditional equities brokerage. We will be exploring new asset classes and investment opportunities to diversify our revenue streams and offer our clients a wider range of investment options. We are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead and are committed that these investments will position us for success in 2023 and beyond while delivering value to our clients through our continued focus on innovation, talent development, and excellent customer service.

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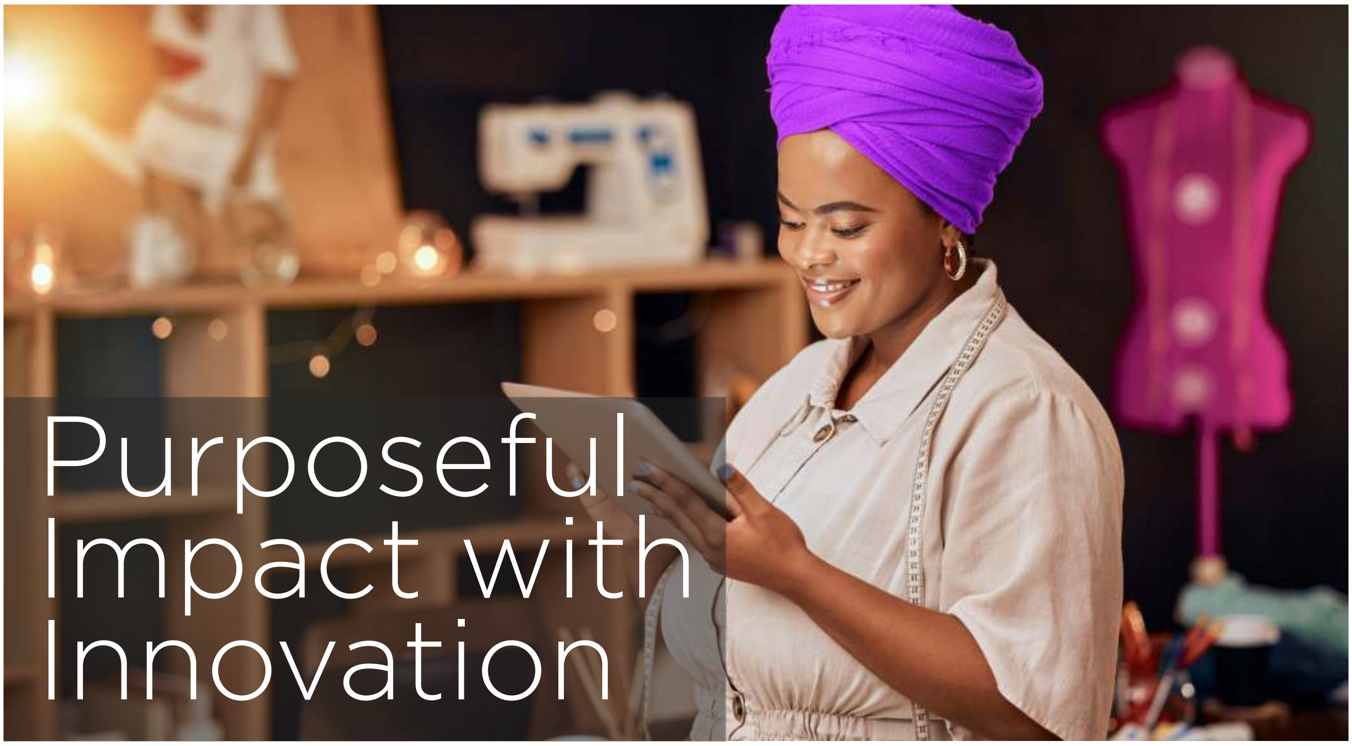

Sustainability in FCMB Group Plc.

Our commitment to a greater purpose beyond financial returns drives sustainable progress at FCMB Group. We firmly believe we can only prosper when people in our local communities thrive, and the environment is protected and preserved for future generations.

We recognise the need for urgent action against climate change, social and economic exclusion, and lack of opportunities by creating and supporting an ecosystem of changemakers rooted in Africa, connecting people, capital, and markets.

Despite the challenges of the past year, which include rampaging floods across many states, the global cost of living and the energy crisis caused by the Russia-Ukraine war, lingering COVID-19 woes, and gruesome inflation in 2022, we delivered a strong environmental, social, and corporate governance scorecard.

This report highlights how we use innovation to serve people and businesses in alignment with the Global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and regulatory disclosure guidelines through our activities and business platforms.

OUR BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

Environmental and Social Risk Management

FCMB continues to improve its lending processes to meet Global Best Practices in Social and Environmental Risk Management (SERM). The Bank incorporated additional and emerging environmental and social risks, including Gender-Based Violence and Harassment, Climate Risk, Circular Economy, and Environmental strategy, into its Environmental and Social (E&S) policy and procedure.

Through its Social and Environmental Management System (SEMS), the Bank screens, categorizes, appraises, and performs necessary due diligence on all loans granted to its Retail, Business and Corporate Banking customers.

In our business activities, we continue to identify mainstream Climate Risk, ensuring financial flows to sustainable development priorities align with the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TFCD)s. To align with Communication of Progress-COP 26 goals and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) of Nigeria and meet the

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Climate Actions – SDG 13, FCMB continues to extend its support to greener businesses, i.e., in renewable energy and energy efficiency spaces, Agriculture, and Technology to build a green portfolio and drive a low carbon economy towards being a net zero financial institution. We pursue these by collaborating and partnering with Multilateral Financial Institutions (MFIs) and Development Finance Institutions (DFIs) like - PROPARCO, Mastercard, the African Development Bank and International Finance Corporation.

OUR BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Environmental and Social Footprint

FCMB continues to push the border of innovation, making work-life balance as rewarding as possible and creating a conducive working environment.

Some of our landmark achievements in 2022 include the following:

- Successfully hosted the 9th Annual General Meeting (AGM) online and streamed it live to shareholders and stakeholders via social channels.
- We upgraded our Flexible and Smart work policy resulting in 60% of our workforce working remotely. This, in turn, resulted in a reduction in CO2 emissions and diesel consumption, as shown in the Energy Efficiency Audit carried out at the Head Office and Annexes.
- Regarding employee wellness and care, HR policies were upgraded to ensure employees have access to a comprehensive health plan with competitive compensation while providing a robust performance-driven reward system.
- Improved communication by consistently sharing our vision, goals, performance data, challenges, risks and stakeholder feedback to build trust and encourage transparency between the Bank's Management and Employees.
- Encouraged career growth through the revamp of the Career Management Framework.
- Kicked off various Graduate Trainee Programs to attract the best talents with defined career paths in the Bank:
  - 42 graduates participated in the Executive Trainee Programme.
  - FCMB organized a boot camp for developers with few years of experience in coding to join the Technology Division. The Bootcamp will be an annual event.
  - 10 graduates were onboarded for 2022 in the newly introduced Agribusiness Graduate Development Programme (AGDP), aimed at producing dynamic leaders and developing multi-dimensional talents needed to succeed in the Agribusiness banking space in the years to come.
- Online Learning and Development scaled to 100% of staff training programmes.
- All ATMs upgraded to use fingerprint services nationwide, reducing the use of plastic cards.
- HubOne, a co-working space developed to support early-stage tech start-ups, experienced a significant increase in community membership to over 4,500 new entrepreneurs, with over 20,000 members compared to 550 in 2021. In addition, we impacted over 5000 founders through our flagship capacity-building program, "Epic Hour." Total funding raised by HubOne participants reached $27 million in 2022.
- In 2022, through our unique Women-In-Business initiative (SheVentures), we supported budding female techpreneurs with grants and seed funds. We also celebrated the fourth anniversary of the SheVentures proposition, and celebrated the milestone of 50,000 women-owned businesses receiving funding support from inception. 150 women-empowered businesses were offered up to N310 million in Zero Interest Loans. 125 women-owned businesses provided credit guarantees to secure loans without collateral. Over 2000 women in business have attended business management training programs (webinars), gotten free advisory services, mentorship and more. Another 2,000 participated in free entrepreneurship capacity-building sessions, with 240 more mentored.
- Energy Transition and Climate Change Action: 154 branches and 573 ATMs (73% of total branches) are now on solar power, further reducing our carbon footprint by 60% YoY with an estimated diesel cost savings of N64m monthly.
- The Bank bagged ISO- recertifications:
  - **ISO 27001** – Implementation of Information Security Management across the Bank's systems and networks
  - **ISO 20000** – Implementation of Service Management system across all IT operations and processes
  - **PCI-DSS** – Implementation of PCI-DSS requirements across the Bank's cards and payment environment and other in-scope functions

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- **ISO 20022** – Implementation of the new swift message format on the bank swift environment and other payment systems
- **ISO 9000** – Implementation of Quality Management System across all the Bank's processes and operations.

- We continued our Corporate Recycling Utilization Programme at strategic business locations, saving 25% of waste to landfills, resulting in a 65% increase in waste upcycling uptake.
- In 2022, we operated a 100% regulatory-audited safe business environment.

Digital Transformation

Our digital transformation drive played a significant role in reducing our carbon footprint, whilst advancing our business and learning objectives as a Group.

Some of our key achievements include:

- Increasing the number of customers using mobile channels (app and USSD) from 3,703,133 customers in 2021 to 4,534, 732 in 2022.
- Onboarding 774,396 new to bank customers via mobile and agency channels, reducing the need to visit branches for account opening and improving financial inclusion.
- Increasing the number of newly onboarded offsite agents to 15,000 in 2022, representing a 5X growth Year on Year. These fixed agents opened over 250,000 accounts and conducted about 4m transactions worth N65Billion, bringing greater convenience to our customers that still perform cash transactions.
- Underwriting and disbursing over #1,145,541 loans totalling over N208 billion via digital channels (mobile and web)
- Underwriting the disbursement of over 1 million loans worth N47 billion with the use of artificial intelligence and automated workflows, thereby reducing paperwork and improving customer experience, credit penetration and financial inclusion.
- Growing assets under management by 159% to N6.83 billion (including Gro and iNest) in our Gro suite of digital wealth products.

Supporting access to affordable clean energy

In 2022, the Bank disbursed nearly N2bn in direct loans to renewable energy businesses. This brings our total exposure to over N6bn across mini-grids, commercial, industrial and Solar Home Systems (SHS). Our investments are expected to generate over 2.5MWp (Mega Watt peak) of Photovoltaic capacity and lead to over 6,000 new connections consisting of households and businesses that are attracting suitable investments to Nigeria and will, in turn, impact directly on performance indices like local and national GDP and indirectly on employment, supply chain, infrastructure and more.

Workplace Culture and Diversity

- 33% female representation on the Bank's (12)-member Executive Management Committee.
- In 2022, 41% of our workforce were women (See Figure 1 below).
- Four physically challenged employees were part of measures to promote diversity and inclusion.
- A minimum of 60 training hours per employee was observed.
- Celebrated annual Employee Health Week and Customer Service week.
- Weekly sensitization tips on health and wellness
- Provided robust health benefits for all employees.
- Strict adherence to FCMB's non-discrimination policy.

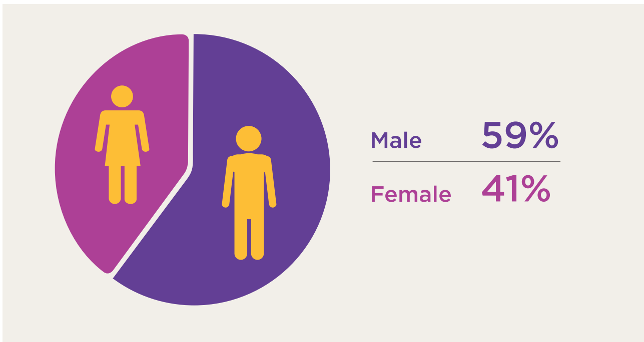

Figure 1 - FCMB Workforce

Youth Empowerment

Over 20,000 youths participated in the 2022 edition of the Flexx Writing Challenge. It provided them with a platform to earn cash prizes for writing. The monthly Flexx Masterclass Series provided training on key business and career topics. At the same time, the Flexxpreneur of the Month offered funding to winners and the opportunity to showcase their products and services to a broader audience.

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Financial Inclusion

The Group consolidated its microfinance business through FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited and a robust Agent Banking network comprising 15,000 Fixed Agents and 200 branches, achieving a transaction volume of N250B in 2022, as against N45B in 2021.

The microfinance lending business covered 30 states and onboarded nearly 80,000 customers (22% growth YoY) comprising 82% (91, 138) female and 48% youth. Total microfinance loan disbursement grew to N13.3b in 2022EOY.

Through our agent network, spread across urban and rural communities, we opened accounts for over 250,000 individuals and created financial as well as credit profiles for the unbanked and under-banked, crossing over 1.5m accounts in 2022.

It makes it easier for them to obtain loans and grants, enjoy other benefits, such as cash deposits into any bank account, withdrawals, transfer funds, buy airtime, pay bills, and carry out other financial transactions conveniently and securely. They also have opportunities to access the Bank's agricultural value chain products and services via our EasyClub Platform.

We worked with three major funding partners in 2022 - Mastercard Foundation, World Savings Banking Institute (WSBI), and Women World Banking. Through the Mastercard Foundation's partnership worth $27m, we provided single-digit interest-rate loans to alleviate the challenges faced by vulnerable people and MSME businesses in critical sectors. With WSBI's $1.2.m partnership, we assisted over 50,000 small-holder farmers in opening new accounts and developing a savings culture. We also worked on a sustainable micro-insurance product with Women World Banking for people at the bottom of the pyramid. The business also sealed a partnership project with Opportunity International on EduFinance project, where several education finance products were developed and offered training to support 1.2m beneficiaries within 5 years.

Reporting

FCMB fully aligns with the Central Bank of Nigeria's (CBN) bi-annual and the Nigeria Stock Exchange's (NGX) annual reporting systems. Equally, the bank shares periodic reports with foreign - United Nation Global Compact (UNGC) and local partners - Nigeria Conservation Foundation (NCF).

Community Initiatives and Specific Engagements

FCMB continues to deliver benefits to its host communities with its Corporate Social Responsibility pillars of Economic Empowerment, Poverty Alleviation and Environmental Sustainability by creating value and providing resilient responses to the challenges in these communities.

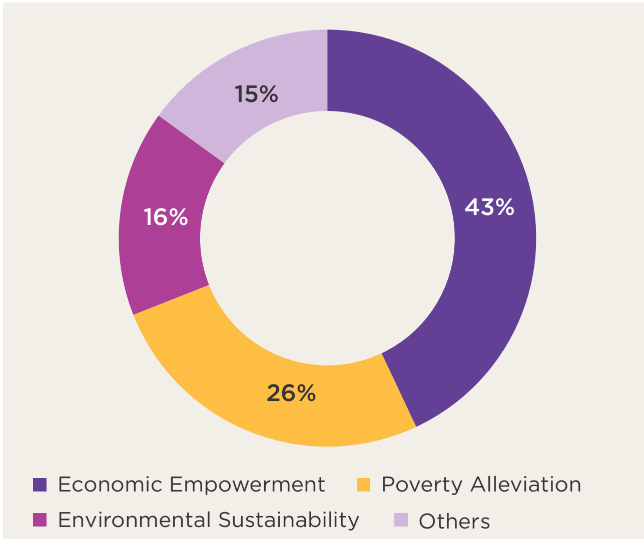

Figure 2 - CSR expenses in 2022

Financial Literacy and World Savings Day 2022 celebration - (FLD/WSD)

Since 2015, we have continued to build and deepen savings culture tenets among the future generation by equipping over 50,000 secondary school students across the nation with financial literacy skills, a cardinal activity of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)-led World Savings Day annual celebration.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Empowered for the Future

FCMB, in partnership with Youth Empowerment Foundation (YEF), organized the fifth edition of "Empowered for the Future (E4F)", a 12-month program designed to empower youths in Lagos and Oyo states and Abuja. The project has benefited 500 youths directly, who have, in turn, transferred the knowledge gained on financial literacy, employment strategies, life skills, and social support to over 7500 peers.

Flexxtern 6.0 Initiative

Delivering on our promise for inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work, we inducted 30 recent graduates into our

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annual Flexxtern Internship Program. The #FCMBFlexxtern program has boosted the careers of over 150 youths since its inception in 2016 with career-building experience, mentorship and partnership with other organizations.

Vocational Skills Acquisition by Women

FCMB partnered with MitiMeth to train 100 women in Ogun state and 600 more beneficiaries nationwide with vocational skills to transform Water Hyacinths plants into creative items of daily use for economic benefit. These women underwent a 2-week Bootcamp to gain skills to transform the plant into ropes to make household decor and fashion items like bags, cups, foot mats etc., to be sold in the local market.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

#Environmental Restoration

For eight consecutive years, the bank has partnered with the Nigerian Conservation Foundation (NCF) to celebrate World Environment Day (WED). The 2022 edition, themed **#OnlyOneEarth,** had over 400 students from various locations across Nigeria in attendance. It educated all attendees on ways to recover eroded ecosystems and mitigate climate change impact. This aligns with the Green Recovery Nigeria (GRN) Initiative's goals in fulfilling the UN-SDG goals 11, 13, 15 & 17.

Central Business District-CBD Cleaning Initiative

For Seven (7) years now, FCMB has continued to partner with the Lagos State Government Central Business District (CBD) on the "Cleaner-Greener Lagos Initiative" to clean the Tinubu/Marina Business axis. Since 2016, FCMB has consistently provided monthly salaries, equipment and apparel for the cleaners who ensure the environment remains clean.

POVERTY ALLEVIATION

#PricelessGiftofSight

FCMB has continued to restore hope to Nigerians with eye-related problems by helping them regain the Priceless Gift of Sight. Over 350,000 beneficiaries from Katsina, Owerri, Yola, Ogun, Kebbi, Cross Rivers and FCT have enjoyed free access to eye care services delivered by world-class ophthalmologists, including eye surgeries, primary eye testing and provision of eyeglasses.

In 2022, FCMB sponsored Three (3) outreaches in Abuja, Cross Rivers and Kebbi, resulting in more than 1,000 surgery interventions to tackle avoidable blindness.

Prosthetic Limb Donation

Amputation is a serious issue that has stolen the joy and livelihood of amputees, with the affected individuals having to depend on others for assistance. FCMB partnered with the Ishk-Tolaram Foundation (limb center) and donated 50 Artificial Prosthetic limbs to the physically challenged in Lagos and Enugu state. The limbs helped amputees regain mobility and function adequately in society. This partnership aims to achieve the UN-SDGs goals 1, 2, and 3 (No poverty, Zero Hunger, Good health and well-being).

Supporting the Less Privileged

Since 2007, FCMB has supported Bethesda Child Support Agency (BCSA) by giving scholarships to less privileged children. Our support has contributed significantly to the children's academic progress, with over 5000 beneficiaries.

Additional support provided by the Bank includes:

- Distribution of school bags to children in public schools
- Distribution of writing materials and exercise books to public school pupils.
- Distribution of 1000 Kiosk Umbrellas to our customers
- Employment of 50 children of customers in local communities.

FCMB – FOSTERING INCLUSIVE AND SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

FCMB is transitioning from a platform to a supportive ecosystem that brings multiple platforms and stakeholders together. In the process, we will unlock shared growth and prosperity.

Our business activities and operations are designed to achieve a greater purpose by ensuring we lend responsibly, increase diversity, equity, and inclusion, adhere to health and safety standards, and reduce or avoid any negative environmental impact. We have chosen the path of collaboration and partnerships to make our contributions in solving some of Nigeria's and indeed the world's greatest challenges. We will continue to lead by example and serve as a critical resource through which like-minded change makers can fulfill their purpose.

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Corporate Governance

Board of Directors

Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi was born on 12 July 1942. He has an Oxford MA (Honours) in Law and was a jurisprudence scholar at the University of Oxford from 1963 to 1966. He was a senior with Coopers and Lybrand Lagos from 1966 to 1970, before moving to Nigerian Acceptances (later NAL Plc) as General Manager, Corporate Finance and Investment Banking, a role he occupied from 1971 to 1972, with responsibility for most of the initial IPOs that were listed on the nascent Nigerian Stock Exchange. From 1978 to 1982, he worked with Arthur Andersen now KPMG, the then largest accounting firm in the world, where he was the sole Nigerian founding partner of the Firm.

Over the years, Mr. Jadesimi has run several businesses in the energy, finance and real estate sectors.

He is the Founder and Chairman of Ladol Group, the largest indigenous Free Zone Industrial Park, which hosts a variety of high-value industrial free zone enterprises. He also currently serves as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Niger Delta Exploration and Production Plc, one of the largest indigenous integrated oil and gas producing companies. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (FCA) and a member of the Institute of Canadian Institute of Certified Public Accountants (CPA).

Mr. Jadesimi joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc on 27 December 2017 as a Non-Executive Director and was appointed Chairman of the Board on 8 March 2018.

Mr. Ladi Balogun was born on 12 April 1972. He holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of East Anglia, UK and an MBA from Harvard Business School, US. He has over 20 years' experience in commercial and investment banking in Europe, the US and Africa.

Mr. Balogun began his banking career in 1993 at Morgan Grenfell & Co Limited, where he worked in the areas of risk management and corporate finance (debt origination). He was responsible for managing the bank's trading and investment positions in debt instruments in Latin America and Eastern Europe, and also part of a team that structured numerous complex debt deals in Latin America, Eastern Europe and the Asian subcontinent. Subsequently, he worked at Citibank in New York before returning to Nigeria as an Executive Assistant to the Chairman and Chief Executive in 1996.

He has worked in various areas of the Bank, including Treasury, Corporate Banking and Investment Banking. He was appointed an Executive Director in charge of the Institutional Banking Group (IBG) in 1997.

In 2000, he was made Executive Director in charge of Strategy and Business Development, and in 2001 he rose to the position of the Bank's Deputy Managing Director and was subsequently appointed Managing Director of First City Monument Bank Plc (now First City Monument Bank Limited).

Mr. Ladi Balogun became the Group Chief Executive of FCMB Group Plc effective 14 March 2017.

Board of Directors

Mr. Gbolahan Joshua
Executive Director
(Chief Operating Officer)

Mr. Olufemi Badeji
Executive Director
(Coverage & Investment Banking)

Mr. Gbolahan Joshua was born on 17 March 1975. He has over 21 years of banking experience across various areas, including Finance, Strategy, Business Transformation, Investor Relations, Performance Management, Treasury, Operations, Technology and Digital Banking. He has served in various leadership capacities as CFO, CIO and COO.

Prior to joining FCMB Group as Chief Operating Officer (COO), he was the Executive Director, Chief Operations and Information Officer with Fidelity Bank Plc, where he led various transformation initiatives.

One of his remarkable achievements was the Introduction of a proprietary performance management software/tool that significantly improved employee productivity and ROE of the institution. He was the Project Director for several initiatives including the technology refresh project, digital transformation project and 3 successful International and local debt capital raising transactions in the last 5 years.

He attended Kings College Lagos, is a graduate of Olabisi Onabanjo University, an Associate Member (ACA) of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) and a Senior Member (HCIB) of the Chartered Institute of Bankers (CIBN).

He has attended executive training programs at leading business schools including Harvard, Stanford, IMD, INSEAD and IESE.

Mr. Joshua joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc effective 2 September 2021.

Mr. Olufemi Badeji was born on 9 January 1975. He has over 15 years of investment banking experience in the US, Nigeria and South Africa. Mr. Badeji has worked for the now defunct Lehman Brothers and Houlihan Lokey in the US. Moving back to Nigeria in October 2009, he worked as a Vice President for FCMB Capital Markets.

In September 2011, he joined Rand Merchant Bank and was the Head of Corporate Finance for Nigeria until he joined FCMB Group Plc.

Mr. Badeji's transaction experience includes capital raising (both debt and equity), corporate restructuring, private equity transactions and providing financial advice to institutions in industries spanning architecture, business services, fast-moving consumer goods, financial services, infrastructure, telecoms, IT services, oil and gas, the public sector and specialty finance.

Mr. Badeji joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc effective 2 October 2019.

Board of Directors

Professor
Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON
Non-Executive Director

Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru was born on 28 July 1954. He is a graduate of the University of Sussex in Brighton, UK, where he obtained a BSc in Materials Science and Engineering. He concluded his PhD at the University of Birmingham, UK in Industrial Metallurgy.

He began his career as a lecturer in mechanical engineering at the Universities of Lagos and Ibadan before serving as Nigerian Senior Research Fellow at the International Tin Research Institute in the UK. He is currently the Managing Director/CEO of Tricontinental Oil Services Ltd.

He is an accomplished materials and metallurgical engineer with about 40 years of comprehensive professional experience in academia, entrepreneurship, management engineering, technologies invention and consulting for the enhancement of productivity in major industries worldwide.

He also has a strong background in programme development and quality assurance, with an outstanding history of managing projects from initial conception, through development, to implementation for major oil and gas, chemical, petrochemical, steel production and energy production industries worldwide. He holds an exceptional record for executing mission-critical projects on schedule and within budget, and is highly skilled in strategic planning, budget controls and problem solving. He also has extensive international experience in the UK, the US, Canada, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, the Far East and Asia.

Professor Ashiru has extensive project management experience in major international refining, chemical, petrochemical, offshore oil and gas development, pipeline, infrastructure and power generation projects ranging from US$40 million to US$2 billion. He is also a successful businessman who has worked extensively on multinational joint venture projects representing owners or as a contractor.

He has served on joint venture and consortium executive committees and has participated directly in claims negotiations and settlement agreements in excess of US$100 million. His wealth of experience also includes member of the governing board responsible for strategic and operational decisions, and he was responsible for world-wide engineering operations for proposals and projects.

Professor Ashiru is an expert consultant and board member of many international research centres and major industrial sectors, and he has served worldwide on various governmental multidisciplinary task forces and technical committees.

Professor Ashiru holds American, British, European, Brazilian, and other international patents for products and systems that he invented. He is a recipient of several merit awards, including (but not limited to) his recognition in the US as a 'Professional with Extraordinary Ability', listings in Who's Who in the World and the Dictionary of International Biography, and the prestigious Distinguished Innovator Award of the Association of Tin Producing Countries.

Professor Ashiru joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc on 23 December 2013.

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Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora was born on 5 August 1964. She is a Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria and a member of the Chartered Institute of Taxation of Nigeria.

She holds a treasurer's dealership certificate jointly issued by the Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria and Money Market Association of Nigeria (now the Financial Markets Dealers Association of Nigeria) and is also a certified information systems auditor. The founding partner of Abax-Oosa Professionals, a firm of chartered accountants, Mrs. Sofowora has several years of professional work experience that cuts across banking, human resources consultancy, tax advisory, finance and accounting.

Mrs. Sofowora joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc on 27 December 2017.

Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael was born on 28 March 1966. She is an alumna of the London Business School and the University of London. She is a Chartered Financial Analyst and a member of the CFA Institute and the board of the African Venture Capital Association.

She has over 20 years' experience spanning investment banking, private equity investing, technology and new business development in the USA, Europe and Africa.

Mrs. Ishmael was Country Partner for Nigeria at Aureos Capital where she raised $50 million for the Aureos West Africa Fund. Previously, she was a mergers and acquisitions banker at Salomon Smith Barney and Managing Director of Avante Capital Ltd. She is a co-founder and Managing Director of Alitheia Capital.

She served diligently on the Board of First City Monument Bank Limited (the Bank) from January 2013 to February 2020 and has over the years been of tremendous positive influence on the Bank's innovative drive. She brings on board wealth of experience of great impact at the Group level.

Mrs. Ishmael joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc effective 28 April 2020.

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Dr. Gregory Ero was born on 1 July 1947. He is a graduate of the University of Ibadan with a BSc (Honours) in Chemistry. He attended Imperial College, London, where he obtained an MSc and DIC in Petroleum Engineering, and he obtained a DMS from Templeton College, University of Oxford. He furthered his studies at the Graduate School of Business, University of Columbia, New York and the Institute for Management Development in Lausanne, Switzerland.

He began his career as a petroleum engineer in the Lagos office of the Federal Ministry of Petroleum and Energy, and thereafter, was posted as Head, Federal Ministry of Petroleum Resources, Warri. He spent much of his career in the public service, where he served in many capacities, spanning three decades in the petroleum industry at NNPC. He has held many positions, including CEO/Group General Manager of NAPIMS-NNPC; Managing Director, National Engineering and Technical Company (NETCO) – a joint venture owned by NNPC and Betchel of the US and several executive positions in NNPC.

Dr. Gregory Ero is a Fellow of many professional bodies and Fellow, Institute of Directors of Great Britain. He is presently the Chairman/CEO of Arkleen Oil and Gas Ltd and Chairman, Cardinal Drilling Company Ltd, among others.

He joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc on 23 December 2013.

Ms. Muibat Ijaiya was born on January 14, 1972. She is a Strategy Development and Execution expert focused on measurable transformation and impact. She has 19 years consulting and advisory experience, working with clients across Europe, Middle East, Africa and Asia.

She holds a BSc Mathematics & Education from the University of Surrey and a Warwick Business School MSc. Management Science and Operational Research certificate. She also obtained an MBA from the University of Manchester.

Ms. Ijaiya is a partner at Strategy Management Partners, a professional services organisation focused on helping private and public organisations around the world to clarify, develop, align and execute their strategies. Prior to this, she was a director with Palladium Group Inc (United Kingdom & Middle East) and previously worked directly with Drs. Kaplan & Norton, the co-creators of the Strategy Focused Organisation and Balanced Scorecard concepts. Other advisory experience was in Corporate Finance with Ernst and Young (UK) focused on Transaction Advisory Solutions, Restructuring, Turnaround and Commercial Due Diligence. She also worked with Robson Rhodes RSM Business Consulting (EMEA) focused on Transformation and Change Management.

Ms. Ijaiya continues to work in advancing the science of strategy execution, particularly for organisations in complex industries and public institutions focused on transforming key sectors.

She joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc effective 28 April 2021.

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Alhaji Mustapha Damcida
Non-Executive Director

Alhaji Mustapha Damcida was born on 20 March 1963. He holds a Diploma in Law from Ahmadu Bello University and a BSc in Business Administration from Robert Morris University, Pittsburgh, United States.

He is the MD/CEO of Damus International Limited, Damus Security Solutions Limited and Damson Properties Limited. He was a Director at the Nigerian American Bank Limited between 2004 and 2005. He also sits on the Boards of Chanrai Nigeria Ltd, Trevi Foundations Ltd, Unique Pharmaceuticals Ltd, and Kewalram Nig. Ltd.

He joined the Board of FCMB Group Plc as a Non-Executive Director on 1 July, 2013.

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February 2023

REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL CONSULTANTS ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF FCMB GROUP PLC FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022.

The Board of FCMB Group Plc ("FCMB Group" or "the Group") engaged DCSL Corporate Services Limited (DCSL) to carry out a performance evaluation of the Board of Directors for the year ended 31 December 2022 in line with the provisions of the **Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Corporate Governance Guidelines for Public Companies ("SCGG") and Principle 14.1 of the Nigerian Code of Corporate Governance, 2018 ("NCCG").**

To ascertain the extent of compliance with relevant corporate governance principles, and appraise the performance of the Board, we benchmarked the Company's corporate governance structures, policies, and processes against the above-mentioned Codes as well as global best practices and considered the following seven key corporate governance themes:

1. Board Structure and Composition;
2. Strategy and Planning;
3. Board Operations and Effectiveness;
4. Measuring and Monitoring of Performance;
5. Risk Management and Compliance;
6. Corporate Citizenship; and
7. Transparency and Disclosure.

In conducting the appraisal, we reviewed the Group's corporate and statutory documents, Minutes of Board and Committee meetings, policies, processes, and ancillary documents made available to us. We also administered questionnaires and interacted with some members of the Board. Our review confirms that FCMB Group has substantially complied with the provisions of the SCGG and NCCG and that the activities of the Board and the Group significantly align with corporate governance best practices. The Board has demonstrated commendable oversight of the activities of the Group's Operating Companies and a strong commitment to emplacing a culture of corporate governance.

We have proffered recommendations to address the areas of improvement identified during the appraisal exercise and have assurance that the Board would take appropriate steps to implement these.

We are grateful for the opportunity to be of service and look forward to working with you in the future. Please accept the assurances of our highest regards and esteem.

Yours faithfully,

For: DCSL Corporate Services Limited

Bisi Adeyemi
Managing Director
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DCSL Corporate Services Limited

Corporate Governance

Commitment to Corporate Governance

FCMB Group Plc (the Group) remains committed to institutionalizing corporate governance principles. It continues to adhere to the implementation of Corporate Governance Rules of the Central Bank of Nigeria, The Nigerian Exchange Group, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria.

The Group's Board (the Board) operates in line with its responsibilities as contained in Regulatory Codes of Corporate Governance, the Company's Articles of Association and the Companies and Allied Matters Act. Its oversight of the operations and activities of the Company are carried out transparently without undue influence.

The Group has undertaken to create an institutional framework conducive to defending the integrity of our Directors, and is convinced that on account of this, the Group's Board is functioning in a highly effective manner. It is intended that we continue to challenge ourselves to improve in areas where the need for improvement is identified.

Board Composition and Independence

The Board is composed of ten Directors made up of seven Non-Executive Directors and three Executive Directors, in line with international best practice which requires the number of Non-Executive Directors to be more than the Executive Directors.

The appointment of Board members is in line with the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020, CBN Code of Corporate Governance, and the Company's selection criteria for Directors.

The Group's Board, led by a Non-Executive Chairman, is composed of individuals with enviable records of achievement in their respective fields and who bring on board high levels of competencies and experience. The Board meets regularly to set broad policies for the Group's business and operations and ensures that an objective and professional relationship is maintained with the Group's internal and external auditors in order to promote transparency in financial and non-financial reporting.

Directors' emoluments, as well as their shareholding information, are disclosed in the Company's Annual Report and Accounts.

The Directors are guided by the Code of Conduct of the Central Bank of Nigeria for Directors and the Securities and Exchange Commission Code of Corporate Governance for Public Companies in Nigeria as well as the Nigerian Code of Corporate Governance.

Board Selection and Appointment Process

The Board of the Company ensures a formal and transparent process for the selection and appointment of Directors to the Board. The Board Governance and Remuneration Committee plays a major role in the selection of candidates for appointment to the Board.

Appointed candidates must:
- be analytically strong.
- be financially savvy.
- contribute to a gender-diverse Board.
- be experienced in asset management.
- be suitably educated and professionally qualified.
- hold extensive relevant experience.
- be able to support business generation.
- have a good relationship with the regulatory authority.
- be well respected in society.
- demonstrate very high levels of integrity.
- pass the fit and proper person test.

The process involves:

- a careful analysis of the existing Board's strengths and weaknesses, its skills, experience gaps and diversity considering the Company's current business priorities and future plans;
- identification, shortlisting and interviewing candidates with the appropriate expertise and experience;
- conducting formal and informal background checks to ensure they are fit and proper persons to sit on the Board of the Company;
- discussing formally with prospective candidates the Board's expectations and the nominee's ability to make the necessary commitment;
- the appointment process is communicated to Board members and filed by the Company Secretary;
- external consultants may be engaged as appropriate to obtain an independent view and input into the appointment process;
- once the nomination is approved by the Board, the Company Secretary notifies the CBN in writing, seeking the CBN's approval to the appointment;
- upon approval by the CBN, the appointment and approval is communicated to the new Director in writing; and
- other required regulatory authorities are notified of the appointment in writing.

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Existing CBN guidelines on appointment to the Board of Non-Financial Holding Companies in Nigeria shall continue to be applied. The Guiding Principles of the Group's Code of Corporate Governance are as follows:

- all power belongs to the shareholders;
- delegation of authority by the owners to the Board and subsequently to Board Committees and executives is clearly defined and agreed;
- institutionalised individual accountability and responsibility through empowerment and relevant authority;
- clear terms of reference and accountability for committees at Board and executive levels;
- effective communication and information sharing outside of meetings;
- actions are taken on a fully informed basis, in good faith with due diligence and care and in the best interest of the Group and shareholders;
- enhancing compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the interest of the stakeholders; where there is any conflict between the Group's rules, the local laws and legislation supersede;
- conformity with overall Group strategy and direction; and
- transparency and full disclosure of accurate, adequate and timely information regarding the personal interest of Directors in any area of potential conflict regarding Group business.

Role of the Board

- Investment and capital management, investor relations, Group financial and statutory reporting, articulation and approval of Group policies, setting overall Group strategic direction, monitoring and coordinating Group performance, succession planning for key positions on the Boards of the Group and operating companies.
- Reviewing alignment of goals, major plans of action, annual budgets and business plans with overall strategy; setting performance objectives; monitoring implementation and corporate performance and overseeing major capital expenditure in line with the approved budget.
- Ensuring the integrity of the Group's accounting and financial reporting systems (including the independence of Internal Audit, and that appropriate systems are in place for monitoring risk, financial control and compliance with the law).
- Selecting, compensating, monitoring and when necessary, replacing key executives and overseeing succession planning.
- Interfacing with the management of the Group to ensure harmony in implementing Group strategy.
- Performing all statutory roles as required by law.
- Through the establishment of Board Committees, making recommendations and taking decisions on behalf of the Board on issues of expenditure that may arise outside the normal meeting schedule of the Board.
- Ratifying duly approved recommendations and decisions of the Board Committees.
- Ensuring that the Company has an effective internal audit and risk management system in place.

Board of Directors

The Board of Directors met five times during the year as noted below:

Board of Directors Meetings in 2022.

NAMES	25 FEBRUARY	22 APRIL	22 JULY	21 OCTOBER	2 DECEMBER
Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mr. Ladi Balogun	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mr. Gbolahan Joshua	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mr. Olufemi Badeji	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Alhaji Mustapha Damcida	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dr. (Engr) Gregory Ero	✓	✓	✓	x	✓
Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ms. Muibat Ijaiya	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Corporate Governance

Board Induction and training

One of the focuses of the Group is to ensure capacity building at all levels. To this end, irrespective of the existing knowledge and experience of Board members, the Company ensures that training programmes are organised for Directors to improve their decision-making capacity and overall Board effectiveness. The Company Secretary is responsible for overseeing the induction of new Board members as well as overseeing the continuous training of Board members.

Induction for new Board members is essential in order to provide important information about the Company, Directors' roles and responsibilities and to help a new Director settle smoothly into the new role. This is to also ensure that Directors are adequately acquainted with the Board's purpose, responsibilities, practices, strategy and operations.

Furthermore, the induction programme is aimed at deepening Directors' understanding of the Company, and the environment and markets in which it operates.

The programme may include formal and informal discussions with executive management, provision of reading materials or workshops.

The Company Secretary oversees the provision of additional training to Directors on a continuous basis to enable them to gain a broader understanding and knowledge of the Company and the regulatory and competitive environment in which the Group operates.

The Company encourages and supports other informal training programmes for Directors, such as subscriptions to industry journals towards building relevant skills and interactive sessions at Board meetings whereby an external facilitator or a specialist from the Group facilitates sessions in specific areas of interest.

Notwithstanding the Company's responsibilities, each Director has a personal responsibility to ensure that he or she remains current and up to date regarding the strategies and businesses of the Company, as well as the industry and macroeconomic environment in which it operates.

During the year under review, the Directors attended the training programmes as shown below:

S/N	NAMES OF DIRECTORS	TRAINING TITLE	FACILITATOR	DATE(S)
1	Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
2	Mr. Ladi Balogun	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
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3	Mr. Olufemi Badeji	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		Corporate Governance, Transparency, Accountability & Business Ethics	FITC	August 31 – September 1, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
4	Mr. Gbolahan Joshua	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
5	Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Digital Enablers for Effective Board Performance and Oversight: Unlocking Opportunities, Managing Risks and Mitigating Measures.	FITC	November 23 – 24, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
6	Dr. (Engr) Gregory Ero	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022

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S/N	NAMES OF DIRECTORS	TRAINING TITLE	FACILITATOR	DATE(S)
7	Alhaji Mustapha Damcida	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
8	Mrs Olapeju Shofowora	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Digital Enablers for Effective Board Performance and Oversight: Unlocking Opportunities, Managing Risks and Mitigating Measures	FITC	November 23 – 24, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
9	Mrs ‘Tokuboh Ishmael	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		Cybersecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022
10	Ms Muibat Ijaiya	AML/CFT: Overview of Board Roles on AML Regulatory Environment and Others.	Dynamic 'D' EFIFA Partner.	April 14, 2022
		AML/CFT: The Digital Journey from the eyes of the Law Enforcement Agency: A Balanced approach	EFCC	October 14, 2022
		CyberSecurity Awareness Session	KPMG	December 5, 2022

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The Executive Directors were also enrolled for e-learning courses covering:

- FCMB QMS and BCM Course 2022;
- FCMB Sustainability in Banking 2022;
- FCMB Information Security Course 2022; and
- FCMB Code of Conduct 2022.

Re-Election of Directors by Rotation

Pursuant to Section 285 (1) and (3) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020, three of the Directors are due for retirement by rotation and have offered themselves for re-election by the Annual General Meeting.

The three Directors offering themselves for re-election are Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora, Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael and Ms. Muibat Ijaiya whose profiles are on pages 43 and 44 respectively.

Board Committees

The Board approved the constitution of the two Board Committees, listed below, with their respective responsibilities and roles clearly defined. Each of the Committees has a charter which guides the discharge of its duties.

Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee (BRAF)

Its functions include overseeing internal control, internal audit and financial reporting; providing oversight for strategy articulation and strategic planning, reviewing the Group's strategy and financial objectives, as well as monitoring the implementation of those strategies and objectives and reviewing and approving proposals for the allocation of capital and other resources within the Group.

Membership
The Committee comprised four Non-Executive Directors. The Group Chief Executive and the Chief Operating Officer are required to attend the meetings of the Committee.

Committee composition
Mrs Olapeju Sofowora (Chairperson), Dr. (Engr.) Gregory Ero, Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael and Ms. Muibat Ijaiya.

Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee Meetings held in 2022

NAMES	25 FEB.	19 APR.	19 JUL.	18 OCT.	29 NOV.
Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dr. (Engr) Gregory Ero	x	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael	✓	✓	✓	x	✓
Ms. Muibat Ijaiya	✓	x	✓	✓	✓

Board Governance and Remuneration Committee (BGRC)

Its functions include nominating new Directors to the Board, recommending the remuneration policy for the Group, overseeing Board performance and evaluation within the Group and succession planning for key positions on the Boards of the Group and subsidiaries.

Membership
The Committee comprises only Non-Executive Directors. The Group Chief Executive shall be in attendance as may be required.

Committee Composition
Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON (Chairman), Alhaji Mustapha Damcida, Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora and Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael.

Board Governance and Remuneration Committee Meetings held in 2022

NAMES	19 APR.	19 JUL.	18 OCT.	29 NOV.
Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON	✓	✓	✓	✓
Alhaji Mustapha Damcida	✓	✓	✓	x
Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael	✓	✓	x	✓

Statutory Audit Committee (SAC)

Section 404 (2) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020 requires a public company to establish an Audit Committee.

Subject to such other additional functions and powers that the Company's Articles may stipulate, the objectives and functions of the audit committee are to:

- ascertain whether the accounting and reporting policies of the Company are in accordance with legal requirements and agreed ethical practices;
- review the scope and planning of audit requirements;
- review the findings on management matters in conjunction with the external auditor and departmental responses therein;
- keep under review the effectiveness of the Company's system of accounting and internal control;
- make recommendations to the Board with regard to the appointment of, removal and remuneration of the external auditors of the Company;

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- authorise the internal auditor to carry out investigations into any activities of the Company which may be of interest or concern to the Committee; and examine the Auditors' Report and make recommendations thereon to the Annual General Meeting as it may deem fit.

Membership
According to Section 404 (3) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020

- The Audit Committee shall consist of five members comprising three members and two Non-Executive Directors. The members of the Audit Committee are not entitled to remuneration and are subject to election annually.
- All members of the audit committee shall be financially literate, and at least one member shall be a member of a professional accounting body in Nigeria established by an Act of the National Assembly.
- Any member may nominate another member of the Company to the audit committee by giving written notice of such nomination to the Company Secretary at least 21 days before the annual general meeting and any nomination not received prior to the meeting as stipulated is invalid.

In the 2022 financial year, the Audit Committee was chaired by Evangelist Akinola Soares.

Statutory Audit Committee Meetings held in 2022

NAMES	24 FEB.	20 APR.	21 JUL.	19 OCT.
Evangelist P. A. Soares	✓	✓	✓	✓
Alhaji S. B. Daranijo	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mr. Hakeem Batula	✓	✓	✓	✓
Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora	✓	✓	✓	✓

Management Committees

The Board is supported by the Executive Management Committee (EMC) and the Group Executive Committee (GEC).

Executive Management Committee (EMC)

The EMC, usually chaired by the Group Chief Executive, comprises all the Executive Directors and departmental heads. Representatives of the operating companies may be invited if required. The EMC deliberates and makes decisions, as necessary, to optimise the resources of the Company and ensure the effective and efficient management of the Company. The EMC also articulates issues to be discussed by the Board. Ad hoc meetings may be held from time to time.

The Group Chief Executive is responsible for the daily running and performance of the Company.

Group Executive Committee (GEC)

The GEC is usually chaired by the Group Chief Executive, while other members are the Chief Operating Officer, the Executive Director, and the Chief Executive Officers of the operating companies in the Group as well as the Group Chief Financial Officer. The Company Secretary, who is also a member, serves as Secretary to the Committee. The GEC, from time to time, invites to its meetings any other person as may be required.

Shareholder Participation

In recognition of the importance of the provision of adequate information to shareholders and the Board's commitment to maintain high standards of corporate disclosure, meetings of shareholders are convened and held regularly as required by statutory and regulatory regimes. The Annual General Meeting allows for the interaction between Board, Management and Shareholders.
The Group also has a dedicated Investors Relations Department that facilitates communication with shareholders, stakeholders and analysts on a regular basis to address their queries and concerns.

Investors and stakeholders are frequently provided with information about the Group through Quarterly Investors Conference Calls.

The Group's website is updated regularly to keep Shareholders abreast of information on the Company.

The Group leverages the significant experience, contributions and advice of shareholder members of the Audit Committee.

The Group continues to take necessary steps to promote shareholder rights.

All stakeholders are invited to report any concern about a threatened or suspected breach of any corporate governance requirement to the office of the Company Secretary.

Remuneration Policy

The Board, either by itself or through the Board Governance and Remuneration Committee, has the responsibility to review and approve the remuneration of Directors. While

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performing this responsibility, the Board is to ensure that Non-Executive Directors' remuneration is in line with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Code of Corporate Governance.

The Non-Executive members of the Board shall be entitled to a sitting allowance and Directors' fee as may be agreed by the Board from time to time and in line with the CBN Code of Corporate Governance. Additionally, they are entitled to be reimbursed for expenses incurred while carrying out their duties as Directors of the Company.

The Board's Non-Executive members, either directly or through the Board Governance and Remuneration Committee shall consider the remuneration payable to Executive Directors. The Executive members of the Board are not entitled to sitting allowances or Directors' fees paid to the Non-Executive Directors.

The level and make-up of Director remuneration should be sufficient to attract and retain the right calibre of members needed to run the Company successfully.

The Company does not grant share options as part of the remuneration to Directors. Where this is to be done, it shall be tied to performance with the limits set in any given financial year, and subject to the approval of the shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

Share trading Policy

The Company has a Share Trading Policy which provides a basic explanation of what constitutes insider trading and the Company's policy to prevent it, including:

- a description of what conduct may constitute insider trading;
- a description of the acceptable times for persons who fall within the definition of insiders to trade in the Company's securities to minimise the risk of insider trading; and
- the steps for insiders and their connected persons to take when trading the Company's securities.
- The detailed policy document is hosted on the Company's website.

Whistleblowing Procedures

The Board has a duty to conduct the Group's affairs in a responsible and transparent manner and to take into account legal and regulatory requirements under which the Group operates. The Board is also committed to the principle of sound Corporate Governance and behaviour as enunciated in the CBN Code of Corporate Governance for banks and other financial institutions in Nigeria. One of the several ways a breach of regulatory requirements and Management and staff misconduct can be addressed is through a Whistleblowing programme.

As such, the Whistleblowing Policy and Procedures of the Group are designed to encourage stakeholders to bring unethical conduct and illegal violations to the attention of an internal and/or supervising authority so that action can be taken to resolve the problem. All stakeholders are provided with the details of the Ethics Line facilities via the Group's website. The Ethics Line facilities include 0703-000-0026, 0703-000-0027, 0708-060-1222 and 0808-822-8888.

Statement of Compliance with SEC Code of Corporate Governance

In compliance with Section 34.7 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) Code of Corporate Governance for Public Companies in Nigeria (the Code) which governs the operations of FCMB Group Plc, the Board confirms compliance with the Code as disclosed in the Annual Report and Accounts.

Statement of Compliance with the Nigerian Code of Corporate Governance 2018 (NCCG Code)

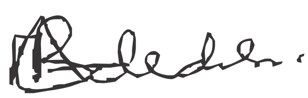
In compliance with Section 28.5 of the NCCG Code, the Board confirms compliance with the NCCG Code as disclosed in the Board Evaluation Report and the Annual Report and Accounts.

Disclosure to the Shareholders

Directors' Fees
The Directors' fees for the financial year ending 31 December 2023 shall be maintained at N200,000,000.00 only.

Years of Service of DCSL Corporate Services Limited.
DCSL Corporate Service Limited, the external consultant who performed the Board and Corporate governance evaluation for the company has served for eight years as at the end of the reporting period.

Years of Service of Deloitte & Touche
Deloitte & Touche, the external auditors has served for two years as at the end of the reporting period.



Mrs. Olufunmilayo Adedibu
Company Secretary
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Board of Directors, Officers & Professional Advisors

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Directors	1 Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi (Chairman) 2 Mr Ladi O. Balogun (Group Chief Executive) 3 Mr Gbolahan Joshua (Chief Operating Officer) 4 Mr Olufemi Badeji (Executive Director) 5 Alhaji Mustapha Damcida (Non-Executive Director) 6 Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON (Non Executive Director) 7 Dr (Engr) Gregory O. Ero (Non-Executive Director) 8 Mrs. Olapeju Eniola Sofowora (Independent Non Executive Director) 9 Mrs. Tokunboh Ishmael (Non Executive Director) 10 Ms. Muibat Ijaiya (Independent Non-Executive Director)
Company Secretary	Mrs. Olufunmilayo Adedibu
Registered office	FCMB Group Plc First City Plaza 44, Marina Lagos
Auditors	Deloitte & Touche Nigeria Civic Towers Ozumba Mbadiwe Avenue Victoria Island Lagos
Board Appraiser	DCSL Corporate Services Limited 235, Ikorodu Road Ilupeju Lagos

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The Directors present their annual report on the affairs of FCMB Group Plc ("the Company") and its subsidiaries ("the Group"), together with the financial statements and independent auditor's report for the year ended 31 December 2022.

a. Legal Form

FCMB Group Plc was incorporated in Nigeria as a financial holding company on 20 November, 2012, under the Companies and Allied Matters Act, Cap C.20, Laws of Federation of Nigeria 2004.

b. Principal Activity and Business Review

The Company is a non-operating financial holding company, regulated by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN). The principal activity of the Group continues to be the provision of comprehensive banking and financial services to its wholesale and retail customers. Such services include cash management, trade, loans and advances, corporate finance, investment banking, securities brokerage, money market activities and foreign exchange operations.

Through ownership of FCMB Group Plc, shareholders own 100% of the following subsidiaries; FCMB Capital Markets Limited, FCMB Trustees Limited (formerly CSL Trustees Limited), FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited, Credit Direct Limited, CSL Stockbrokers Limited (including its subsidiaries FCMB Asset Management Limited and CSL Capital (UK) Limited) and First City Monument Bank Limited (and its subsidiaries - FCMB (UK) Limited and FCMB Financing SPV Plc) and 91.28% of FCMB Pensions Limited.

The Group does not have any unconsolidated structured entity.

As at 31 December 2022, the Banking subsidiary had 205 branches, 11 cash centers; 809 ATM terminals; 28,735 POS terminals and 3,560,659 cards issued to its customers.

c. Operating Results

The gross earnings and profit after income tax recorded by the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 was N282.98billion and N31.13billion respectively. The Directors affirm that the Group is strategically poised for continued growth and development. Highlights of the Group's operating results for the year under review are as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of naira	2022	2021	2022	2021
Gross earnings	**282,981,556**	**212,012,446**	**8,965,995**	**6,461,307**
Profit before minimum tax and income tax	36,570,063	22,716,659	7,288,386	5,108,311
Minimum tax	(1,242,213)	(465,254)	(11,107)	(3,895)
Taxation charge	(4,199,159)	(1,334,680)	(13,091)	(15,718)
Profit after tax	**31,128,691**	**20,916,725**	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**
Appropriations:				
Transfer to statutory reserve	3,684,344	460,064	-	-
Transfer to retained earnings	27,444,347	20,456,661	7,264,188	5,088,698
	31,128,691	**20,916,725**	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**
Basic and diluted earnings per share (Naira)	1.56	1.05	0.37	0.26

Proposed dividend

The Board of Directors recommended a cash dividend of 25 kobo per issued and paid up ordinary share for the year ended 31 December 2022 (2021:20kobo). This is subject to approval at the Annual General Meeting. Payment of dividends is subject to withholding tax at a rate of 10% in the hand of recipients.

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d. Directors' shareholding

The direct and indirect interests of Directors in the issued share capital of the Company as recorded in the register of Directors shareholding and/or as notified by the Directors for the purposes of sections 301 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act Cap C20, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2020 and listing requirements of the Nigerian Stock Exchange are nil (2021 : nil)

e. Directors' interests in contracts

For the purpose of section 303 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA 2020), none of the Directors had any direct or indirect interest in contracts or proposed contracts with the Group during the year.

f. Property and Equipment

Information relating to changes in property and equipment is given in Note 31 to the financial statements. In the Directors' opinion, the market value of the Group's properties is not less than the carrying value in the financial statements.

g. Shareholding Analysis

The shareholding pattern of FCMB Group Plc as at 31 December 2022 is as stated below.

	Shareholding as at 31 December 2022		Shareholding as at 31 December 2021	
	Number of 50k Ordinary Shares Held		Number of 50k Ordinary Shares Held	
Directors' shareholding	Direct holdings	Indirect holdings	Direct holdings	Indirect holdings
Mr. Oladipupo Jadesimi (Chairman)	190,463,000	-	190,463,000	-
Mr. Ladi O Balogun (Group Chief Executive)	202,166,756	-	202,166,756	-
Mr Gbolahan Joshua (Chief Operating Officer)	5,372,621	-	-	-
Mr. Olufemi Badeji (Executive Director)	5,000,000	-	3,000,000	-
Alhaji Mustapha Damcida (Non-Executive Director)	-	-	-	-
Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON (Non Executive Director)	2,055,187	-	2,055,187	-
Dr (Engr) Gregory Omosigho Ero (Non-Executive Director)	-	-	-	-
Mrs. Olapeju Eniola Sofowora (Independent Non-Executive Director)	100,000	-	262,500	-
Mrs. Tokunboh Ishmael (Non Executive Director)	-	-	-	-
Ms. Muibat Ijaiya (Independent Non-Executive Director)	8,000	-	8,000	-

Share Range	No. Of Shareholders	% Of Shareholdings	No. Of Holdings	% Of Shareholdings
1-10,000	483,754	94.26	384,708,860	1.94
10,001-50,000	22,797	4.44	455,985,849	2.30
50,001-100,000	3,047	0.59	211,792,217	1.07
100,001-500,000	2,834	0.55	539,000,799	2.72
500,001-1,000,000	319	0.06	223,789,617	1.13
1,000,001-5,000,000	342	0.07	669,303,974	3.38
5,000,001-10,000,000	38	0.01	263,700,920	1.33
10,000,001-50,000,000	56	0.01	1,171,107,080	5.91
50,000,001-100,000,000	9	0.00	752,873,717	3.80
100,000,001-500,000,000	17	0.00	3,848,117,786	19.43
500,000,001-1,000,000,000	8	0.00	5,730,807,847	28.94
1,000,000,001-19,802,710,781	4	0.00	5,551,522,115	28.03
TOTAL	**513,225**	**100**	**19,802,710,781**	**100**

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Share Range	No. Of Shareholders	% Of Shareholdings	No. Of Holdings	% Of Shareholdings
1-10,000	484,546	94.16	386,103,002	1.95
10,001-50,000	22,952	4.46	456,314,994	2.30
50,001-100,000	3,273	0.64	224,875,210	1.14
100,001-500,000	2,971	0.58	570,298,179	2.88
500,001-1,000,000	358	0.07	255,601,818	1.29
1,000,001-5,000,000	365	0.07	718,063,540	3.63
5,000,001-10,000,000	45	0.01	324,464,857	1.64
10,000,001-50,000,000	64	0.01	1,288,357,792	6.51
50,000,001-100,000,000	10	0.00	789,806,696	3.99
100,000,001-500,000,000	22	0.00	4,619,182,612	23.33
500,000,001-1,000,000,000	7	0.00	4,983,630,919	25.17
1,000,000,001-19,802,710,781	4	0.00	5,186,011,162	26.17
TOTAL	**514,617**	**100**	**19,802,710,781**	**100**

The shareholding analysis into domestic and foreign shareholders of the Company is as stated below:

31 DECEMBER 2022

Share Holder Category	No. Of Shareholders	% Of Shareholdings	No. Of Holdings	% Of Shareholdings
Domestic shareholders	512,816	99.92	18,742,342,432	94.65
Foreign shareholders	409	0.08	1,060,368,349	5.35
Total	**513,225**	**100.00**	**19,802,710,781**	**100.00**

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Share Holder Category	No. Of Shareholders	% Of Shareholdings	No. Of Holdings	% Of Shareholdings
Domestic shareholders	514,199	99.92	17,015,724,301	85.93
Foreign shareholders	418	0.08	2,786,986,480	14.07
Total	**514,617**	**100.00**	**19,802,710,781**	**100.00**

h. Substantial interest in Shares

The Company's share capital is N9,901,355,390.50 divided into 19,802,710,781 ordinary shares of 50 kobo each. According to the register of members, no shareholder other than the under-mentioned held more than 5% of the share capital of the Company as at 31 December 2022:

		31 December 2022		31 December 2021	
	Shareholder	Number of shares	% Holding	Number of shares	% Holding
1.	CAPITAL IRG TRUSTEES LIMITED	-	-	1,845,919,854	9.32
2.	FCMB NOMINEES CAPITA IRG TRUSTEES LTD	2,041,172,788	10.31	23,188,952	0.12
3.	STANBIC NOMINEES NIG. LIMITED - CUSTODY	1,772,885,682	8.95	2,105,575,053	10.63
4.	PRIMROSE INVESTMENTS LIMITED	1,067,395,152	5.39	1,013,649,521	5.12
5.	BLUECHIP HOLDINGS LIMITED	1,000,050,000	5.05	793,448,348	4.01

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i. Donations and Charitable Gifts

The Group made contributions to charitable and non-political organisations amounting to N299,976,690 (31 December 2021: N1,481,506,421) during the year.

BENEFICIARY	AMOUNT (NAIRA)
Henry Seriake Dickson Foundation	50,000,000
Lagos State Security Trust Fund	30,000,000
Metropolitan Club	25,000,000
Sponsorship of 2022 Annual Ijebu Ode Ojude-Oba Festival	25,000,000
Agro-Hackathon Challenge 2022 Sponsorship	19,450,000
Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria (CIBN) - Sponsorship of 15th Annual Banking Finance Conference	15,000,000
Sponorship of the 9th Lagos State Economic Summit	15,000,000
Bankers' Committee - Financial Literacy and Public Enlightenment Awareness	13,863,750
Metropolitan Club Endowment Fund	10,000,000
Tulsi Chanrai Foundation (TCF) - Sponsorship of "Priceless Gift of Sight"	10,000,000
The 2022 Industrial IT Standards Compliance	8,600,000
Youth Empowerment Foundation	7,997,440
Central Bank of Nigeria - 2022 Financial Inclusion Conference Sponsorship	5,800,000
Central Bank of Nigeria - 57th Annual Bankers Sponsorship	5,000,000
The Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria - Investiture Sponsorship	5,000,000
Wiscar & Nnew Conference Sponsorship	5,000,000
Flip to Tech Empowering Young People- Training and Empowering the Young People	4,700,000
Central Bank of Nigeria - 2022 Bankers Committee Sponsorship	3,500,000
Bethesda Child Support Agency Support Programme	3,000,000
Edniesal Consulting Limited -Sponsorship of CIO Awards - 2022 Edition	3,000,000
Africa Economic Summit Group -Sponsorship of African Economic Summit 2022	2,687,500
Support for Lagos Island East Local Government - Purchase of Medical Equipment	2,508,000
OISA Foundation - Support of 10th Year Annivesary of OISA Foundation	2,500,000
Association Of Professional Women Banker(APWB) of CIBN - Symposium sponsorship	2,000,000
Ishk Tolaram Foundation Sponsorship	2,000,000
Meadow Hall School, Lekki, Lagos	2,000,000
Nigerian British Chamber Of Commerce(NBCC) Sponsorship	2,000,000
OAU - Great Ife Advancement Foundation	2,000,000
Ijebu United Football Club Sponsorship	1,500,000
Nigerian Association of Small-Scale Industrialists NASSI - Sponsorship towards NASSI MSME Fair 2022	1,500,000
The Chartered Institute of Bankers of Nigeria	1,500,000
Biscon Communication - sponsorsip of Coverage and Broadcast of 2022 Ojude- Oba Festival	1,000,000
Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) -Support for the 2nd National Risk Management Conference	1,000,000
FinTech Industry for Sustainability and Performance - Sponsorship of Strengthening I Institutional Frameworks	1,000,000
Indian Cultural Association - Diwali Mela 2022 Sponsorship	1,000,000
ISACA - Annual Conference Sponsorship	1,000,000
Justice Development And Peace Commision	1,000,000
Nigeria Medical Association - Sponsorship of Annual conference	1,000,000
Rotary Club International	1,000,000
The National Association of Proprietors of Private Schools - Sponsorship of 2022 National Spelling Bee Competition	1,000,000
Sponsorship of Sokoto State Government Merit Award	700,000

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BENEFICIARY	AMOUNT (NAIRA)
Blue Note Entertainment Sponsorship	600,000
Hallmarks of Labour Foundation - Anniversary & Great Awards Sponsorship	600,000
Grange School, Ikeja, Lagos State	500,000
Ministry of Defence - Armed Force Remembrance Day Celebration Emblem Launch 2023 Support	500,000
Ojodu Junior School- CSR	200,000
Army Children School - CSR	200,000
Army High School- 2022 Sports Meets Donation	150,000
St. Stephen School - CSR	150,000
Kaduna Government Sehool- CSR	100,000
Education District VI, Lagos - CSR	100,000
Rivers State Payroll Office	70,000
Total	**299,976,690**

j. Events after the Reporting Period

Subsequent to year end, the following are the updates to some events which the directors of the Group deem to be significant;

i) Subsequent to year end, FCMB Group Plc successfully completed the issuance of a N20,686,000,000 Perpetual 16% Fixed Rate Resettable NC5.25 Additional Tier I Subordinated Bonds under its N300,000,000,000 Debt Issuance Programme. The effective date of the issue is February 16th, 2023. The funds was subsequently down streamed to the Banking subsidiary.

k. Human Resources

Employment of Disabled Persons

The Group operates a non-discriminatory policy on recruitment. Applications by disabled persons are always fully considered, bearing in mind the respective aptitudes and abilities of the applicants concerned. In the event of members of staff becoming disabled, every effort is made to ensure that their employment with the Group continues and that appropriate training is arranged. It is the policy of the Group that the training, career development and promotion of disabled persons should, as far as possible, be identical to those of other employees. Currently, the Group has four persons on its staff list with physical disabilities (31 December 2021:4)

Health, Safety and Welfare at Work

The Group continues to prioritise staff health and welfare. The Group retains top-class private hospitals where medical facilities are provided for staff and their immediate families as non-payroll employee benefits. A contributory pension fund scheme, in line with the Pension Reform Act 2014 (as amended), exists for employees of the Group.

Diversity in Employment

The number and percentage of men and women employed during the financial year ended 31 December 2022 and the comparative year vis-a-vis total workforce is as follows:

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Number			%	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Employees	1,991	1,423	3,342	57%	43%

31 DECEMBER 2021

	Number			%	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Employees	1,991	1,371	3,362	59%	41%

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Gender analysis of Top Management is as follows:

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Number			%	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Assistant General Manager (AGM)	24	8	32	41%	14%
Deputy General Manager (DGM)	17	3	20	29%	5%
General Manager (GM)	2	5	7	3%	8%
TOTAL	**43**	**16**	**59**	**73%**	**27%**

31 DECEMBER 2021

	Number			%	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Assistant General Manager (AGM)	22	8	30	37%	12%
Deputy General Manager (DGM)	16	3	19	27%	7%
General Manager (GM)	5	5	10	8%	5%
TOTAL	**43**	**16**	**59**	**72%**	**24%**

Gender analysis of the Board is as follows:

31 DECEMBER 2022

	Number			%	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Executive Director (ED)	6	1	7	13%	2%
Group Managing Director (GMD)	7	1	8	15%	2%
Non - Executive Directors	18	13	31	39%	28%
TOTAL	**31**	**15**	**46**	**67%**	**33%**

31 DECEMBER 2021

	Number			%	
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Executive Director (ED)	6	2	8	10%	3%
Group Chief Executive/CEO (GCE/CEO)	7	1	8	12%	2%
Non - Executive Directors	27	17	44	45%	28%
TOTAL	**40**	**20**	**60**	**67%**	**33%**

l. Employee Involvement and Training

The Group places considerable value on the involvement of its employees and has continued its practice of keeping them informed on matters affecting them as employees and the various factors affecting the performance of the Group. This is achieved through regular meetings between management and staff of the Group.

The Group has in-house training facilities complemented with additional facilities from educational institutions (local and offshore) for the training of its employees.

m. Customer Complaints

FCMB Group Plc is committed to ensuring an effective and responsive complaints management process hence the banking subsidiary has put in place a complaints management policy to ensure that the causes of complaints are fully addressed and to assure stakeholders and members of the public that their concerns will be handled in a fair and appropriate manner. Customers' complaints are lodged with the Complaints Officer at complaints@fcmb.com for necessary action. The Banking subsidiary had pending complaints of 14,008 at the beginning of the year and received

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additional 627,799 (31 December 2021: 296,570) during the year ended 31 December 2022, of which 634,799 (31 December 2021: 284,408) complaints were resolved (inclusive of pending complaints brought forward) and 6,893 (31 December 2021: 14,029) complaints remained unresolved and pending with the Banking subsidiary as at the end of the year. The total amount resolved was N86.65million (31 December 2021: N365.13million) while the total disputed amount in cases which remained unresolved stood at N36.73million (31 December 2021: N21.70million). These unresolved complaints were referred to the Central Bank of Nigeria for intervention. The Directors are of the opinion that these complaints will be resolved without adverse consequences for the Banking subsidiary. No provisions are therefore deemed necessary for these claims.

o. Directors' Remuneration

The Group ensures that remuneration paid to its Directors complies with the provisions of the guidance issued by its regulators.

In compliance with the Nigerian Code of corporate governance, the Group makes disclosure of the remuneration paid to its directors as follows.

	NUMBER		AMOUNT CLAIMED (N'000)		AMOUNT REFUNDED (N'000)	
DESCRIPTION	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**
Pending complaints brought forward	**14,008**	1,867	**754,106**	308	**-**	-
Received complaints	**627,799**	296,570	**152,814**	1,140,627	**-**	-
Total complaints	**641,807**	298,437	**906,920**	1,140,935	**-**	-
Resolved complaints	**634,799**	284,408	**86,647**	365,130	**86,647**	25,583
Unresolved complaints escalated to CBN for intervention	**115**	21	**36,727**	21,699	**-**	-
Unresolved complaints pending with the bank Carry forward	**6,893**	14,008	**783,546**	754,106	**-**	-

Directors' Remuneration

Type of packaged fixed	Description	Timing
Basic Salary	Part of gross salary package for Executive Directors only. Reflects the banking industry competitive salary package and the extent to which the Group's objectives have been met for the financial year.	Paid monthly during the financial period.
Other Allowances	Part of gross salary package for Executive Directors only. Reflects the banking industry competitive salary package and the extent to which the Group's objectives have been met for the financial year.	Paid at periodic intervals during the financial year.
Productivity bonus	Paid to executive directors only and tied to performance of the line report. It is also a function of the extent to which the Group's objectives have been met for the financial year.	Paid annually in arrears.
Director fees	Paid quarterly at the beginning of a new quarter to Non-Executive Directors only.	Paid quarterly at the beginning of a new quarter.
Sitting allowance	Allowances paid to Non-Executive Directors only, for attending Board and Board Committee Meetings.	Paid after each Meeting.

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p. Auditors

Messers Deloitte & Touche Nigeria, having satisfied the relevant corporate governance rules on their tenure in office have indicated their willingness to continue in office as auditors to the Company. In accordance with section 357 (2) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria therefore, the auditor will be re-appointed at the next annual general meeting of the company without any resolution being passed.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Mrs. Olufunmilayo Adedibu
Company Secretary
44 Marina
Lagos State
Nigeria
FRC/2014/NBA/00000005887
24 February 2023.

Statement of Directors' Responsibilities for the Preparation & Approval of the Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Directors of FCMB Group Plc accept responsibility for the preparation of the consolidated and separate financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Group as at 31 December 2022, and the results of its operations, cash flows and changes in equity for the year then ended, in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") and in the manner required by the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria, Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act and the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act, 2011.

In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are responsible for:

- properly selecting and applying accounting policies;
- presenting information, including accounting policies, in a manner that provides relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable information;
- providing additional disclosures when compliance with the specific requirements in IFRSs are insufficient to enable users to understand the impact of particular transactions, other events and conditions on the Group's financial position and financial performance.

Going Concern

The Directors have made an assessment of the Group's ability to continue as a going concern and have no reason to believe the Group will not remain a going concern in the year ahead.

The financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2022 were approved by the directors on 24 February 2023.

Certification of financial statements

In accordance with section 405 of the Companies and Allied Act the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer certify that the financial statements have been reviewed and based on our knowledge the:

(i) audited financial statements do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact, which would make the statements misleading, in the light of the circumstances under which such statement was made, and

(ii) audited financial statements and all other financial information included in the statements fairly present, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operation of the company as of and for, the periods covered by the audited financial statements;

(b) We state that management and directors:

(i) are responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls and has designed such internal controls to ensure that material information relating to the company and its subsidiaries is made known to the officer by other officers of the group, particularly during the period in which the audited financial statement report is being prepared,

(ii) has evaluated the effectiveness of the group's internal controls within 90 days prior to the date of its audited financial statements, and

(iii) certifies that the group's internal controls are effective as of that date;

(c) We have disclosed

(i) all significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls which could adversely affect the company's ability to record, process, summarise and report financial data, and has identified for the company's auditors any material weaknesses in internal controls, and

(ii) whether or not, there is any fraud that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the group's internal control; and

(d) as indicated in the report, whether or not, there were significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of their evaluation, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

SIGNED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS BY:

Oladipupo Jadesimi
Chairman
FRC/2015/IODN/00000006637
24 February 2023.

Ladi Balogun
Group Chief Executive
FRC/2013/IODN/00000001460
24 February 2023.

Statutory Audit Committee Report
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

In compliance with section 404 (7) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020, the Central Bank of Nigeria Code of Corporate Governance and the Securities and Exchange Commission Code of Corporate Governance for Public Companies in Nigeria, we have reviewed the Audit Report for the year ended 31 December, 2022 and hereby state as follows:

1 The scope and planning of the audit were adequate in our opinion;

2. The account and reporting policies of the Group conformed with the statutory requirements and agreed ethical practices;

3 The internal control system was constantly and effectively monitored;

4. The whistle blowing channel run by an external and independent third party was found adequate;

5. The external auditor's management controls report received satisfactory response from Management; and

6. The gross value of related party loans as at 31 December 2022 was N759.67million (31 December 2021:N1.15billion) and also these related party loans are performing.

Evangelist Akinola Soares
Chairman, Statutory Audit Committee
FRC/2013/ANAN/00000004356

24 February 2023.

The Audit Committee comprises the following Non-Executive Directors and Shareholders' representatives:

Evangelist Akinola Soares
Chairman/Shareholders' representative

Alhaji S B Daranijo
Shareholders' representative

Mr. Hakeem Batula
Shareholders' representative

Mrs. Olapeju Eniola Sofowora
Non-Executive Director

Professor Oluwatoyin Ashiru OON
Non-Executive Director

The Group's Head, Internal Audit, Babajide Odedele (FRC/2014/ICAN/00000006880) acts as secretary to the Committee.

Management Report on the Certification of Financial Statements

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

In compliance with section 405 of Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) 2020, we have reviewed the audited financial statements of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2022 and based on our knowledge confirm as follows:

1. The audited financial statements do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact, which would make the statements misleading;

2. The audited financial statements and all other financial information included in the statements fairly present, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operation of the Group as of and for the year ended 31 December 2022;

3. The Group's internal controls have been designed to ensure that all material information relating to the Company and its subsidiaries is received and provided to the Auditors in the course of the audit;

4. The Group's internal controls were evaluated within 90 days of the financial reporting date and are effective as of 31 December 2022;

5. That we have disclosed to the Group's Auditors and the Audit committee the following information:
   (a) there are no significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the Group's internal controls which could adversely affect the Group's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data, and have discussed with auditors any weaknesses in internal controls observed in the cause of the Audit.
   (b) there is no fraud involving management or other employees which could have any significant role in the Group's internal control.

6. There are no significant changes in internal controls or in other factors that could significantly affect internal controls subsequent to the date of this audit, including any corrective actions with regard to any observed deficiencies and material weaknesses.

Signed:

Ladi Balogun
Group Chief Executive
FRC/2013/IODN/00000001460
24 February 2023.

Deji Fayose
Chief Financial Officer
FRC/2021/001/00000025061
24 February 2023.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF FCMB GROUP PLC

Report on the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the consolidated and separate financial statements of **FCMB Group Plc** and its subsidiaries (the Group and Company) set out on pages 26 to 135, which comprise the consolidated and separate statements of financial position as at 31 December 2022, and the consolidated and separate statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the consolidated and separate statements of changes in equity and the consolidated and separate statements of cash flows for the year then ended, and the notes to the consolidated and separate financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the consolidated and separate financial statements give a true and fair view of the consolidated and separate financial position of **FCMB Group Plc** as at 31 December 2022, and its consolidated and separate financial performance and consolidated and separate statement of cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs), the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) 2020, Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act Cap B3 LFN 2020, Pension Reform Act, and Financial Reporting Council Act, 2011.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated and separate Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group and Company in accordance with the requirements of the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' (IESBA) International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) (IESBA code) and other independence requirements applicable to performing audits of financial statements in Nigeria. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the IESBA Code and other ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of consolidated Financial Statements in Nigeria.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the consolidated and separate financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
Impairment of loans and advances to customers - Group	
Loans and advances make up a significant portion of the total assets of the bank. At 31 December 2022, gross loans and advances was N1,246.7 billion against which total loan impairment of N51.1 billion was recorded, thus leaving a net loan balance of N1,195.6 billion which represents 40% of the total assets as at the reporting date. The basis of the impairments is summarised in the accounting policies to the consolidated and separate financial statements. In accordance with the provisions of *IFRS 9 Financial Instruments*, the Directors have established the group's loan loss impairment methodology using the expected credit loss model. The Directors exercise significant judgement when determining both when and how much to record as loan impairment. This is due to the fact that a number of significant assumptions and inputs go into the determination of the impairment on loans and advances to customers. Some of these include: i. Estimate of probability of default ii. Estimate of loss given default iii. Segmentation iv. Exposure at default v. Credit classification vi. Estimates of projected cash flows vii. Determination of effective interest rates viii. Forward looking variables Because of the significance of these estimates, judgements and the size of loans and advances portfolio, the audit of loan impairment is considered a key audit matter.	We focused our testing of the impairment on loans and advances to customers on the key assumptions and inputs made by management and Directors. Specifically, our audit procedures included the following: a. We tested the design and operating effectiveness of the key controls around identification and determination of the impairment on each loan. These control processes included reviewing: • System-based and manual controls over the timely recognition of impaired loans and advances; • Controls over the impairment calculation with the model including data inputs. b. We adopted a risk based approach to test sample of loans and advances (including loans that had not been identified by management as potentially impaired) to form our own assessment as to whether impairment events had occurred and to assess whether there are significant increase in credit of the loans or objective evidence of default using set criteria. We challenged management's judgement and we increased the focus on loans and advances that were not reported as being impaired in sectors that are currently experiencing difficult economic and market conditions. c. As the group currently use a system-based impairment model, our Risk Advisory specialists were engaged to test some of the relevant IT controls, Interfaces between the core banking application and the ancillary application and relevant automated controls. d. We involved our credit risk specialists who assessed whether the modelling assumptions (probability of Default (PD), Loss given default (LGD), Exposure at default (EAD),

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Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
	Segmentation, cure rate etc.) used by management were reasonable in light of the requirements of the applicable financial reporting standards, historical experience, economic climate, current operational processes as well as our own knowledge of practices used by other similar entities. We reviewed the reasonableness of the forward-looking assumptions applied into the impairment calculations. Challenged the multiple economic scenarios and probability weights applied in the model. We determined where a more appropriate assumption or input in impairment measurement could be made, we then recalculated the impairment on that basis and compared the results in order to assess whether there was any indication of error or management bias. e. Disclosures in the consolidated and separate financial statements were reviewed for reasonableness and compliance with the requirements of the International Financial Reporting Standards Based on our review, we concluded that the amount of loan impairment losses was comparable with historical performance, and prevailing economic situations and that the estimated loan impairment losses determined was appropriate in the circumstances.
Valuation of goodwill – Company & Group	
Goodwill carrying value was N19.2 billion in the consolidated and separate statement of financial position as at 31 December 2022. In line with the requirements of the applicable accounting standard, IAS 36, *Impairment of Assets,* management conducts annual impairment tests to assess the recoverability of the carrying value of goodwill. This is performed using discounted cash flow models. As disclosed in note 31, there are several key sensitive judgements adopted by management in determining the inputs into these models which include:	We focused our testing of the impairment of goodwill on the key assumptions made by management. Our audit procedures included: • Review of all relevant controls over the generation of the key inputs, e.g. financial forecasts, discount rate, revenue growth rate, etc. that go into the valuation calculation. • Engaging our internal specialists to assist with: – Critically evaluating whether the model used by management to calculate the value in use of the individual Cash Generating Units (CGUs)

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Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the key audit matter
• Revenue growth • Operating margins • The discount rates applied to the projected future cash flows. Accordingly, the impairment test of this asset is considered to be a key audit matter. Management have developed a valuation model to enable a fair determination of the discounted cash flows for the significant Cash Generating Units (CGUs) to which the goodwill relates.	complies with the requirements of IAS 36, *Impairment of Assets*. – Validating the assumptions used to calculate the discount rates, projected cash flows and recalculating these rates. • Analysing the future projected cash flows used in the models to determine whether they are reasonable and supportable given the current macroeconomic climate and expected future performance of the Cash Generating Unit. • Subjecting the key assumptions to sensitivity analysis. • Comparing the projected cash flows, including the assumptions relating to revenue growth rates and operating margins, against historical performance to test the accuracy of management's projections. • Checking mathematical accuracy of the calculations We found that the assumptions used by directors were comparable with historical performance and the expected future outlook. The discount rates used were appropriate and reasonable in the circumstances.
Purchase Price Allocation and determination of intangible assets arising on business acquisition – AIICO Pension Managers Limited - Group	
On 28 February 2022, the Group concluded its acquisition of 96.29% interest in AIICO Pension Managers Limited through its subsidiary FCMB Pension Managers Limited, for a purchase consideration of N10.6 billion. The identification, measurement and valuation of the assets and liabilities acquired, in line with the requirements of IFRS 3, requires significant amount of judgement, assumptions, estimates and other macro-economic considerations which makes the accounting of the transaction complex. The Purchase Price Allocation (PPA) in respect of the acquisition was conducted by the Directors and the following intangible assets from the acquisition were identified in line with the requirements of the IFRS 3: ✓ Customer relationships; & ✓ Computer software and databases	We obtained and assessed the reasonableness of the Directors' determination of the fair value of the assets acquired. Together with the assistance of our independent internal financial advisory specialists, we performed the following audit procedures: a. Evaluated the assumptions, judgement and methodologies applied by the Directors in the fair valuation of the identified intangible assets for reasonableness. b. Assessed the basis for the identification of the intangible assets – Customer relationships, and computer software and databases from the acquisition of AIICO Pension Managers Limited. c. Obtained and reviewed the report issued by the consultant appointed by Directors. This was challenged by our independent

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An external consultant was employed by the Directors to carry out the valuation of the identified intangible assets. The following valuation methods were adopted: o Multi period excess earnings; & o Cost method Based on the level of judgement, assumptions and estimates involved in the assessment of the transaction and as this is a single material transaction that occurred during the year, we have determined that this is considered key audit matter in the consolidated and separate financial statements.	experts including the assumptions and judgement applied in the fair valuation of the intangible assets. d. Confirmed and agreed the figures in the report to the financial statements. We evaluated the assumptions used by management as prescribed by relevant accounting standards and market best practices. We considered the disclosures in the consolidated and separate financial statements to the requirements of the accounting standards.

Other Information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the document titled "FCMB Group Plc Annual Report and Financial Statements", which includes the Report of the External Consultants on the Performance of the Board of Directors, the Directors' Report, Corporate Governance Report, Statement of Directors' Responsibilities, the Board Audit and Risk Management Committee's Report, the Statement of Corporate Responsibility for Financial Statements, and Other National Disclosures as required by the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020, and the Financial Reporting Council Act, No 6, 2011, which we obtained prior to the date of this report. The other information does not include the consolidated and separate financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

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

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

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated and separate financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act Cap B3 LFN 2020, Pension Reform Act, the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated and separate financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the consolidated and separate financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Group's and the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated and separate 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 ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these consolidated and separate financial statements

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated and separate 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 and the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' 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 and Company' 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 and separate financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Group and / or the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the consolidated and separate financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the consolidated and separate financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- 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.

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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 and separate financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditors' 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.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with the Fifth schedule of the Companies and Allied Matters Act, 2020 we expressly state that:

i) We have obtained all the information and explanation which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit.

ii) The Group and Company has kept proper books of account, so far as appears from our examination of those books.

iii) The Group and Company's financial position and its statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income are in agreement with the books of account and returns.

iv) The Group and Company has complied with the requirements of the relevant circulars issued by Central Bank of Nigeria.

v) In accordance with circular BSD/1/2004 issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria, details of insider related credits are as disclosed in Note 46F.

vi) During the year, the Group contravened certain sections of the Banks and Other Financial Institutions (BOFIA) Act, 2020 and Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) circular/guidelines. Details of the contravention and the related penalties are as disclosed in note 49 to the financial statements.

For: Deloitte & Touche
Chartered Accountants
Lagos, Nigeria
31 March 2023
Engagement Partner:

Joshua Ojo
FRC/2013/ICAN/00000000849

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Consolidated and Separate Statements of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	Note	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Gross earnings		**282,981,556**	**212,012,446**	**8,965,995**	**6,461,307**
Interest income	8	219,551,592	162,041,604	566,314	433,307
Interest expense	9	(97,554,170)	(71,127,766)	(6,858)	-
Net interest income		**121,997,422**	**90,913,838**	**559,456**	**433,307**
Fee and commission income	11a	44,038,977	35,593,197	1,054,476	738,858
Fee and commission expense	11b	(10,024,556)	(6,840,210)	(1,347)	(490)
Net fee and commission income		**34,014,421**	**28,752,987**	**1,053,129**	**738,368**
Net trading income	12	12,865,574	9,367,136	-	-
Net income from financial instruments mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss	13	-	-	-	-
Other revenue	14(a)	5,308,030	3,407,873	7,135,390	5,190,745
		18,173,604	12,775,009	7,135,390	5,190,745
Other income	14(b)	1,217,383	1,602,636	209,815	98,397
Net impairment losses on financial instruments	10	(24,966,308)	(15,238,207)	(27,669)	(17,387)
Personnel expenses	15	(35,614,915)	(31,262,749)	(633,085)	(374,671)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	16	(9,671,931)	(8,027,692)	(19,909)	(19,419)
General and administrative expenses	17	(44,757,223)	(35,657,327)	(881,182)	(837,067)
Other operating expenses	18	(23,822,390)	(21,237,214)	(107,559)	(103,962)
Results from operating activities		**36,570,063**	**22,621,281**	**7,288,386**	**5,108,311**
Share of post tax result of associate		-	95,378	-	-
Profit before minimum tax and income tax		36,570,063	22,716,659	7,288,386	5,108,311
Minimum tax	20	(1,242,213)	(465,254)	(11,107)	(3,895)
Income tax expense	20	(4,199,159)	(1,334,680)	(13,091)	(15,718)
Profit for the year		**31,128,691**	**20,916,725**	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**
Other comprehensive income					
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:					
Unquoted equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income:					
- Net change in fair value	24(j)	11,207,646	4,350,231	-	-
Foreign currency translation differences	24(j)	1,153,171	1,399,951	-	-
		12,360,817	**5,750,182**	**-**	**-**

Consolidated and Separate Statements of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income (cont'd)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	Note	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss:					
Debt investments at fair value through other comprehensive income:					
- Net change in fair value	24(j)	(10,303,613)	(8,281,658)	-	(2,817)
- Net impairment reclassified from profit or loss	24(c)	1,088,847	130,583	-	-
		(9,214,766)	**(8,151,075**	**-**	**(2,817)**
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations		1,586,104	1,151,885	-	-
		(7,628,662)	(6,999,190)	-	(2,817)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		**4,732,155**	**(1,249,008)**	**-**	**(2,817)**
Total Comprehensive Income for the Year		**35,860,846**	**19,667,717**	**7,264,188**	**5,085,881**
Profit attributable to:					
Equity holders of the Company		30,900,747	20,708,579	7,264,188	5,088,698
Non-controlling interests		227,944	208,146	-	-
		31,128,691	**20,916,725**	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Equity holders of the Company		35,637,075	19,454,417	7,264,188	5,085,881
Non-controlling interests		223,771	213,300	-	-
		35,875,534	**19,667,717**	**7,264,188**	**5,085,881**
Basic and diluted earnings per share (Naira)	19	1.56	1.05	0.37	0.26

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Consolidated and Separate Statements of Financial Position

AS AT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	Note	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	21	247,485,623	362,700,083	30,607	621,755
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	160,730,775	41,538,274	-	-
Derivative assets held for risk management	23(a)	853,709	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	524,573,025	372,548,333	8,023,508	6,007,162
Assets pledged as collateral	25	79,009,207	115,456,683	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	26	1,195,626,586	1,063,589,192	-	-
Other assets	27	192,385,077	127,410,850	6,353,476	7,849,591
Restricted reserve deposits	28	493,359,709	329,739,147	-	-
Investment in subsidiaries	29	-	-	132,228,197	127,378,197
Investment in associates	30	-	6,810,651	-	-
Property and equipment, and right of use assets	31	50,967,522	47,084,551	30,165	42,815
Intangible assets	32	29,637,593	17,155,970	12,094	-
Deferred tax assets	33	8,423,731	9,163,896	-	-
Total assets		**2,983,052,557**	**2,493,197,630**	**146,678,047**	**141,899,520**
LIABILITIES					
Trading liabilities	22(b)	1,883,937	5,174,902	-	-
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	23(b)	1,699,900	-	-	-
Deposits from banks	34	124,365,459	160,746,916	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	1,944,908,569	1,554,413,623	-	-
Retirement benefit obligations	36	23,384	14,855	-	-
Current income tax liabilities	20(ii)	7,180,286	5,449,065	72,584	50,926
Deferred tax liabilities	33	391,897	308,729	-	-
Other liabilities	37	196,902,171	199,465,224	8,102,130	7,505,765
Provision	38	7,514,884	6,747,270	-	-
On-lending facilities	39	249,191,651	157,873,774	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	84,745,841	78,493,492	-	-
Borrowings	41	88,364,968	80,704,066	856,858	-
Total liabilities		**2,707,172,947**	**2,249,391,916**	**9,031,572**	**7,556,691**
EQUITY					
Share capital	42(a)	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355
Share premium	43	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414
Retained earnings	43	74,561,490	62,872,102	12,352,706	9,049,060
Other reserves	43	75,045,929	55,058,784	-	-
Total Equity attributable to owners of the Company		274,901,188	243,224,655	137,646,475	134,342,829
Non-controlling Interests		978,422	581,059	-	-
		275,879,610	**243,805,714**	**137,646,475**	**134,342,829**
Total liabilities and equity		**2,983,052,557**	**2,493,197,630**	**146,678,047**	**141,899,520**

The financial statements and the accompanying notes and significant accounting policies were approved by the Board of Directors on 24 February 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Oladipupo Jadesimi
Chairman
FRC/2015/IODN/00000006637

Ladi Balogun
Group Chief Executive
FRC/2013/IODN/00000001460

Deji Fayose
Chief Financial Officer
FRC/2021/001/00000025061

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Consolidated and Separate Statements of Change in Equity

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Retained earnings	Statutory reserve	AGSMEIS reserve	Forbearance reserve	Translation reserve	Fair value reserve	Regulatory risk reserve	Non-controlling Interest	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2022	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**62,872,102**	**15,544,938**	**3,521,475**	**1,960,712**	**10,950,928**	**18,490,731**	**4,590,000**	**581,059**	**243,805,714**
Profit for the year	-	-	30,900,747	-	-	-	-	-	-	227,944	31,128,691
Other comprehensive income											
Equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,360,817	-		12,360,817
Debt investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-		(9,214,766)	-		(9,214,766)
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,590,278	-	-	(4,174)	1,586,104
Total comprehensive income for the year	**-**	**-**	**30,900,747**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,590,278**	**3,146,051**	**-**	**223,771**	**35,860,846**
Transfer between reserves											
Transfer to statutory reserve	-	-	(3,684,344)	3,684,344	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to AGSMEIS reserve	-	-	(1,176,472)	-	1,176,472	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer from regulatory risk reserve	-	-	(10,390,000)	-	-	-	-	-	10,390,000	-	-
Transfer to forebearence reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity										-	-
Dividend paid	-	-	(3,960,542)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(3,960,542)
Transactions with minority shareholders recorded directly in equity											
- Dividend paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(34,880)	(34,880)
- NCI share of on Acquisition of AIICO pensions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	208,472	208,472
Total Contributions by and distributions	**-**	**-**	**(19,211,358)**	**3,684,344**	**1,176,472**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**10,390,000**	**173,592**	**(3,786,950)**
Balance at 31 December 2022	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**74,561,490**	**19,229,282**	**4,697,947**	**1,960,712**	**12,541,206**	**21,636,782**	**14,980,000**	**978,422**	**275,879,610**

Consolidated and Separate Statements of Change in Equity (cont'd)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Retained earnings	Statutory reserve	AGSMEIS reserve	Forbearance reserve	Translation reserve	Fair value reserve	Regulatory risk reserve	Non-controlling Interest	Total equity
Balance as at 1 January 2021	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**47,482,438**	**15,084,874**	**2,089,362**	**1,960,712**	**9,804,197**	**20,891,624**	**4,133,669**	**379,555**	**227,120,200**
Profit for the year	-	-	20,708,579	-	-	-	-	-	-	208,146	20,916,725
Other comprehensive income											
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,750,182	-		5,750,182
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(8,151,075)	-		(8,151,075)
Foreign currency translation differences for foreign operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,146,731	-	-	5,154	1,151,885
Total comprehensive income for the year	**-**	**-**	**20,708,579**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,146,731**	**(2,400,893)**	**-**	**213,300**	**19,667,717**
Transfer between reserves											
Transfer to statutory reserve	-	-	(460,064)	460,064	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to AGSMEIS reserve	-	-	(1,432,113)	-	1,432,113	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to regulatory isk reserve	-	-	(456,331)	-	-	-	-	-	456,331	-	-
Transfer to forebearence reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity											
Dividend paid	-	-	(2,970,407)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,970,407)
Transactions with minority shareholders recorded directly in equity											
- Dividend paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(14,400)	(14,400)
- Adjustment of interest in NCI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,604	2,604
	-	**-**	**(5,318,915)**	**460,064**	**1,432,113**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**456,331**	**(11,796)**	**(2,982,203)**
Balance at 31 December 2021	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**62,872,102**	**15,544,938**	**3,521,475**	**1,960,712**	**10,950,928**	**18,490,731**	**4,590,000**	**581,059**	**243,805,714**

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Consolidated and Separate Statements of Change in Equity (cont'd)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

COMPANY

In thousands of Naira	Share capital	Share premium	Retained earnings	Statutory reserve	AGSMEIS reserve	Forbearance reserve	Translation reserve	Fair value reserve	Regulatory risk reserve	Non-controlling Interest	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2022	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**9,049,060**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**134,342,829**
Profit for the year	-	-	7,264,188	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,264,188
Other comprehensive income											
Equity investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	**-**	**-**	**7,264,188**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**7,264,188**
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity											
Dividend paid	-	-	(3,960,542)	-	-	-	-	-	-		(3,960,542)
Total Contributions by and distributions	**-**	**-**	**(3,960,542)**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(3,960,542)**
Balance at 31 December 2022	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**12,352,706**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**137,646,475**
Balance as at 1 January 2021	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**6,930,769**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,817**	**-**	**-**	**132,227,355**
Profit for the year	**-**	**-**	**5,088,698**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**5,088,698**
Other comprehensive income											
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(2,817)	-	-	(2,817)
Total comprehensive income for the year	**-**	**-**	**5,088,698**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(2,817)**	**-**	**-**	**5,085,881**
Transactions with owners recorded directly in equity											
Dividend paid	-	-	(2,970,407)	-	-	-	-	-	-		(2,970,407)
	-	**-**	**(2,970,407)**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(2,970,407)**
Balance at 31 December 2021	**9,901,355**	**115,392,414**	**9,049,060**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**134,342,829**

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Consolidated and Separate Statements of Cashflows

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	Note	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021
Cash flows from operating activities					
Profit for the year		**31,128,691**	**20,916,725**	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**
Adjustments for:					
Net impairment loss on financial assets	10	24,966,308	15,238,207	27,669	17,387
Fair value gain on financial assets held for trading		(893,766)	(3,490,652)	-	-
Amortisation of intangibles	16	2,005,606	1,564,874	-	-
Depreciation of property and equipment	16	7,666,325	6,462,818	19,909	19,419
Gain on disposal of property and equipment	14(b)	10,620	(514,557)	632	266
Modification loss on restructured facilities	14(a)(iv)	(32,917)	3,560,472	-	-
Unrealised foreign exchange gains	14(a)(iii)	(4,297,573)	(6,138,177)	(390,196)	(287,631)
Share of profit of associates	30(a)	-	(95,378)	-	-
Other operating expenses - provisions for litigation no longer required	18(a)	915,000	864,413	-	-
Net interest income		(121,997,422)	(90,913,838)	(559,456)	(433,307)
Dividend income		(977,540)	(830,168)	(6,745,194)	(4,903,114)
Tax expense	20	5,441,372	1,799,934	24,198	19,613
		(56,065,296)	**(51,575,327)**	**(358,250)**	**(478,669)**
Changes in operating assets and liabilities					
Net increase in restricted reserve deposits		(163,620,562)	(17,992,992)	-	-
Net (increase)/decrease in derivative assets held for risk management		(853,709)	1,884,398	-	-
Net increase in trading assets		(120,086,267)	(32,236,485)	-	-
Net decrease in loans and advances to customers		(136,807,098)	(244,207,621)	-	-
Net (increase)/decrease in other assets		(56,400,636)	(96,508,658)	380,700	(5,751,880)
Net decrease in trading liabilities		(3,290,965)	(3,187,049)	-	-
Net (decrease)/increase in deposits from banks		(36,381,457)	41,381,758	-	-
Net increase in deposits from customers		390,494,946	297,282,716	-	-
Net increase in on-lending facilities		91,317,877	97,506,934	-	-
Net increase in assets pledged as collateral		26,143,863	65,478,165	-	-
Net increase/(decrease) in derivative liabilities held for risk management		1,699,900	(1,871,869)	-	-
Net increase in provision		(1,044,099)	(1,228,198)	-	-
Net increase in other liabilities		9,693,788	88,487,510	453,743	(656,485)
		(55,199,715)	**143,213,282**	**476,193**	**(6,887,034)**
Interest received		216,005,064	162,471,283	566,314	433,307
Interest paid		(104,320,759)	(73,812,274)	-	-
Dividends received	51(xxii)	977,540	830,168	5,026,119	2,374,047
VAT paid		(1,643,872)	(1,260,353)	(90,813)	(50,406)
Income taxes paid		(2,957,020)	(1,847,156)	(2,540)	(12,871)
Net cash generated / (used in) from operating activities		**52,861,238**	**229,594,950**	**5,975,272**	**(4,142,957)**

Consolidated and Separate Statements of Cashflows (cont'd)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	**Note**	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**
Cash flows from investing activities					
Investment in subsidiaries	51(xxiii)	-	-	(850,000)	-
Investment in associates	51(xxiv)	-	(6,715,273)	-	-
Purchase of property and equipment	31	(11,386,097)	(6,088,676)	(9,108)	(15,594)
Purchase of intangible assets	32(a)	(4,133,982)	(1,268,836)	-	-
Purchase of intangible assets work-in-progress	32(a)	(842,710)	(1,126,533)	(12,094)	-
Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		34,290	198,799	1,217	31,407
Acquisition of investment securities		(266,944,103)	(63,443,691)	(2,587,255)	(2,756,410)
Proceeds from sale and redemption of investment securities		97,240,228	77,066,880	-	-
Acquisition of AIICO Pension (net of cash acquired)	32.1b	(2,541,435)	-	-	-
Net cash used in from investing activities		**(188,573,809)**	**(1,377,331)**	**(3,457,240)**	**(2,740,597)**
Cash flows from financing activities					
Deposit for Notes		-	5,700,000	-	5,700,000
Proceeds from long term borrowings	41(c)	29,436,917	64,040,385	850,000	-
Repayment of long term borrowings	41(c)	(23,160,725)	(142,634,377)	-	-
Proceeds from debt securities issued	51(xxi)	2,121,060	848,220	-	-
Repayment of debt securities issued	51(xxi)	-	(26,000,000)	-	-
Lease payment	37(g)	(561,182)	(456,701)	-	-
Dividends paid to owners		(3,995,422)	(2,984,807)	(3,960,542)	(2,970,407)
Net cash (used in)/generated from financing activities		**3,840,648**	**(101,487,280)**	**(3,110,542)**	**2,729,593**
Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		**(131,871,923)**	**126,730,339**	**(592,510)**	**(4,153,961)**
Cash and cash equivalents at start of year		362,729,825	221,114,594	621,755	828,634
Increase /(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(131,871,923)	126,730,339	(592,510)	(4,153,961)
Effect of exchange rate movement on cash and cash equivalents held		16,652,978	14,884,892	1,362	3,947,082
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		**247,510,880**	**362,729,825**	**30,607**	**621,755**

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Notes to the Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements

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1 Reporting entity

FCMB Group Plc was incorporated in Nigeria as a financial holding company on November 20, 2012, under the Companies and Allied Matters Act, in response to the CBN's Regulation on the Scope of Banking Activities and Ancillary Matters (Regulation 3).

The principal activity of FCMB Group Plc is to carry on business as a financial holding company, investing in and holding controlling shares in, as well as managing equity investments in Central Bank of Nigeria approved financial entities. The Company has seven direct subsidiaries; First City Monument Bank Limited (100%), FCMB Capital Markets Limited (100%), CSL Stockbrokers Limited (100%), FCMB Trustees Limited (formerly CSL Trustees Limited) (100%), FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited (100%), FCMB Pensions Limited (91.28%) and Credit Direct Limited (100%).

FCMB Group Plc is a company domiciled in Nigeria. The address of the Company's registered office is 44 Marina, Lagos. These audited reports for the year ended 31 December 2022 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries (together referred to as the 'Group').

2(a) Changes in accounting policies

Except as noted below, the Group has consistently applied the accounting policies as set out in Note 3 to all periods presented in these consolidated and separate financial statements.

(b) Significant accounting policies

Except as noted in Note 2(a), the Group has consistently applied the following accounting policies to all periods presented in these consolidated and separate financial statements, unless otherwise stated.

3(a) (i) Statement of compliance

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standard Board (IASB) and in the manner required by the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria, the Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria Act, the Banks and other Financial Institutions Act of Nigeria, and relevant Central Bank of Nigeria circulars. The same accounting policies and methods of computation are followed in the consolidated and separate financial statements as compared with the most recent annual financial statements except as described in note 2(a).

(ii) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with the exception of the following:

- Financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost;
- Derivative financial instruments which are measured at fair value; and
- Non-derivative financial instruments, carried at fair value through profit or loss, or fair value through OCI are measured at fair value.

(iii) Functional and presentation currency

These consolidated and separate financial statements are presented in Naira, which is the Bank's functional currency. Except where indicated, financial information presented in Naira has been rounded to the nearest thousand.

(iv) Use of estimates and judgments

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, management has made judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the Group's accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to estimates are recognised prospectively.

(a) Judgements

Information about judgements made in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the consolidated financial statements is included in the following notes.

- **Note 4(b):** establishing the criteria for determining whether credit risk on the financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition, determining the methodology for incorporating forward-looking information into the measurement of ECL and selection and approval of models used to measure ECL.
- **Notes 3(k)(ii) and 5:** classification of financial assets: assessment of the business model within which the assets are held and assessment of whether the contractual terms of the financial asset are SPPI on the principal amount outstanding.

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b) Assumptions and estimation uncertainties

Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment in the year ended 31 December 2021 is included in the following notes.

- **Notes 4(b) and 3(k)(vii):** impairment of financial instruments: determination of inputs into the ECL measurement model, including key assumptions used in estimating recoverable cash flows and incorporation of forward-looking information.
- **Note 7:** measurement of the fair value of financial instruments with significant unobservable inputs.
- **Note 32:** recognition of deferred tax assets: availability of future taxable profit against which carry-forward tax losses can be used.
- **Note 31(d) - (e):** impairment testing for CGUs containing goodwill: key assumptions underlying recoverable amounts.

Information about significant areas of estimation uncertainties and critical judgments in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated and separate financial statements are described in note 5.

(b) Basis of Consolidation

(i) Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are investees controlled by the Group. The Group 'controls' an investee if it is exposed to, or has the rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. The Group reassesses whether it has control if there are changes to one or more of elements of control. This includes circumstances in which protective rights held become substantive and lead to the Group having power over an investee.

The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date that control commences until the date that control ceases. Investment in subsidiaries are measured at cost less impairment in the Bank's separate financial statements.

(ii) Special purpose entities

Special purpose entities (SPEs) are entities that are created to accomplish a narrow and well-defined objective such as the execution of a specific borrowing or lending transaction. An SPE is consolidated if, based on an evaluation of the substance of its relationship with the Group and the SPE's risks and rewards, the Group concludes that it controls the SPE.

The Group established FCMB Financing SPV Plc, Nigeria as a special purpose entity to raise capital from the Nigerian capital markets or other international market either by way of a stand-alone Issue or by the establishment of a programme. Accordingly, the financial statements of FCMB Financing SPV Plc have been consolidated.

(iii) Loss of control

On the loss of control, the Group derecognises the assets and liabilities of the subsidiary, any non-controlling interests and the other components of equity related to the subsidiary. Any surplus or deficit arising on the loss of control is recognised in profit or loss. If the Group retains any interests in the previous subsidiary, then such interests is measured at fair value at the date that control is lost. Subsequently that retained interests is accounted for as an equity-accounted investee or in accordance with the Group's accounting for financial instruments.

(iv) Common control transactions

Common control transactions in the consolidated financial statement are accounted for at book value accounting. Any method chosen by an entity are consistently used for all similar common control transactions in its consolidated financial statements i.e. it cannot use IFRS 3 accounting for some common control transactions and book value accounting for other similar transactions.

The difference between the consideration paid and the book value of the asset represents transaction with shareholder and should therefore be recorded in equity. The assets and liabilities transferred are recognised at the carrying amounts recognised previously in the transferor's consolidated financial statements. The Group adopted the book value method of accounting for its common control transactions.

(v) Transactions eliminated on consolidation

Intra-group balances and any unrealised income and expenses arising from intra-group transactions, are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with equity-accounted investees are eliminated against the investment to the extent of the Group's interest in the investee. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

(c) Foreign currency

(i) Foreign currency transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into the respective functional currencies of the operations at the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are translated into the functional currency at the spot exchange rates as at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss is the difference between amortised cost in the functional currency at the beginning of the period, adjusted for effective interest and payments during the period, and the amortized cost in foreign currency translated at the spot exchange rate at the end of the period.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are measured at fair value are translated into the functional currency at the spot exchange rate at the date that the fair value was determined. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

However, foreign currency differences arising from the translation of the following item are recognised in other comprehensive income:

- an investment in equity securities designated at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI) except on impairment, in which case foreign currency difference that have been recognised in other comprehensive income are reclassified to profit or loss.

(ii) Foreign operations

The assets and liabilities of foreign operations, including goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on acquisition, are translated to Naira at spot exchange rates at the reporting date. The income and expenses of foreign operations are translated to Naira at spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

Foreign currency differences are recognised in other comprehensive income, and presented in the foreign currency translation reserve, except to the extent that the translation difference is allocated to non-controlling interests (NCI). When a foreign operation is disposed of such that control is lost, the cumulative amount in the translation reserve related to that foreign operation is reclassified to profit or loss as part of the gain or loss on disposal. When the Group disposes of only part of its interest in a subsidiary that includes a foreign operation while retaining control, the relevant proportion of the cumulative amount is reattributed to non-controlling interests.

When the settlement of monetary item receivable from or payable to a foreign operation is neither planned nor likely in the foreseeable future, foreign currency gains and losses arising from such item are considered to form part of a net investment in the foreign operation and are recognised in other comprehensive income, and presented in the translation reserve in equity.

(d) Interest

Interest income and expense are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method. The 'effective interest rate' is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts through the expected life of the financial instrument to the gross carrying amount of financial assets or financial liability.

When calculating the effective interest rate for financial instruments other than credit-impaired assets, the Group estimates future cashflows considering all contractual terms of the financial instrument, but not expected credit losses. For credit-impaired financial assets, a credit adjusted effective interest rate is calculated using estimated future cashflows including expected credit losses.

The calculation of the effective interest rate includes transaction costs and fees and points paid or received that are an integral part of the effective interest rate. Transaction costs include incremental costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of a financial asset or financial liability.

The 'amortised cost' of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets adjusted for any expected credit loss allowance. The 'gross carrying amount of a financial asset' is the amortised cost of a financial asset before adjusting for any expected credit loss allowance.

In calculating interest income and expense, the effective interest rate is applied to the gross carrying amount of the asset (when the asset is not credit-impaired) or to the amortised cost of the liability. However, for financial assets that have become credit-impaired subsequent to initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the financial asset. If the asset is no longer credit-impaired,then the calculation of interest income reverts to the gross basis. For financial assets that were credit-impaired on initial recognition, interest income is calculated by applying the credit-adjusted effective interest rate to the amortised cost of the asset. The calculation of interest income does not revert to a gross basis, even if the credit risk of the asset improves.

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Interest income and expense presented in the statement of profit or loss and OCI include:

- Interest on financial assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost calculated on an effective interest rate basis.
- Interest on debt instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income calculated on an effective interest basis;

Interest income and expense on all trading assets and liabilities are considered to be incidental to the Group's trading operations and are presented together with all other changes in the fair value of trading assets and liabilities in net trading income.

(e) Fees and commission

Fees and commission income and expenses that are integral to the effective interest rate on a financial asset or liability are included in the measurement of the effective interest rate which is used in the computation of Interest Income. Fees, such as processing and management fees charged for assessing the financial position of the borrower, evaluating and reviewing guarantees, collateral and other security, negotiation of instruments' terms, preparing and processing documentation and finalising the transaction are an integral part of the effective interest rate on a financial asset or liability and are included in the measurement of the effective interest rate of financial assets or liabilities.

Other fees and commission income, including loan account servicing fees, investment management and other fiduciary activity fees, sales commission, placement fees and syndication fees, are recognised as the related services are performed. When a loan commitment is not expected to result in the draw-down of a loan, loan commitment fees are recognised on a straight-line basis over the commitment period.

Other fees and commission expense relates mainly to transaction and service fees, which are expensed as the services are received.

(f) Net trading income

Interest income and expense on all trading assets and liabilities are considered to be incidental to the Group's trading operations and be presented together with others.

Net trading income comprises gains less losses related to trading assets and liabilities, and includes all realised and unrealised fair value changes, dividends and foreign exchange differences.

(g) Net income from other financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

Net income from other financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss relates to fair value gains or losses on non-trading derivatives held for risk management purposes that do not form part of qualifying hedge relationships and financial assets and liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss. It includes all realised and unrealised fair value changes, interest, dividends and foreign exchange differences.

(h) Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive income is established. Dividends are presented in net trading income, net income from other financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss or other revenue based on the underlying classification of the equity investment.

(i) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Group assesses whether a contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Group uses the definition of a lease in IFRS 16.

(i) Group acting as a lessee

At commencement or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of its relative standalone price. However, for leases of branches and office premises the Group has elected not to separate non-lease components and accounts for the lease and non-lease components as a single lease component.

The Group recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability at the lease commencement date. The right-of-use asset is initially measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability adjusted for any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, plus any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of costs to dismantle and remove any improvements made to branches or office premises.

The right-of-use asset is subsequently depreciated using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the lease term. In addition, the right-of-use asset is periodically reduced by impairment losses, if any, and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability.

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

The Group determines its incremental borrowing rate by analysing its borrowings from various external sources and makes certain adjustments to reflect the terms of the lease and type of asset leased.

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

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

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

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

The Group presents right-of-use assets in 'property and equipment' and lease liabilities in 'other liabilities' in the statement of financial position.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Group has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases of low-value assets and short-term leases, including leases of IT equipment. The Group recognises the lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

(ii) Group acting as a lessor

At inception or on modification of a contract that contains a lease component, the Group allocates the consideration in the contract to each lease component on the basis of their relative stand-alone selling prices. When the Group acts as a lessor, it determines at lease inception whether the lease is a finance lease or an operating lease.

To classify each lease, the Group makes an overall assessment of whether the lease transfers substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of the underlying asset. If this is the case, then the lease is a finance lease; if not, then it is an operating lease. As part of this assessment, the Group considers certain indicators such as whether the lease is for the major part of the economic life of the asset.

The Group applies the derecognition and impairment requirements in IFRS 9 to the net investment in the lease. The Group further regularly reviews estimated unguaranteed residual values used in calculating the gross investment in the lease.

The Group determined whether the arrangement was or contained a lease based on the assessment of whether:

- fulfilment of the arrangement was dependent on the use of a specific asset or assets; and
- the arrangement had conveyed a right to use the asset.

(j) Income tax

Income tax expense comprises current tax (company income tax, tertiary education tax National Information Technology Development Agency levy and Nigeria Police Trust Fund levy) and deferred tax. It is recognised in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to a business combination, or items recognised directly in equity or in other comprehensive income.

The Company had determined that interest and penalties relating to income taxes, including uncertain tax treatments, do not meet the definition of income taxes, and therefore are accounted for under IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets.

(a) Current income tax

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

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- Company income tax is computed on taxable profits
- Tertiary education tax is computed on assessable profits
- National Information Technology Development Agency levy is computed on profit before tax
- Nigeria Police Trust Fund levy is computed on net profit (i.e. profit after deducting all expenses and taxes from revenue earned by the company during the year)
- National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure (NASENI) levy is computed on 0.25% of Profit Before Tax for commercial companies in the banking, mobile communication, ICT, aviation, maritime and oil and gas sectors.

Total amount of tax payable under CITA is determined based on the higher of two components namely Company Income Tax (based on taxable income (or loss) for the year); and minimum tax. Taxes based on profit for the period are treated as income tax in line with IAS 12.

Minimum tax

Minimum tax which is based on a gross amount is outside the scope of IAS 12 and therefore, are not presented as part of income tax expense in the profit or loss.

Minimum tax is determined based on the sum of:

- the highest of; 0.25% of revenue of N500,000, 0.5% of gross profit, 0.25% of paid up share capital and 0.5% of net assets; and
- 0.125% of revenue in excess of N500,000.

Where the minimum tax charge is higher than the Company Income Tax (CIT), a hybrid tax situation exists. In this situation, the CIT is recognised in the income tax expense line in the profit or loss and the excess amount is presented above the income tax line as minimum tax.

The Company offsets the tax assets arising from withholding tax (WHT) credits and current tax liabilities if, and only if, the entity has a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts, and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The tax asset is reviewed at each reporting date and written down to the extent that it is no longer probable that future economic benefit would be realised.

(b) Deferred tax

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

Deferred tax is not recognised for:

- temporary differences on the initial recognition of assets or liabilities in a transaction that is not a business combination and that affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss;
- temporary differences related to investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint arrangements to the extent that the Company is able to control the timing of the reversal of the temporary differences and it is probable that they will not reverse in the foreseeable future; and
- taxable temporary differences arising on the initial recognition of goodwill.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for unused tax losses, unused tax credits and deductible temporary differences to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which they can be used. Future taxable profits are determined based on the reversal of relevant taxable temporary differences.

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

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

Deferred tax is measured at the tax rates that are expected to be applied to temporary differences when they reverse, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and reflects uncertainty related to income taxes, if any.

The measurement of deferred tax reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Company expects, at the reporting date, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset only if certain criteria are met.

(k) Financial assets and financial liabilities

(i) Recognition and initial measurement

The Group initially recognises loans and receivables, deposits, debt securities issued and subordinated liabilities on the date on which they are originated. All other financial instruments (including assets and liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss) are recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

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

A financial asset or financial liability is measured initially at fair value plus, for an item not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue.

(ii) Classification

A financial asset is measured at fair value through other comprehensive income only if it meets both the following conditions and is not designated as at fair value through profit or loss:

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

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

All other financial assets are classified as measured at fair value through profit or loss.

In addition,on initial recognition, the Group may irrevocably designate a financial asset that otherwise meets the requirements to be measured at amortised cost or at fair value through other comprehensive income as at fair value through profit or loss if doing so eliminates or signicantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

Reclassifications

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition, except in the period after the Group changes its business model for managing financial assets. The reclassification carried out prospectively from the reclassification date. Accordingly, any previously unrecognised gains, losses or interest are not reinstated. Changes in the business model for managing financial assets are expected to be very infrequent.

Financial liabilities

The Group classifies its financial liabilities, other than financial guarantees and loan commitments, as measured at amortised cost or fair value through profit or loss.

(iii) Derecognition

Financial assets

The Group derecognises a financial asset when the contractual right to the cash flow from the Financial assets expires or it transfers the right to receive the contractual cash flow in a transaction in which the substantially all the risks and rewards of the ownership of the financial asset are transferred or in which the Group neither transfers nor retains substantially all the risks and the rewards of the ownership and it does not retain control of the financial asset.

On derecognition of the financial asset, the difference between the carrying amount of the asset (or the carrying amount allocated to the portion of the asset derecognised) and the sum of (i) the consideration received (including any new asset obtained less any new liability assumed) and (ii) any cumulative gain or loss that had been recognised in OCI is recognised in profit or loss.

Any cumulative gain/loss recognised in OCI in respect of equity investment securities designated as at fair value through other comprehensive income is not recognised in the profit or loss on derecognition of such securities. Any interest in transferred financial assets that qualify for derecognition that is created or retained by the Group is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

The Group enters into transactions whereby it transfers assets recognised on its statement of financial position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the transferred assets or a portion of them. In such cases, the transferred assets are not derecognised. Examples of such transactions are securities lending and sale-and-repurchase transactions.

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When assets are sold to a third party with a concurrent total rate of return swap on the transferred assets, the transaction is accounted for as a secured financing transaction similar to sale-and-repurchase transactions, because the Group retains all or substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of such assets.

In transaction in which the Group neither retains nor transfers substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the asset and it retains control over the asset, the Group continues to recognise the asset to the extent of its continuing involvement, determined by the extent to which it is exposed to changes in the value of the transferred asset.

In certain transactions, the Group retains the obligation to service the transferred financial asset for a fee. The transferred asset is derecognised if it meets the derecognition criteria. An asset or liability is recognised for the servicing contract if the servicing fee is more than adequate (asset) or is less than adequate (liability) for performing the servicing.

The Group securitises various loans and advances to customers and investment securities, which generally result in the sale of these to unconsolidated securitisation vehicles and in the Group transferring substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. The securitisation vehicle in turn issues securities to investors. Interest in the securitised financial assets are generally retained in the form of senior or subordinated tranches, interest-only strips or other residual interests (retained interests). Retained interests are recognised as investment securities and carried at fair value through other comprehensive income. Gains or losses on securitisation are recorded in other revenue.

Financial liabilities

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled, or expired.

(iv) Modification 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 assets are substantially different. If the cash flows are substantially different, then the contractual right to cash flows from the original financial asset are deemed to have expired. In this case, the original financial asset is derecognised and a new financial asset is recognised at fair value.

If the cash flow of the modified asset carried at amortised 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 derecognises the amount arising from adjusting the gross carrying amount as a modification gain or loss in other income in profit or loss.

Financial liabilities

The Group derecognises a financial liability when its terms are modified and the cash flow of the modified liability are substantially different. In this case, a new financial liability based on the modified terms is recognised at fair value. The difference between the carrying amount of the financial liability extinguished and the new financial liability with modified terms is recognised in profit or loss.

(v) Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of the financial position when, the Group currently has a legally enforceable right to set off the amounts and it intends to either to settle them on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis only when permitted under IFRS, or gains and losses arising from a group of similar transactions such as the Group's trading activity.

(vi) Fair value measurement

Fair value' is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Group has access at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

When one is available, the Group measure the fair value of an instrument using the quoted price in an active market for that instrument. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

If there is no quoted price in an active market, then the Group uses valuation techniques that maximise the use of relevant observable inputs and minimise the use of unobservable inputs. The chosen valuation technique incorporates all of the factors that the market participants would take into account in pricing a transaction.

The best evidence of the fair value of a financial instrument on initial recognition is normally the transaction price - i.e, the fair value of the consideration given or received. If the Group determines that the fair value on initial recognition differs from the transaction price and the fair value is evidenced neither by a quoted price in an active market for an identical asset or liability nor based on a valuation technique for which any unobservable inputs are judged to be insignificant in relation to the measurement, then the financial instrument is initially measured at fair value, adjusted to defer the difference between the fair value on initial recognition and the transaction price. Subsequently, that difference is recognised in profit or loss on an appropriate basis over the life of the instrument but no later than when the valuation is wholly supported by observable market data or the transaction is closed out.

If an asset or a liability measured at fair value has a bid price and ask price, then the Group measures assets and long positions at a bid price and liabilities and short positions at an ask price.

Portfolios of financial assets and financial liabilities that are exposed to market risk and credit risk that are managed by the Group on the basis of the net exposure to either market or credit risk are measured on the basis of a price that would be received to sell a net long position (or paid to transfer a net short position) for the particular risk exposure. Portfolio-level adjustments-e.g bid-ask adjustment or credit risk adjustments that reflect the measurement on the basis of the net exposure- are allocated to the individual assets and liabilities on the basis of the relative risk adjustment of each of the individual instruments in the portfolio.

The fair value of a financial liability with a demand feature (e.g. a demand deposit) is not less than the amount payable on demand, discounted from the first date on which the amount could be required to be paid.

The Group recognises transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy as of the end of the reporting period during which the change has occurred.

(vii) Impairment

The Group recognises loss allowances for ECL on the following financial insruments that are not measured at fair value through profit or loss:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost;
- debt investments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income;
- financial guarantee contracts issued; and
- loan commitments issued

No impairment loss is recognised on equity investments.

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECL, except for the following for which they are measured as 12-month ECL;

- financial assets that are determined to have low credit risk at the reporting date; and
- other financial instruments (other than lease receivables) on which credit risk has not increased significantly since their initial recognition.

Loss allowances for lease receivable are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECL.

The Group considers a debt investment security to have low credit risk when its credit risk rating is equivalent to the globally understood definition of 'investment grade'. The Group does not apply the low credit risk exemption to any other financial instruments.

12-months ECL are the portion of ECL that result from default events on a financial instrument that are possible within the 12 months after the reporting date. Financial instruments for which a 12-month ECL is recognised are referred to as 'Stage 1 financial instruments'.

Life-time ECL are the ECL that result from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instruments. Financial instruments for which a lifetime ECL is recognised but which are not credit-impaired are referred to as 'Stage 2 financial instruments'.

Measurement of ECL

ECL are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. They are measured as follows:

- **financial assets that are not credit-impaired at the reporting date:** as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e. the difference between the cash flow due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flow that the Group expects to receive);
- **financial assets that are credit-impaired at the reporting date:** as the difference between the gross carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows;
- **undrawn loan commitments:** as the present value of the difference between the contractual cash flows that are due to the Group if the commitment is down and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive; and
- **financial guarantee contracts:** the expected payments to reimburse the holder less any amount that the Group expects to recover.

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Restructured financial assets

If the terms of a financial assets renegotiated or modified or an existing financial asset is replaced with a new one due to financial difficulties of the borrower, then an assessment is made of whether the financial asset should be derecognised and ECL are measured as follows.

- If the expected restructuring will not result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected cashflows arising from the modified financial asset are included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing assets.
- If the expected restructuring will result in derecognition of the existing asset, then the expected fair value of the asset is treated as final cash flow from the existing financial asset at the time of its derecognition. The amount is included in calculating the cash shortfalls from the existing financial asset that are discounted from the expected date of derecognition to the reporting date using the original effective interest rate of the existing financial asset.

Credit-Impaired financial assets

At each reporting date, the Group assesses whether financial assets at amortized cost and debt instruments carried at fair value through other comprehensive income are credit-impaired. A financial asset is 'credit impaired' when one or more events that have a detrimental impact on he estimated future cash flows of the financial asset have occurred.

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

- Significant financial difficulty of the borrower or issuer;
- a breach of contract such as a default or past due event;
- the restructuring of a loan or advance by the Group on terms that the Group would not consider otherswise;
- it is becoming probable that the borrower will enter bankcruptcy or other financial reorganisation; or
- the disappearance of an active market for a security because of financial difficulties.

A loan that has been renegotiated due to a deterioration in the borrower's condition is usually considered to be credit-impaired unless there is evidence that the risk of not receiving contractual cash flows has reduced significantly and there are no other indicators of impairment. In addition, a retail loan that is overdue for 90 days or more is considered impaired.

In making an assessment of whether an investment in sovereign debt is credit-impaired, the Group considers the following factors.

- The market's assessment of creditworthiness as reflected in the bond yields.
- The rating agencies' assessment of creditworthiness.
- The countries ability to access the capital markets for new debt issuance.
- The probability of debt being restructured, resulting in holders suffering losses through voluntary or mandatory debt forgiveness.
- The international support mechanism in place to provide the necessary support as 'lender of last resort' to the country, as well as the intention, reflected in the public statement of governments and agencies to use those mechanisms. This includes an assessment of the depth of those mechanisms and, irrespective of political intent, whether there is the capacity to fulfil the required criteria.

Presentation of allowance for ECL in the statement of financial position

Loss allowances for ECL are presented in the statement of financial position as follows:

- Financial assets measured at amortised cost: as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the assets;
- Loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts: generally, as a provision;
- Where a financial instrument includes both a drawn and an undrawn component, and the Group cannot identify the ECL on the loan commitment component separately from those on the drawn component, the Group presents a combined loss allowance for both components. The combined amount is presented as a deduction from the gross carrying amount of the drawn component. Any excess of the loss allowance over the gross amount of the drawn component is presented as a provision; and
- debt instruments measured at fair value through other comprehensive income: no loss allowance is recognised in the statement of financial position because the carrying amount of these assets is their fair value. However, the loss allowance is charged to profit or loss and is recognised in the fair value reserve, other comprehensive income.

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Write-off policy

Loans and debt securities are written off (either partially or in full) when there is no realistic prospect of recovery. This is generally the case when the Group determines that the borrower does not have assets or sources of income that could generate sufficient cash flows to repay the amounts subject to the write-off. Recoveries of amount previously written off are includeded in impairment losses "on financial instruments" in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income". However, financial asstes that are written off could still be subject to enforcement activities in order to comply with the Group's procedures for recovery of amounts due.

Measurement of impairment

Impairment losses on assets measured at amortised cost were calculated as the difference between the carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted as the asset's original effective interest rate. impairment losses were calculated as the difference between the carrying amount and the fair value.

Reversal of impairment

- For assets measured at amortised cost: If an event occuring after the impairment was recognised caused the amount of impairment loss to decrease, then the decrease in impairment loss was reversed through profit or loss.

Impairment losses were recognised in profit or loss and reflected in an allowance account against loans and receivables or held-to-maturity investment securities. Interest on the impaired assets continued to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount.

Impairment losses on investment securities at fair value through other comprehensive income are recognised by reclassifying the losses accumulated in the fair value reserve in equity to profit or loss. The cummulative loss that is reclassified from equity to profit or loss is the difference between the acquisition cost, net of any principal repayment and amortization, and the current fair value, less any impairment loss previously recognised in profit or loss.

Write-off

The Group wrote off a loan or an investment debt security, either partially or in full, and any related allowance for impairment losses, when Group determined that there was no realistic prospect of recovery.

(viii) Designation at fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets

At initial recognition, the Group has designated certain financial assets as at fair value through profit or loss because this designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch, which would otherwise arise.

Financial liabilities

The Group has designated certain financial liabilities as at fair value through profit or loss in either of the following circumstances:

- the liabilities are managed, evaluated and reported internally on a fair value basis; or
- the designation eliminates or significantly reduces an accounting mismatch that would otherwise arise.

(l) (i) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include bank notes and coins on hand, unrestricted balances held with central banks and highly liquid financial assets with original maturities of less than three months, which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in their fair value, and are used by the Group in the management of its short-term commitments. Cash and cash equivalents are carried at amortised cost in the statement of financial position. For the purposes of the cash flow statement, cash and cash equivalents include cash and non-restricted balances with central banks.

(ii) Restricted reserve deposits

Restricted reserve deposits are restricted mandatory reserve deposits held with the Central Bank of Nigeria, which are not available for use in the Bank and Group's day-to-day operations. They are calculated as a fixed percentage of the Group's and Bank's deposit liabilities.

(m) Trading assets and liabilities

Trading assets and liabilities are those assets and liabilities that the Group acquires or incurs principally for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term, or holds as part of a portfolio that is managed together for short-term profit or position taking.

Trading assets and liabilities are initially recognised and subsequently measured at fair value in the statement of financial position with transaction costs recognised in profit or loss. All changes in fair value are recognised as part of net trading income in profit or loss.

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(n) Assets pledged as collateral

Financial assets transferred to external parties that do not qualify for de-recognition (see k(iii)) are reclassified in the statement of financial position from investment securities to assets pledged as collateral, if the transferee has received the right to sell or re-pledge them in the event of default from agreed terms. Assets pledged as collateral are initially recognised at fair value, and are subsequently measured at amortised cost or fair value as appropriate. These transactions are performed in accordance with the usual terms of securities lending and borrowing.

(o) Loan and advances

Loan and advances' captions in the statement of financial position include:

- loans and advances measured at amortised cost; they are initially measured at fair value plus incremental direct transsaction costs, and subsequently at their amortised cost using the effective interest method;
- loans and advances mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss or designated as at fair value through profit or loss; these are measured at fair value with changes recognised immediately in profit or loss; and
- finance lease receivables.

When the Group purchases a financial asset and simultaneously enters into an agreement to resell the asset (or a substantially similar asset) at a fixed price on a future date (reverse repo or stock borrowing), the arrangement is accounted for as a loan or advance, and the underlying asset is not recognised in the Group's financial statements.

Loans and advances were initially measured at fair value plus incremental direct transaction costs, and subsequently measured at their amortised cost using effective interest method. When the Group chose to designate the loans and advances as measured at fair value through profit or loss, they were measured at fair value with face value changes recognised immediately in profit or loss.

Loans and advances also included finance lease receivables in which the Group was the lessor.

When the Group purchased a financial asset and simultaneously entered into an agreement to resell the asset (or a substantially similar asset) at a fixed price on a future date (reverse repo or stock borrowing), the arrangement was accounted for as a loan or advance, and the underlying asset was not recognised in the Group's financial statements

(p) Investment securities

Investment securities' caption in the statement of financial position includes:

- debt investment securities measured at amortised cost; these are initially measured at fair value plus incremental direct transaction costs, and subsequently at their amortised cost using the effective interest method;
- debt and equity investment securities mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss or designated at fair value through profit or loss; these are at fair value with changes recognised immediately in profit or loss;
- debt securities measured at fair value through other comprehensive income; and
- equity investment securities designated at fair value through other comprehensive income.

For debt securities measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, gains and losses are recognised in OCI, except for the following, which are recognised in profit and loss in the same manner as for financial assets measured at amortised cost:

- interest revenue using the effective interest method;
- ECL and reversals; and
- foreign exchange gains and losses.

When debt security measured at fair value through other comprehensive income is derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is reclassified from equity to profit or loss.

The Group elects to present in OCI changes in the fair value of certain investments in equity instruments that are not held for trading. The election is made on an instrument-by-instrument basis on initial recognition and is irrevocable.

Gains and losses on such equity instruments are never reclassified to profit or loss and no impairment is recognised in the profit and loss. Dividends are recognised in profit and loss unless they clearly represent a recovery of part of the cost of the investment, in which case they are recognised in OCI. Cumulative gains and losses recognised in OCI are transferred to retained earnings on disposal of an investment.

(q) Derivatives held for risk management purposes

Derivatives held for risk management purposes include all derivative assets and liabilities that are not classified as trading assets or liabilities. Derivatives are recognised initially at fair value in the statement of financial position, while any

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attributable costs are recognised in profit or loss when incurred. Subsequent to initial recognition, derivatives are measured at fair value with fair values changes recognised in profit or loss.

(r) Property and equipment

(i) Recognition and measurement

Items of property and equipment are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of the equipment.

When parts of an item of property or equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items (major components) of property and equipment. Items of work in progress are recognised at cost less any observable impairment. A review for impairment is carried out when circumstances or situations suggests that the asset carrying amount may not be recoverable. Impairment loss is recognized when the current asset value is less than the cost.

The gain or loss on disposal of an item of property and equipment is determined by comparing the proceeds from disposal with the carrying amount of the item of property and equipment and are recognized net within other income in profit or loss.

The assets' carrying values and useful lives are reviewed, and written down if appropriate, at each reporting date. Assets are impaired whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount is less than the recoverable amount; see note (t) on impairment of non-financial assets.

(ii) Subsequent costs

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

(iii) Depreciation

Depreciation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis to write down the cost of each asset, to their residual values over the estimated useful lives of each part of an item of property and equipment.

Depreciation begins when an asset is available for use and ceases at the earlier of the date that the asset is derecognised or classified as held for sale in accordance with IFRS 5. A non-current asset or disposal group is not depreciated while it is classified as held for sale. Items classified as work in progress are not depreciated till the asset is available for use. Leasehold land is not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives for the current and comparative periods of significant items of property and equipment are as follows:

Leasehold improvement	Over the shorter of the useful life of the item or lease term
Buildings	50 years
Computer equipment	4 years
Furniture, fittings and equipment	5 years
Motor vehicles	4 years
Right-of-use assets	Over the relevant lease terms.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate. When an item of work in progress is completed and is available for use, the asset is de-classified to the relevant class of the asset under property and equipment.

(iv) Derecognition

An item of property and equipment is derecognised on disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on de-recognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised.

(s) Intangible assets

(i) Goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the cost of the acquisition over the Group's interest in the net fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities of the acquired subsidiaries at the date of acquisition. When the excess is negative, it is recognised immediately in profit or loss; Goodwill on acquisition of subsidiaries is included in intangible assets. Subsequent to initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less accumulated impairment losses.

Subsequent measurement

Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units for the purpose of impairment testing. The allocation is made to those cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the business combination in which the goodwill arose. Goodwill is tested annually as well as whenever a trigger event has been observed for impairment by comparing the present value of the expected future cash flows from a cash generating unit with the carrying value of its net assets, including attributable goodwill and carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Impairment losses on goodwill are not reversed. Gains and losses on the disposal of an entity include the carrying amount of goodwill relating to the entity sold.

(ii) Software

Software acquired by the Group is stated at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Subsequent expenditure on software assets is capitalised only when it increases the future economic benefits embodied in the specific asset to which it relates. All other expenditure is expensed as incurred.

Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the software, from the date that it is available for use since this most closely reflects the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in the asset. The maximum useful life of software is four years while the estimated useful life of Customers' relationships is 17 years.

Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

(t) Impairment of non-financial assets

The Group's non-financial assets with carrying amounts other than deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. For goodwill and intangible assets that have indefinite useful lives or that are available for use, the recoverable amount is estimated each year at the same time.

An impairment loss is recognised if the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. A cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable asset group that generates cash flows that largely are independent from other assets and groups. Impairment losses are recognised in profit or loss. Impairment losses recognised in respect of cash-generating units are allocated first to reduce the carrying amount of any goodwill allocated to the units and then to reduce the carrying amount of the other assets in the unit (group of units) on a pro rata basis.

The recoverable amount of an asset or cash-generating unit is the greater of its value in use and its fair value less costs to sell. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset.

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

(u) Deposits, debt securities issued, onlending facilities and borrowings

Deposits, debt securities issued, onlending facilities and borrowings are the Group's sources of funding. When the Group sells a financial asset and simultaneously enters into a "repo" or "lending" agreement to repurchase the asset (or a similar asset) at a fixed price on a future date, the arrangement is accounted for as a deposit, and the underlying asset continues to be recognised in the Group's financial statements.

Deposits, debt securities issued, onlending facilities and borrowings are initially measured at fair value less incremental direct transaction costs, and subsequently measured at their amortised cost using the effective interest method, except where the Group chooses to carry the liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

(v) Sale and repurchase agreements

Securities sold subject to repurchase agreements ('repos') remain on the statement of financial position; the counterparty liability is included in amounts due to other banks, deposits from banks, other deposits or deposits due to customers, as appropriate. Securities purchased under agreements to resell (reverse repos') are recorded as money market placement. The difference between sale and repurchase price is treated as interest and accrued over the life of the agreements using the effective interest method.

Securities lent to counterparties are also retained in the financial statements. Securities borrowed are not recognised in the financial statements, unless these are sold to third parties, in which case the purchase and sale are recorded with the gain or loss included in trading income.

(w) Provisions

Provisions are determined by discounting the expected future cashflows at a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of time value of money and the specific risks to the liability. Provisions for restructuring costs and legal claims are recognised when: the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated. A provision for bank levies is recognised when the condition that triggers the payment of the levy is met. If a levy obligation is subject to a minimum activity threshold so that the obligating event is reaching a minimum activity, then a provision is recognised when that minimum activity threshold is reached. The Group recognises no provisions for future operating losses.

(x) Financial guarantees and loan commitments

Financial guarantees are contracts that require the Group to make specific payments to reimburse the holder for a loss that it incurs because a specified debtor fails to make payment when it is due in accordance with the terms of a debit instrument. 'Loan commitments' are firm commitments to provide credit under pre-specified terms and conditions.

Financial guarantees issued or commitments to provide a loan at a below- market interest rate are initially measured at fair value and the initial fair value is amortised over the life of the guarantee or the commitment.Subsequently, they are measured as follows;

- At the higher of this amortised amount and the amount of loss allowance (see k(vii)).

The Group has issued no loan commitment that are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

For other loan commitments:
The Group recognises loss allowance (see k(vii)).

Liabilities arising from financial guarantees and loan commitments are included within provisions.

(y) Employee benefits

(i) Short-term employee benefits

Short-term employee benefit obligations are expensed as the related service is provided. A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit-sharing plans if the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

(ii) Defined contribution plans

A retirement benefit obligation is a defined contribution plan. A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefits plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and has no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. In line with the Pension Reform Act 2014, the Group and its employees make a joint contribution of 18% (10% by the Bank and 8% by the employees) of basic salary, housing and transport allowance to each employee's retirement savings account maintained with their nominated pension fund administrators. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as personnel expenses in profit or loss in the period during which related services are rendered.

(iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are recognised as an expense when the Group is demonstrably committed, without realistic possibility of withdrawal, to a formal detailed plan to either terminate employment before the normal retirement date, or to provide termination benefits as a result of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy. Termination benefits for voluntary redundancy are recognised as an expense if the Group has made an offer of voluntary redundancy, it is probable that the offer will be accepted, and the number of acceptances can be estimated reliably. If benefits are payable more than 12 months after the reporting date, then they are discounted.

(z) Share capital and reserves

(i) Share issue costs

Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of an equity instrument are deducted from the initial measurement of the equity instrument.

(ii) Dividend on the Group's ordinary shares

Dividends on ordinary shares are recognised in equity in the period in which they are approved by the Group's shareholders. Dividends for the year that are declared after the date of the consolidated statement of financial position are dealt with in the subsequent events note. Dividends proposed by

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the Directors but not yet approved by members are disclosed in the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria.

(iii) Share premium

Premiums from the issue of shares are reported in share premium.

(iv) Retained earnings

Retained earnings comprise the undistributed profits from previous periods which have not been reclassified to any specified reserves.

(v) Other reserves comprises of statutory reserve, SSI reserve, translation reserve, fair value reserve, regulatory risk reserve and forbearance reserve.

(a) **Statutory reserve:** Nigerian banking regulations require the Bank to make an annual appropriation to a statutory reserve. As stipulated by Section 16(1) of the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act of 1991 (amended), an appropriation of 30% of profit after tax is made if the statutory reserve is less than the paid-up share capital and 15% of profit after tax if the statutory reserve is greater than the paid-up share capital.

(b) **AGSMEIS / SSI reserve:** The SSI reserve is maintained to comply with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) requirement that all licensed banks set aside a portion of the profit after tax in a fund to be used to finance equity investments in qualifying small and medium scale enterprises. Under the terms of the guideline (amended by CBN letter dated 11 July 2006), the contributions will be 10% of profit after tax and shall continue after the five years but banks' contributions shall thereafter reduce to 5% of profit after tax. The small and medium scale industries equity investment scheme reserves are nondistributable.

In April 2017, the Central Bank of Nigeria issued guidelines to govern the operations of the Agricultural/Small and Medium Enterprises Scheme (AGSMIES), which was established to support the Federal Government's efforts at promoting agricultural businesses and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) as vehicles for achieving sustainable economic development and employment generation. Though there's no longer mandatory transfers to this reserve under the earlier directives, all Nigerian banks are now required to set aside an amount equal to 5% of their annual Profits After Tax (PAT) towards the funding of equity investments, which qualify under the AGSMEIS Scheme. This is done after the audit and Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) approval.

(c) **Translation reserve:** comprises exchange differences resulting from the translation to Naira of the results and financial position of Group companies that have a functional currency other than Naira.

(d) **Fair value reserve:** comprises fair value movements on equity instruments and debt securities carried at fair value through other comprehensive income.

(e) **Regulatory risk reserve:** The Nigerian banking regulator requires the Bank to create a reserve for the difference between impairment charge determined in line with the principles of IFRS and impairment charge determined in line with the prudential guidelines issued by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN). This reserve is not available for distribution to shareholders.

(f) **forbearance reserve:** this is a non-distributable reserve which arose from forbearance granted by Central Bank of Nigeria being an additional appropriation of 15% of profit after tax to account for potential future provisions valid until 31 December 2020.

(aa) Earnings per share

The Group presents basic earnings per share (EPS) data for its ordinary shares. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Group by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is determined by adjusting the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders and the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding for the effects of all dilutive potential ordinary shares, which comprise share options granted to employees.

(ab) Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses, including revenues and expenses relating to transactions with any of the Group's other components, whose operating results are regularly reviewed by the Group Executive Committee (being the chief operating decision maker) to make decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance, and for which discrete financial information is available.

Segment results that are reported to the Group Executive Committee (being the chief operating decision maker) include items directly attributable to a segment as well as those that can be allocated on a reasonable basis. Unallocated items comprise mainly corporate assets (primarily the Company's headquarters), head office expenses, and tax assets and liabilities.

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(ac) Operating expense - general and administrative expenses and other operating expenses

Expenses are decreases in economic benefits during the accounting period in the form of outflows, depletion of assets or incurrence of liabilities that result in decrease in equity, other than those relating to distributions to equity participants.

Expenses are recognized on an accrual basis regardless of the time of spending cash. Expenses are recognized in the income statement when a decrease in future economic benefit related to a decrease in an assets or an increase of a liability has arisen that can be measured reliably. Expenses are measured at historical cost.

Only the portion of cost of a previous period that is related to the income earned during the reporting period is recognized as an expense. Expenses that are not related to the income earned during the reporting period, but expected to generate future economic benefits, are recorded in the financial statement as assets. The portion of assets which is intended for earning income in the future periods shall be recognized as an expense when the associated income is earned.

Expenses are recognized in the same reporting period when they are incurred in cases when it is not probable to directly relate them to particular income earned during the current reporting period and when they are not expected to generate any income during the coming financial years.

(ad) Deposit for Investment in AGSMEIS

The Agri-Business/Small and Medium Enterprises Investment Scheme is an initiative of Banker's committee of Nigeria. The contributed funds is meant for supporting the Federal Government's effort at promoting agricultural businesses as well as Small and Medium Enterprises. In line with this initiative, the Bank will contribute 5% of Profit After Tax yearly to the fund.
(ae) Consumables

Consumables include stocks and cards held for resale or subsequent issuance to customers. They are measured at lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost comprises of purchase and other costs incurred in bringing the items of stock to their present location and condition. Net realizable value is the estimated issuance price. When items of consumables are issued to customers, their carrying amount is recognized as an expense in the period in which the relevant revenue is recognized.

(af) Levies

A levy is an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits that is imposed by governments on entities in accordance with legislation (i.e. laws and/or regulations), other than:

- Those outflows of resources that are within the scope of other Standards (such as income taxes that are within the scope of IAS 12 Income Taxes); and
- Fines or other penalties that are imposed for breaches of the legislation

The Group recognises a levy when the obligating event that gives rise to a liability as identified by the legislation, occurs. This triggers the obligation to pay the levy and recognise the expense for the period.

(ag) Standards issued but not yet adopted

A number of new Standards, Amendments to Standards, and Interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 January 2022 and have not been applied in preparing these (consolidated and separate) financial statements. Those Standards, Amendments to Standards, and Interpretations which may be relevant to the Group (or Company) are set out below.

The Group and Company do not plan to adopt these standards early. The standards will be adopted in the period that they become mandatory unless otherwise indicated:

The directors are of the opinion that the impact of the application of the remaining Standards, Amendments to Standards and Interpretations are not expected to have a significant impact on the Group's consolidated and separate financial statements.

Effective at the option of the entity (effective date has been deferred indefinitely)

- Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28). When new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations will have little, or no material effect on the financial statements, it is not necessary to list them as such a disclosure would not be material. (IAS 1.31).

Standards and interpretations effective during the reporting period

Amendments to the following standard(s) became effective in the annual period starting from 1 January, 2022. The new reporting requirements as a result of the amendments and/or clarifications have been evaluated and their impact or otherwise are noted below:

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(i) Amendments to IFRS 3 Reference to the Conceptual Framework.

The Group has adopted the amendments to IFRS 3 Business Combinations for the first time in the current year. The amendments update IFRS 3 so that it refers to the 2018 Conceptual Framework instead of the 1989 Framework. They also add to IFRS 3 a requirement that, for obligations within the scope of IAS 37 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets, an acquirer applies IAS 37 to determine whether at the acquisition date a present obligation exists as a result of past events. For a levy that would be within the scope of IFRIC 21 Levies, the acquirer applies IFRIC 21 to determine whether the obligating event that gives rise to a liability to pay the levy has occurred by the acquisition date.

(ii) Amendments to IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment— Proceeds before Intended Use.

The Group has adopted the amendments to IAS 16 Property, Plant and Equipment for the first time in the current year. The amendments prohibit deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced before that asset is available for use, i.e. proceeds while bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Consequently, an entity recognises such sales proceeds and related costs in profit or loss. The entity measures the cost of those items in accordance with IAS 2 Inventories. The amendments also clarify the meaning of 'testing whether an asset is functioning properly'. IAS 16 now specifies this as assessing whether the technical and physical performance of the asset is such that it is capable of being used in the production or supply of goods or services, for rental to others, or for administrative purposes. If not presented separately in the statement of comprehensive income, the financial statements shall disclose the amounts of proceeds and cost included in profit or loss that relate to items produced that are not an output of the entity's ordinary activities, and which line item(s) in the statement of comprehensive income include(s) such proceeds and cost.

(ii) Annual Improvements to IFRS Accounting Standards 2018-2020 Cycle.

The Group has adopted the amendments included in the Annual Improvements to IFRS Accounting Standards 2018-2020 Cycle for the first time in the current year. The Annual Improvements include amendments to four standards.

IFRS 1 First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards.

The amendment provides additional relief to a subsidiary which becomes a first-time adopter later than its parent in respect of accounting for cumulative translation differences. As a result of the amendment, a subsidiary that uses the exemption in IFRS 1:D16(a) can now also elect to measure cumulative translation differences for all foreign operations at the carrying amount that would be included in the parent's consolidated financial statements, based on the parent's date of transition to IFRS Accounting Standards, if no adjustments were made for consolidation procedures and for the effects of the business combination in which the parent acquired the subsidiary. A similar election is available to an associate or joint venture that uses the exemption in IFRS 1:D16(a).

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments

The amendment clarifies that in applying the '10 per cent' test to assess whether to derecognise a financial liability, an entity includes only fees paid or received between the entity (the borrower) and the lender, including fees paid or received by either the entity or the lender on the other's behalf.

IFRS 16 Leases

The amendment removes the illustration of the reimbursement of leasehold improvements.

IAS 41 Agriculture

The amendment removes the requirement in IAS 41 for entities to exclude cash flows for taxation when measuring fair value. This aligns the fair value measurement in IAS 41 with the requirements of IFRS 13 Fair Value Measurement to use internally consistent cash flows and discount rates and enables preparers to determine whether to use pre-tax or post-tax cash flows and discount rates for the most appropriate fair value measurement.

New and revised IFRS Standards in issue but not yet effective

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the Group has not applied the following new and revised IFRS Standards that have been issued but are not yet effective.

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Standard	Content	Effective Date	Impact
IFRS 17	Insurance Contracts.	01 JAN 2023	No anticipated impact of the application.
IFRS 10	Amendments to IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures—Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture.	01 JAN 2023	The directors of the Company anticipated that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future periods should such transactions arise.
IAS 1	Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements—Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent.	01 JAN 2023	The directors of the Company anticipated that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future periods.
IAS 1	Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements and IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements—Disclosure of Accounting Policies.	01 JAN 2023	No anticipated impact of the application.
IFRS 8	Amendments to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors—Definition of Accounting Estimates.	01 JAN 2023	No anticipated impact of the application.
IAS 1	Amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes—Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction.	01 JAN 2023	The directors of the Company anticipated that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future periods should such transactions arise.

The directors do not expect that the adoption of the Standards listed above will have a material impact on the financial statements of the Group in future periods, except as noted below:

IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts

IFRS 17 establishes the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts and supersedes IFRS 4 Insurance Contracts.

IFRS 17 outlines a general model, which is modified for insurance contracts with direct participation features, described as the variable fee approach. The general model is simplified if certain criteria are met by measuring the liability for remaining coverage using the premium allocation approach.

The general model uses current assumptions to estimate the amount, timing and uncertainty of future cash flows and it explicitly measures the cost of that uncertainty. It takes into account market interest rates and the impact of policyholders' options and guarantees.

In June 2020, the IASB issued Amendments to IFRS 17 to address concerns and implementation challenges that were identified after IFRS 17 was published. The amendments defer the date of initial application of IFRS 17 (incorporating the amendments) to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023. At the same time, the IASB issued Extension of the Temporary Exemption from Applying IFRS 9 (Amendments to IFRS 4) that extends the fixed expiry date of the temporary exemption from applying IFRS 9 in IFRS 4 to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

In December 2021, the IASB issued Initial Application of IFRS 17 and IFRS 9—Comparative Information (Amendment to IFRS 17) to address implementation challenges that were identified after IFRS 17 was published. The amendment addresses challenges in the presentation of comparative information.

IFRS 17 must be applied retrospectively unless impracticable, in which case the modified retrospective approach or the fair value approach is applied.

For the purpose of the transition requirements, the date of initial application is the start of the annual reporting period in which the entity first applies the Standard, and the transition date is the beginning of the period immediately preceding the date of initial application.

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Amendments to IFRS 10 Consolidated Financial Statements and IAS 28 Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures—Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture.

The amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28 deal with situations where there is a sale or contribution of assets between an investor and its associate or joint venture. Specifically, the amendments state that gains or losses resulting from the loss of control of a subsidiary that does not contain a business in a transaction with an associate or a joint venture that is accounted for using the equity method, are recognised in the parent's profit or loss only to the extent of the unrelated investors' interests in that associate or joint venture. Similarly, gains and losses resulting from the remeasurement of investments retained in any former subsidiary (that has become an associate or a joint venture that is accounted for using the equity method) to fair value are recognised in the former parent's profit or loss only to the extent of the unrelated investors' interests in the new associate or joint venture.

The effective date of the amendments has yet to be set by the IASB; however, earlier application of the amendments is permitted. The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future periods should such transactions arise.

Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements—Classification of Liabilities as Current or Noncurrent

The amendments to IAS 1 published in January 2020 affect only the presentation of liabilities as current or noncurrent in the statement of financial position and not the amount or timing of recognition of any asset, liability, income or expenses, or the information disclosed about those items.

The amendments clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or non-current is based on rights that are in existence at the end of the reporting period, specify that classification is unaffected by expectations about whether an entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of a liability, explain that rights are in existence if covenants are complied with at the end of the reporting period, and introduce a definition of 'settlement' to make clear that settlement refers to the transfer to the counterparty of cash, equity instruments, other assets or services.

The amendments are applied retrospectively for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023, with early application permitted. The IASB is currently considering further amendments to the requirements in IAS 1 on classification of liabilities as current or non-current, including deferring the application of the January 2020 amendments.

The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future periods.

Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements and IFRS Practice Statement 2 Making Materiality Judgements—Disclosure of Accounting Policies

The amendments change the requirements in IAS 1 with regard to disclosure of accounting policies. The amendments replace all instances of the term 'significant accounting policies' with 'material accounting policy information'. Accounting policy information is material if, when considered together with other information included in an entity's financial statements, it can reasonably be expected to influence decisions that the primary users of general purpose financial statements make on the basis of those financial statements.

The supporting paragraphs in IAS 1 are also amended to clarify that accounting policy information that relates to immaterial transactions, other events or conditions is immaterial and need not be disclosed. Accounting policy information may be material because of the nature of the related transactions, other events or conditions, even if the amounts are immaterial. However, not all accounting policy information relating to material transactions, other events or conditions is itself material.

The IASB has also developed guidance and examples to explain and demonstrate the application of the 'four-step materiality process' described in IFRS Practice Statement 2.

Amendments to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors—Definition of Accounting Estimates

The amendments replace the definition of a change in accounting estimates with a definition of accounting estimates. Under the new definition, accounting estimates are "monetary amounts in financial statements that are subject to measurement uncertainty.

The definition of a change in accounting estimates was deleted. However, the IASB retained the concept of changes in accounting estimates in the Standard with the following clarifications:

- A change in accounting estimate that results from new information or new developments is not the correction of an error.
- The effects of a change in an input or a measurement technique used to develop an accounting estimate are changes in accounting estimates if they do not result from the correction of prior period errors.

The IASB added two examples (Examples 4-5) to the Guidance on implementing IAS 8, which accompanies the Standard. The IASB has deleted one example (Example 3) as it could cause confusion in light of the amendments.

The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023 to changes in accounting policies and changes in accounting estimates that occur on or after the beginning of that period, with earlier application permitted.

Amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes—Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction

The amendments introduce a further exception from the initial recognition exemption. Under the amendments, an entity does not apply the initial recognition exemption for transactions that give rise to equal taxable and deductible temporary differences.

Depending on the applicable tax law, equal taxable and deductible temporary differences may arise on initial recognition of an asset and liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and affects neither accounting nor taxable profit. For example, this may arise upon recognition of a lease liability and the corresponding right-of-use asset applying IFRS 16 at the commencement date of a lease.

Following the amendments to IAS 12, an entity is required to recognise the related deferred tax asset and liability, with the recognition of any deferred tax asset being subject to the recoverability criteria in IAS 12.

The IASB also adds an illustrative example to IAS 12 that explains how the amendments are applied.
The amendments apply to transactions that occur on or after the beginning of the earliest comparative period presented. In addition, at the beginning of the earliest comparative period an entity recognises:

- A deferred tax asset (to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised) and a deferred tax liability for all deductible and taxable temporary differences associated with:
  - Right-of-use assets and lease liabilities;
  - Decommissioning, restoration and similar liabilities and the corresponding amounts recognised as part of the cost of the related asset.
- The cumulative effect of initially applying the amendments as an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings (or other component of equity, as appropriate) at that date.

The amendments are effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023, with earlier application permitted.

The directors of the Company anticipate that the application of these amendments may have an impact on the Group's consolidated financial statements in future periods should such transactions arise.

4 Financial risk management

(a) Introduction and overview

FCMB Group Plc as a corporate group of diverse operating assets, risk management is critical to the attainment of the Group's strategic vision and business objectives. It provides the mechanism to identify and explore growth opportunities, anticipate and manage inherent risks in operating and business environments, and ensure compliance with corporate governance standards and regulatory stipulations. Our risk management practices are integrated, structured, enterprise-wide and continuous across the Group for identifying and deciding on appropriate responses to, and reporting on opportunities and threats that may affect the achievement of the strategic business objectives. Based on its strategic business and operational objectives, the Group is exposed to a wide range of financial and non financial risks such as credit, liquidity, market, operational, strategic, regulatory, reputational, systemic and pandemic risks. It has put in place a robust risk management framework, policies and processes for the proactive identification, assessment, measurement and management of such risks to ensure that they are managed within the Board approved risk appetite whilst also complying with the regulatory requirements. The Group continually reviews its enterprise risk management framework, complementary policies and processes to ensure that they remain relevant for the various risk exposures and align with the organisational objectives. Also, the Group has developed, and periodically updates its capital management policy and capital plan to ensure that it operates within its risk capacity while balancing and optimising risks and return. The business strategy and capital plan are part of the key considerations in the development of risk appetite and they all work together to ensure the Group conducts its business in a stable equilibrium.

In line with global standards and proactive risk management practices, the Group sets the tone from the top, with a strategy that ensures that individuals who take or manage risk clearly understand it; the Group and its subsidiaries' risk exposures are within the appetites established by Board of Directors; risk taking decisions are in line with the business strategy and objectives set by the Board of Directors; the expected payoffs compensate for the risks taken; risk taking decisions are explicit and clear; and sufficient capital is

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available to take risks. Personal accountability is reinforced by the Group's values, with staff expected to act with courageous integrity in conducting their duties even as competence is developed through various training and development programs. Also, staff and other stakeholders are supported through the Group's whistle blower program, which enables them to raise concerns in a confidential manner. The whistle blower program has been outsourced to an independent body to ensure independence, confidentiality and protection of the whistle blower.

FCMB risk management philosophy

Overall, the Group's enterprise risk management (ERM) program is underpinned by a strong risk management philosophy and culture, which ensures that the risk management practices are embedded in strategy development and implementation and day-to-day activities of the Group. The Group's risk management philosophy is: "to continue to institutionalise comprehensive risk practices that enable our stakeholders build and preserve wealth while integrating our core values and beliefs group-wide to give us competitive advantage".

The following are the guiding principles that FCMB tries to entrench in its risk management process:

(a) a common standard of risk management values imbibed and consistently exhibited by everyone in the Group;

(b) consistent drive to balance risk/opportunities and return;

(c) clear and consistent communication on risks;

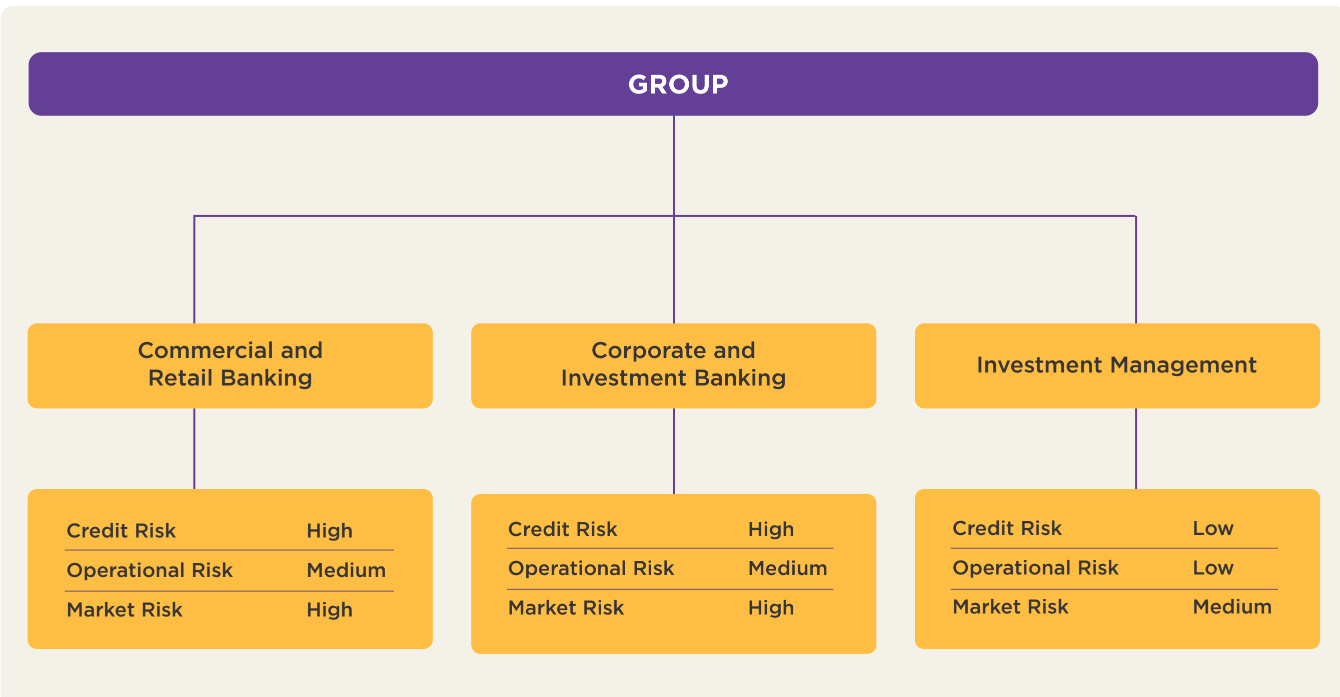
(d) a business strategy that aligns risk and accountability;

(e) the Group will always strive to understand every new product, business or any type of transaction with a view to address all the risk issues; and

(f) the Group will avoid products and businesses it does not understand.

FCMB shall seek to fully understand the risks and rewards of transactions; and only transactions that meet the Group's risk appetite and profile shall be undertaken.

The chart below provides a link between the Group's business units and their principal risk exposures. The risks have been assessed based on the relative amount of capital allocation to the various business lines and their revenue generating abilities.



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Business segments and risk exposures

The chart above represents the Group's exposure to its major risks - credit, market and operational risks on a business segment basis. The classification to high, medium and low is based on the relative amount of capital allocated to the businesses, their revenue generating abilities and operational risks inherent in their related activities and processes.

As implied from the chart, credit risk is the largest risk exposure of the Group, next to this is operational risk and then market risk. Market risk resulting from high interest environment, and the devaluation of the Naira relatively accelerated compared to the same period in the last financial year as the value of the domestic currency fell by a twelfth of its value on the official exchange rate window, from 413.49 at the beginning of the year to the U.S. dollar to 449.05 at the end of the year. This was due to pressure on the domestic currency as a result of the foreign currency paucity in the foreign exchange market. Also, the CBN monetary policy stance on interest rate has increased the uncertainty in the banking and trading book, with significant impact in the banking book – the interest rate risk in the banking book (IRRBB). The monetary authority maintained tightening monetary stance in the near term, raised its benchmark lending rate by 43.48% year on year from 11.50% to 16.50% in an aggressive push to contain the nation's inflationary pressure. The Central Bank of Nigeria continues to manage liquidity in the system using various instruments and frameworks including domestic currency redesigning but the bank maintained stable liquidity position in the year under review.

The commercial and retail banking segment and the corporate portfolio in the corprate and investment banking segment, having the largest exposure to credit risk, takes most of the capital allocation, followed by investment banking (treasury, brokerage, advisory services) and investment management (pension, asset management and trusteeship businesses). Despite the presence of counterparty risks, credit risk is low for investment banking and investment management segments. Market risk remained high in the period due to the monetary policy stance of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN). The investment management business has the least capital allocation and was adjudged to have to low risk due to the structure of its portfolios. The Group continues to identify and proactively manage its various risk exposures at both the transaction and portfolio levels, making sure that appropriate mitigants are in place for the various balance sheet exposures.

The disclosures here therefore give details of the Group's exposures to these risks and the appropriate policies and processes for managing them, including a summary of the capital management practices of the Group.

Risk management framework

The Board of FCMB Group Plc has the risk oversight role, setting and approving the risk appetite and other capital management initiatives to be implemented by the Executive Management Committee. The Boards of FCMB Group Plc. and its subsidiaries continue to align the business and risk strategies of the Group through a well-articulated appetite for all significant risks and make sure (through appropriate subcommittees) that all risk taking activities are within the set appetite or tolerance, failing which an appropriate remedial action should be taken within a reasonable period. The Board has delegated authority to the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee, one of its sub-committees, to provide the framework for managing risk exposures in the Group, ensuring that there is an alignment between the business and risk strategies. The Board Credit Committee (BCC) is another important sub-committee of the Group that has been vested with the responsibility for ensuring that its credit risk exposures are managed within the defined risk appetite. The responsibility for day-to-day management of these risks has been delegated to Executive Management through its related committees (Risk Management Committee, Management Credit Committee, Asset and Liability Committee, Investment Committee and Executive Management Committee). The Executive Management Committee coordinates the activities of its subcommittees to provide support to the Board in managing risk and ensuring that capital is adequate and optimally deployed. The Risk Committee focuses on risk governance and provides a strong forward-looking view of risks and their mitigation in order to protect against unforeseen losses and guarantee safety, soundness and stability of earnings. Additionally, the Risk Committee ensures the alignment of the reward structures and the maintenance and development of a supportive culture in relation to the management of risk, which is appropriately embedded through procedures, training and leadership actions. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Risk Committee is closely supported by the Chief Risk Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, together with other business functions within their respective areas of responsibility.

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Enterprise risk universe and governance structure.

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The illustration above highlights material risk exposures of the Group and the respective Board and Executive Management committees responsible for oversight and risk control.

A three-line of defence system is in place for the management of enterprise risks as follows:

(i) **Risk taking:** the Board of Directors, supported by Executive Management, establishes boundaries within which the Group takes risks. They also establishes an appropriate control environment, in order to align risk taking and management with business objectives. The business lines and process owners take risks and have the primary responsibility for identifying and managing such risks.

(ii) **Risk oversight:** independent control function over the business processes and related risks to ensure that business and process owners operate within defined appetite and approved policies and procedures. It is provided by functions such as risk management, internal control, compliance, and finance. These departments develop policies and procedures, risk management processes and controls, monitor and report on risks accordingly for prompt decision making. The Board of Directors also plays risk oversight role. Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee has oversight responsibility for all the risk exposures in the Group while the Board Credit Committee (BCC) is responsible for the various credit risk exposures.

(iii) **Risk assurance:** independent assurance to the Board of Directors on the effective implementation of the risk management framework and validates the risk measurement processes. There are two complementary parts to this – the internal and external audit functions. The Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee and Statutory Audit Committee are also responsible for this independent assurance and assisted in its function by the internal and external auditors.

First line of defence

(a) Board level

I. **The Board of Directors** sets the appetite for risk and ensures that senior management and individuals responsible for managing risks possess sound expertise and knowledge to undertake risk management functions within the Group. The Board of directors approves risk management policies and also has responsibility for approval of certain credit transactions that are above the approval limits of the Board Credit Committee.

II. **The Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee (BRAFC)**, supported by the subsidiaries' risk committees, provides direct oversight for enterprise risk management and acts on behalf of the Board on all risk management matters. The BRAFC ensures that all the decisions of the Board on risk management are fully implemented and that risk exposures are in line with agreed risk appetite. The committee also reviews the enterprise risk management framework on a periodic

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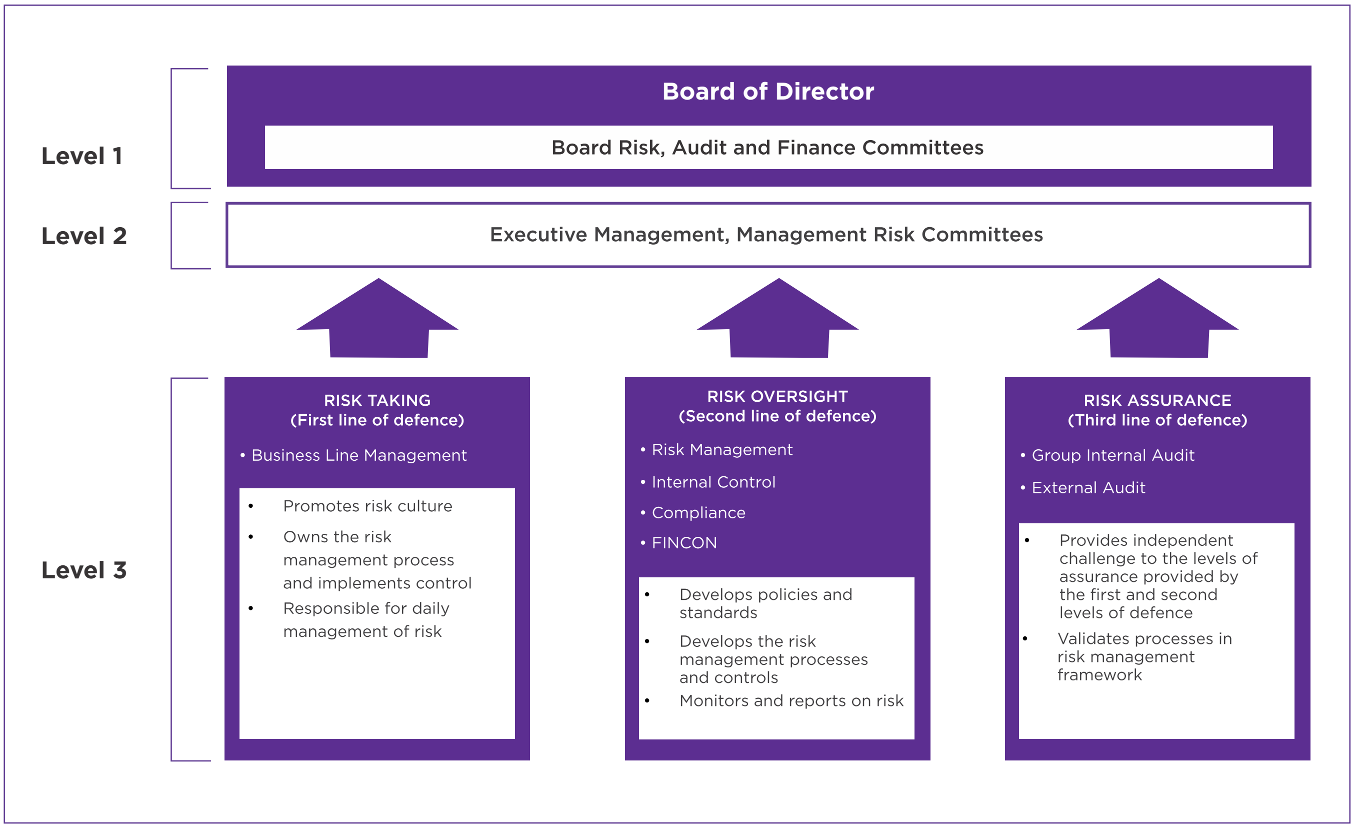
Details of the Group's three-line defence mechanism is described below:



basis to ensure its appropriateness and continued usefulness in line with the size and complexity of the exposure of the Group to risk, and compliance with regulatory requirements. The BRAFC is also responsible for assessing the adequacy and scope of internal controls, audit of the financial statements and overall compliance. The Committee meets every quarter.

III. **The Board Credit Committee's (BCC)** function is more transactional. It approves amendments to the Group's credit policy, changes in target market or risk acceptance criteria, large exposure requests within predefined limits, exceptional approvals where necessary, specific provisions, credit write-offs and remedial/ corrective measures. The BCC also reviews the credit portfolio to ensure that portfolio risk exposures such as correlation risk, concentration risk, cyclicality of collateral values and any reputational and contagion effects are reasonably managed.

(b) Executive management level

I. **The Risk Management Committee (RMC)** is a management committee, which reports to the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee and has direct responsibility for implementing the enterprise risk management framework and related policies approved by the BRAFC. The RMC meets on a periodic basis (monthly) to review all risk exposures (including key risk indicators (KRI), credit portfolio reports, market risk exposures, etc.) and recommends risk mitigating strategies/ actions. The RMC is also responsible for portfolio planning, capital management, review and management of external issues and policies affecting the business of the Group and oversight of all enterprise risk management initiatives.

II. **The Management Credit Committee (MCC)** appraises and approves loans and other credit related transactions as stated in the Group's credit policy. The committee endorses the credit policy and ensures full compliance with the Board approved credit policy. The MCC reviews and considers credit requests above the delegated approval authority of the approving officers for approval. The committee also reviews and manages portfolio risk in order for the credit portfolio to remain healthy and in compliance with the Board approved appetite and all regulatory requirements.

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III. **The Asset and Liability Committee (ALCO)** is responsible for managing the composition and pricing of the assets and liabilities, making policy decisions, and providing direction/oversight for market and liquidity risk management practices.

(c) Business unit management level

I. Business Unit Management, as a risk originator, has first line responsibility for, and ownership of risks. The business units take on risks within set boundaries and manage the risks taken on a day to day basis to protect the Group from the risk of loss.

II. Each business unit has a dedicated Operational Risk Committee responsible for reviewing critical and significant risks and recommending appropriate remedial measures. The Committee reviews the outcome of risk and control self assessment (RCSA) for their respective business units, major risk exposures as measured by their key risk indicators (KRI)/key control Indicators (KCI), agrees action plans and assigns responsibilities for resolving identified issues and exposures.

Second line of defence

Risk management is an independent control function with primary responsibility for the following:

- **Risk strategy** – development of the risk management strategy in alignment with overall growth and business strategy of the Group.
- **Risk compliance** – monitoring and reporting compliance with risk strategy, risk appetite at enterprise and business unit levels.
- **Risk advisory** – identification, measurement, management and disclosure of all significant risk exposures and providing recommendations and guidance on risk taking and exposures.
- **Risk control** – proactive management of all risks to minimize losses and capital erosion. The Group could take various control measures to address identified risk exposures such as follows:

(i) **Risk avoidance:** the Group could make decisions that will attempt to isolate it from further contact with such risks. The decision could affect a new or existing strategy, product or business. Some examples of risk avoidance include opting not to expand its branches, refusing to lend to a customer because of poor understanding of the business or industry and/or closing/relocating a branch because of high incidence of armed robbery or other operational losses. Risk avoidance could be a proactive avoidance (not going into the activity in the first place) or abandonment (dropping the activity after embarking on it).

(ii) **Risk acceptance:** the Group will acknowledge the risk. However, it will not take any measures to halt the likelihood of such a situation occurring or to minimize the risk associated with it. The Group shall adopt this approach where certain risks remain outstanding after avoidance, transfer or mitigation responses have been taken or where the risks in question are minor or unavoidable and any response is not likely to be cost-effective compared to the possible cost of bearing the risk impact.

(iii) **Risk mitigation:** the Group will acknowledge the risk and take steps to reduce the risk likelihood and/or impact. Some of the steps that can be taken to mitigate the impact or likelihood of a risk occurring include:

- formulation of policy or enhancement
- clarity and strengthening of accountabilities
- improvement of processes
- strengthening the existing controls and implementation of new measures
- education and training program
- expert advice

The mitigation steps may be directive, preventative, detective or corrective controls. Detective control entails monitoring of the activities that can lead to the incident in order to detect any early warning signal and respond to it in time.

(iv) **Risk transfer:** the Group will try to shift the burden from its shoulders to another party, who has the capacity to bear the risk. Some common practices involved in risk transfer include insurance contract, performance bonds, guarantees, warrantees and outsourcing. The relevant business unit will, however, include the new risks arising from these arrangements, such as service level performance and contract management, in its risk universe.

(v) **Risk sharing:** the Group will share the risk with another party in order to reduce any possible loss. Examples include loan syndication, joint-venture arrangement among others.

(a) The Risk Management Division

The Risk Management Division is a major line of defence in the management of risks in the Group and its subsidiaries. The division assists executive management with the identification, assessment, management, monitoring and reporting

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of all the risks within the Group. It recommends appropriate risk management polices for the consideration and approval of the Board through the various executive risk management committees, and coordinates the Group's ERM activities. Key responsibilities of the division include:

a) champion the implementation of the enterprise risk management framework, (including specific risk management frameworks and policies) and other related initiatives across the Group and its subsidiaries;

b) facilitate the identification, assessment, monitoring, management and reporting of risk exposures in the Group and its subsidiaries;

c) collect, process, verify, monitor and distribute risk information across the Group, including to the senior management, the Board, regulators and other stakeholders;

d) collaborate with market facing units in designing new products;

e) provide senior management with practical, cost effective recommendations for mitigating risks;

f) act as a key contact for senior management who may wish to request ad hoc reviews and investigations;

g) ensure that laws, regulations and supervisory requirements are complied with including consequence management;

h) provide holistic view of risks across the Group and its subsidiaries;

i) maintain oversight over the Group's enterprise risk management activities; coordinate material risk assessment and link the results of the exercise with the internal capital adequacy assessment process (ICAAP);

j) ensure all risk models utilised for the measurement of risk across the Group are properly validated using an appropriate methodology;

k) oversee the conduct of stress testing and scenario analysis and evaluate the impact of stress scenarios on the capital ratios;

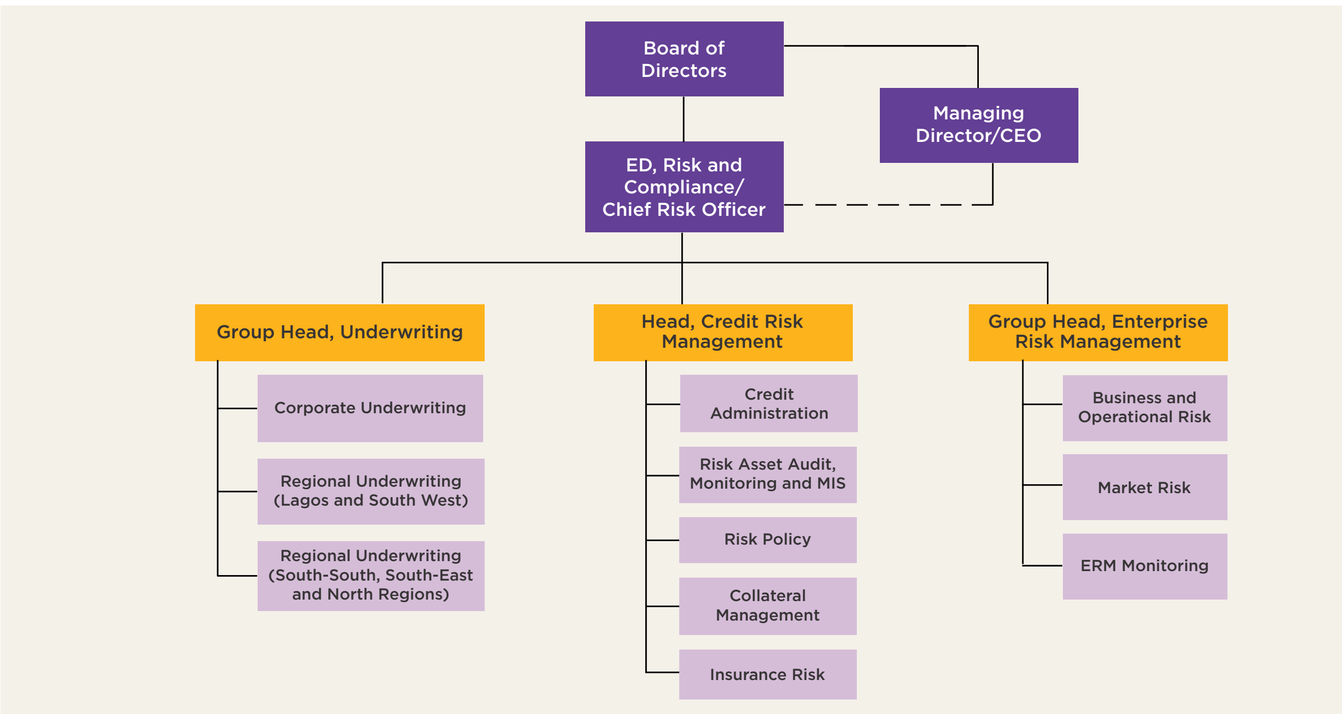
l) coordinates with Financial Control regarding the Group's capital management policies;

m) make recommendations with respect to capital allocation, pricing and reward/ sanctions based on risk reports; and

n) provide and promote risk awareness and education on risk.

The Risk Management Division of the Group serves as competency center and internal consultant in risk management methodology.

The organisational structure of the Risk Management Division is shown in the diagram below:



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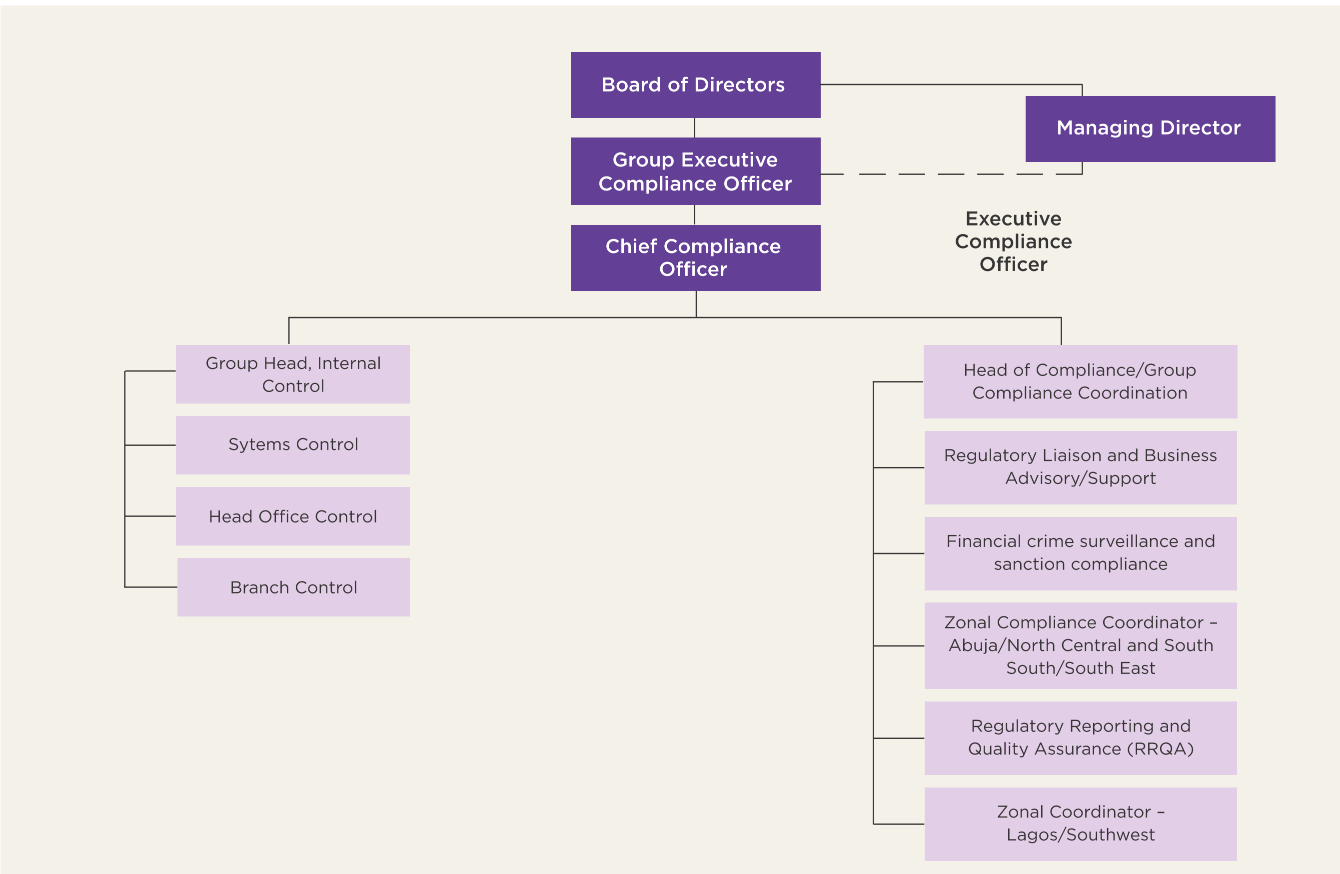
The Group also has a robust Collection and Recovery team, which reports to the Business, with dotted reporting line to Risk Management Division. The department compliments the post-disbursement monitoring responsibilities through effective enforcement of credit covenants and approval terms.

(b) Compliance and Internal Control Division

The Internal Control Division is primarily charged with the following:

- Internal control is directly responsible for enforcing and confirming compliance with group-wide policies, procedures and internal controls. It conducts routine control checks across all businesses and processes. It is responsible for effective and efficient control environment that ensures minimal operational losses from frauds, errors, operational gaps, and other irregularities. It monitors control activities and ensure compliance with minimum control standards defined by the Board. The Internal Control works hand-in hand with the Compliance team.
- The Compliance team ensures the Group fully complies with the spirit and letter of laws, corporate governance standards, all regulatory requirements such as Know Your Customer (KYC), Anti-Money Laundering (AML) regulations and indeed all requirements of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and other authorities such as Nigerian Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC), Securities and Exchange Commission, Nigerian Stock Exchange, National Pension Commission, National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA), among others.

The Compliance and Internal Control Division is functionally structured as shown in the chart below:



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(c) Group Finance Division

- Group Finance Division develops the Group's strategic and capital plan and clearly outlines the actual and projected capital needs, anticipated capital expenditure and desired level of capital.
- It reviews the Group's capital structure and ensures the desired level of capital adequacy in the Group.
- It drives all activities relating to the Group's responses to any proposed regulatory change that might affect the Group's capital and provides all necessary information on portfolio, product and profitability metrics and any analysis to support the material risk assessment process.

Third line of defence

(a) Internal audit

Group Internal Audit provides independent assessment of the adequacy of, and compliance with, the Group's established policies and procedures. The function is responsible, amongst others, for monitoring compliance with the enterprise risk management framework, and validating the adequacy and efficacy of risk assessment systems (including rating and measurement models).

(b) External audit

External Auditors apart from establishing whether the financial statements reflect a true and fair position of the organisation, also have an important impact on the quality of internal controls through their audit activities and recommendations for improvement of internal controls. Our external auditors have been helpful in providing guidance on new developments in risk management, corporate governance and financial accounting and controls.

(c) Board

The Board Risk, Audit and Finance (BRAFC) Committee also serves as part of the independent assurance group and assisted in its role by the internal and external auditors.

Risk appetite

Risk appetite is an expression of the level and type of risks the Group is willing to accept/retain for a given risk-reward ratio in order to achieve its strategic goals. In FCMB, risk appetite is set by the Board of Directors and enforced by the Risk Management Division. It is a key component of the risk management framework and central to the annual planning process. This appetite guides all risk exposures of the Group - management risks (strategic and reputational risks), chosen risks such as credit and market risks and risks inadvertently assumed by the Business Groups (consequential risks such as operational risks).

The Group has a well developed risk appetite, prepared to establish a common understanding amongst all employees and other stakeholders regarding the desirable risks underlying execution of its strategy. It represents the combined view of the FCMB leadership and the governance bodies. The risk appetite is not intended to "handcuff" management but to become a benchmark for discussing the implications of pursuing value creation opportunities as they arise. It therefore defines boundary within which the Group is expected to operate when pursuing its strategy by aligning risk and decision-making. It provides a cornerstone for the Group's Enterprise Risk Management Framework, setting a clear strategic direction and tolerances around controls.

FCMB general risk appetite statement

FCMB as a financial service Group is exposed to a variety of risks as it strives to achieve its strategic objectives. These risks will be managed in accordance with the Group's Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Framework and related policies. The Group's general risk appetite is a moderate one that allows us to maintain appropriate growth, profitability, earnings stability and capital adequacy while ensuring regulatory compliance, being an employer of choice, and serving the communities in our footprint".

Apart from the general risk appetite statement, the Group also has specific risk appetite statements defined around its strategic objectives with defined metrics to track them. This is to ensure that the specific risk appetite statements are in sync with the business strategy of the Group.

The Group has a detailed risk appetite framework which also defines risk appetite around major strategic business units (Personal Banking; Investment Banking; SMEs; Commercial Banking; Investment Management; Corporate Banking and Public Sector). In addition, risk metrics are also defined around material risk areas such as:

- Profitability
- Credit and concentration risk
- Market and liquidity risk
- Operational risk
- Legal risk
- Cyber security risk
- Regulatory risk
- Reputational risk

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Benefit of FCMB risk appetite framework and statements:

- sets the foundation for the risk culture of the Group;
- helps to communicate the Board's vision in practical terms;
- guides all staff in their decision-making on all risk related activities;
- helps to ensure an alignment between the expectations of the Board and the business; and
- serves as a benchmark for monitoring and reporting of abnormal events or exposures.

In FCMB, all risk appetite metrics are tracked and reported monthly to the Risk Management Committee (RMC) to aid its oversight responsibilities. The Risk Management Division monitors the risk metrics on a more regular basis to make certain that risk exposures are within the approved boundaries. Exposures that are outside of set boundaries are investigated to understand the underlying causes and consider ways to mitigate or avoid them within the shortest possible period.

The Group's risk appetite is reviewed at least once a year or more frequently as may be required in the event of significant and material changes in its strategy or in line with regulatory requirements or other external demands.

(b) Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that the Group may not be able to recover funds and suffer losses because a customer or counterparty is unable or unwilling to meet contractual obligations to the Group as and when due. It is the most significant risk to the Group.

The Group takes on credit risk through the following principal activities:

- **Lending/leasing:** the Group grants credit to its customers (loans, advances, temporary overdraft, etc.) or finances a lease or grants an advance or a loan to its employees (staff loan, cash advance, etc.).
- **Bank guarantees:** the Group issues bonds and guarantees (contingent exposure)
- **Trading (fixed income, foreign currency trading, etc.) activities:** the Group engages in trading activities where the exchange of monetary value and transfer of ownership of purchased assets is not simultaneous. There is counterparty risk, which creates a bilateral risk of loss.

The Group uses its internal ratings system to assess the risk of default (probability that a customer will become 90 days past due on an obligation) and the risk of loss in the event of default (the estimated size of loss the Group will incur in the event of a default). The Group's credit risk rating systems and processes differentiate exposures in order to highlight those with greater risk factors and higher potential severity of loss. This provides predictive capability for assessing borrower's likelihood of default and the acceptable risk mitigants required to cushion residual credit risks for each transaction.

Our ratings framework measures the following key components:

- **financial factors:** sales terms and conditions, strength of operations, liquidity and capital in addition to debt service capacity;
- **industry:** structure, performance, economic sensitivity and outlook;
- **management:** quality (ownership experience, skills and turnover) and company standing (reputation, ownership and credit history); and
- **security and collateral arrangements:** seniority of debt, ability to cancel debt at the point of default and loss given default (LGD) computation for each security and collateral type supporting the exposure.

The above components help the Group to establish the following:

Obligor Risk Rating (ORR), mapped to an estimated probability default (PD). The PD validation is done internally to ensure the rating continues to be predictive of default and differentiates borrowers based on their ability to service their obligations. This will be further reinforced with a rating validation/back testing.

Facility Risk Rating (FRR) for each transaction is mapped to Basel II Loss Given Defaults (LGDs) grades.

Both the ORR and FRR produce the Expected Loss % (EL), which is the product of the PD and LGD.i.e. EL =f(PD, LDG) . The EL represents the risk premium, which is useful for transaction pricing under the Risk-Based pricing.

The use of internal ratings system is strategic for the Group. The internal ratings system will ultimately be used for capital computation under the Internal Ratings Based Approach - Foundation IRB and Advanced IRB and the allocation of capital/computation of economic profit across business lines based on Basel II principles.

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The Group's internal rating scale and mapping to external ratings as at 31 December 2022:

Internal Rating Scale	Description	External Rating Scale (Moody's)	External Rating Scale (S&P)
AAA	Investment grade	Aaa	AAA
AA		Aa1	AA+
AA-		Aa2	AA
A+		Aa3	AA-
A		A1	A+
A-		A2	A
BBB+		A3	A-
BBB		Baa1 / Baa2	BBB+/BBB
BBB-	Permissible grade	Baa3 / Ba1	BBB-/BB+
BB+		Ba2	BB
BB		Ba3	BB-
BB-		B1	B+
CCC+	Speculative grade	B2	B
CCC		B3	B-
CCC-		B3	B-
CC+		Caa1	CCC+
CC		Caa2	CCC
C+		Caa3	CCC-
C	Lower speculative grade	Caa3	CCC-
C-		D	NA

Rating description

Rating grade	Description	Characteristics
Investment grade	Obligor's capacity to meet its financial commitment on its obligation is extremely strong.	- Very low default risk. - Minimal susceptibility to economic conditions and changes in circumstances.
Permissible grade	Indicate that the borrower in this have the capacity to meet financial obligations, but with grade below the investment grade.	- Moderate credit risk profile. - Elevated vulnerability to default risk, particularly in the event of adverse changes in business or economic conditions over time. - Business or financial flexibility exists which supports the servicing of financial commitments.
Speculative grade	Indicate that the borrower is less likely to be able to pay back its financial obligations than a borrower with a permissible and investment-grade rating.	- High credit risk profile. - Obligor will likely have some quality and protective characteristics, but these may be outweighed by large uncertainties or major exposures to adverse conditions. - Vulnerable to adverse business, financial and economic conditions but currently has the capacity to meet financial commitments.
Lower speculative grade	Indicate that the likelihood of the borrower in meeting its financial obligation is strongly in doubt.	- Very high credit risk profile. - Highly vulnerable to non-payment, and ultimate recovery is expected to be lower than that of higher rated obligations.

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Management of credit risk

The Group manages its credit risk through an appropriate assessment, management and reporting process, underpinned by sound credit risk systems, policies and well qualified personnel. A combination of risk management tools and policies are adopted to stimulate the creation of quality risk assets. It is managed centrally by various departments within the Risk Management Division who have responsibilities for policy setting and review, credit underwriting, approval, credit administration, monitoring and portfolio management.

The credit risk management function of the Group, which rides on a sound credit culture is achieved through a combination of the following:

Appropriate credit policies: the Group develops appropriate risk management policies in conjunction with the business units and other stakeholders, covering all the key areas of credit origination, management, collection, portfolio management, etc. whilst also ensuring compliance with all regulatory requirements. The credit policies reinforce all the Group's lending and credit management decisions. The credit risk policies are reviewed periodically to ensure they remain relevant and robust enough to address existing and emerging credit risk exposures.

Lending driven by internal rating system: the Group's lending and policy enforcement is driven by an internal rating system, with scorecards built for different classes of customers such as corporate, commercial, small and medium enterprises (SME), public sector, retail, etc. The rating of obligors and transactions has been useful in the quantification of credit risk and underwriting decision, including serving as a guide for pricing, portfolio management and computation of required capital to support the different business lines.

Establishment of credit approval limits and authorities: there are various approval limits for different kinds of credit exposures and approval authorities, including the risk committees such as the Management Credit Committee (MCC), the Board Credit Committee (BCC) and the full Board. These limits are also guided by statutory impositions such as the single obligor limit and other concentration limits set by the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN). The Group's single obligor limit is benchmarked to the regulatory cap of 20% of shareholder's funds unimpaired by loses. The sector limits are set based on the perceived riskiness of each sector but the Government exposures are capped at the regulatory limit of 10% of total loans.

In response to observed market realities and in order to enhance corporate governance, improve credit culture, tighten risk acceptance criteria (RAC) and strengthen credit approval and management process, the Group revised its credit policy. The revised credit policy, with the RAC, which reflects the Group's risk appetite aids underwriting decisions, improve turnaround time and quality of the credit portfolio

In order to further strengthen its credit process, the Group has differentiated the approval route for its corporate and commercial credits from retail credits. Credit approval for each area is supervised by well experienced personnel referred to as Senior Credit Underwriters who also function as Senior Credit Officers and are members of the Management Credit Committee.

Loan monitoring and reviews: the various loans are monitored both at transaction and portfolio levels to ensure a balanced and healthy portfolio in line with the portfolio development and balancing strategy of the Group.

Collateral review, monitoring and management: the Legal department reviews the collateral proposed by customers as part of the credit approval process to determine acceptability of the collateral. Beyond the initial assessment at the point of credit origination however, the Group also has a good collateral management review process in place in order to reduce the risk of loss in the event of default. Our collateral management practices have helped to reduce the estimated expected loss and capital charge on transactions. Collateral management in the Group includes periodic evaluation of coverage for each facility type; mark-to-market for stocks and commodities, revaluation benchmark for properties and acceptable standards for eligibility on all forms of collateral.

The principal collateral types eligible as security and used primarily to mitigate transaction risk include the following: cash and marketable securities; legal mortgage; all assets debenture; account receivables of highly rated obligors. Other admissible collateral (accepted for comfort only but not eligible as credit risk mitigants) include domiciliation agreements, trust receipts and negative pledges.

Another mitigant used to reduce the risk of credit exposures is master netting agreements with obligors that have investments in liability products so that in the event of default, exposures to the obligor will be settled on a net basis. These agreements are executed by the representatives of the obligor and are generally enforceable with no further recourse to the obligor or a third party.

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Generally, all the contingent liabilities are also supported by tangible collaterals or a charge over the underlying goods depending on the assessment of the performance risks.

Limit concentrations for various exposures: the Group complies with the concentration policy of the CBN as specified in the prudential guidelines and is even more prudent, having internal limits that are more stringent in some cases than specified by the apex regulatory authority. The limit concentration policy of the Group covers all forms of exposures such as customers, large exposures, counterparties, collateral, geography, sector, products, rating band and facility type, among others.

Developing and maintaining the Group's process for measuring expected credit loss (ECL):

This includes processes for:

- initial approval, regular validation and back-testing of the models used; and
- incorporation of forward-looking information.

Reviewing compliance of business units: with agreed exposure limits, including those for selected industries, country risk and product types. Regular reports on the credit quality of local portfolios are provided, which may require appropriate corrective action to be taken. These include reports containing estimates of ECL allowances.

Reporting: An important part of the group's risk management framework is reporting to ensure that all vital information are brought to the attention of stakeholders, appropriate decisions are taken to further improve the risk culture and ultimately ensure all identified issues are brought within the Board approved risk appetite. This internal reporting has imposed discipline within the Group, thereby improving its risk management culture. Monitoring and reporting looks at specific transactions that are challenged or vulnerable as well the entire portfolio.

In line with the Group's three-line defence mechanism, each of the business units has primary responsibility for managing the credit relationships with customers, hence responsible for the quality and performance of their credit portfolio. Risk management Division however continues to provide oversight for the entire credit portfolio and all credit relationships whilst ensuring that the businesses operate within the approved framework and policies. It is assisted in this role by Internal Control, which does a regular post disbursement check to ensure that credits booked comply with the approved policies and that they continue to operate within approved conditions and guidelines. The Internal Audit function provides independent assurance for the entire credit process of the Group.

Portfolio segmentation

Impairment approach under IFRS 9 requires the Group to segment its portfolio based on risk profiles. The Group has adopted a portfolio segmentation strategy that provides balance between homogeneity of characteristics and adequate population size to minimize volatility of extrapolations.

The table below contains the portfolio classification that achieved the balance sought by the Group and the description of the contents of each portfolio class. Portfolio classifications remain dynamic and will vary in line with management's view of the Group's risk and risk appetite.

(i) Consumer facilities portfolio

- Consumer facilities, large in count but low value loans.
- These are salary based loans for customers whose salaries are domiciled in the commercial and retail banking segment of the Group and group lending facilities for the bottom of the pyramid for micro-business owners.
- Portfolio is broken down into asset backed and non-asset backed loans.

(ii) Corporate facilities portfolio

- Large Corporates and financial institutions facilities.
- Customers with strong corporate governance and reliable audited financial statements.
- Customer's information is obtained through periodic review of individual customer's audited financial statement, management account, budget and projections. Data from credit reference and credit ratings are also available.

(iii) SME facilities portfolio

- Small and Medium enterprises.
- Corporate governance is considered weak, financials are not reliable.
- Customers in this class are easily affected by macro-economic shocks.

(iv) Public sector facility portfolio

- Facilities to government entities.
- High political risk and repayment is dependent on government funding.

(v) Employee loans portfolio

- Facilities granted to staff of the Group.
- Full visibility of repayment source being staff salary.
- Concessionary interest rate.

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The following table sets out information about the credit quality of financial assets measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income debt instruments. Unless, specifically indicated, for financial assets, the amounts in the table represent gross carrying amounts.

For loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts, the amounts in the table represent the amounts committed or guaranteed, respectively. Explanation of the terms: stage 1 (12-month ECL), stage 2 (lifetime ECL) and stage 3 (credit impaired) are included in Note 3(k)(vii).

Exposure to credit risk

GROUP

	12-month	31 DEC 2022			
In thousands of Naira	PD ranges	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Consumer facilities portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	22,277,250	2,024,594	4,489,698	28,791,542
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	154,659,935	106,209	4,291,958	159,058,102
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**176,937,185**	**2,130,803**	**8,781,656**	**187,849,644**
Loss allowance		(2,666,645)	(51,175)	(5,982,033)	(8,699,853)
Carrying amount		**174,270,540**	**2,079,628**	**2,799,623**	**179,149,791**
Corporate facilities portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	86,852,327	-	-	86,852,327
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	205,350,020	24,862,598	22,868	230,235,486
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	171,616,227	232,046,497	19,750,865	423,413,589
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**463,818,574**	**256,909,095**	**19,773,733**	**740,501,402**
Loss allowance		(7,654,969)	(10,164,684)	(1,609,816)	(19,429,469)
Carrying amount		**456,163,605**	**246,744,411**	**18,163,917**	**721,071,933**
SME facilities portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	15,885,373	-	-	15,885,373
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	57,392,493	-	-	57,392,493
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	185,732,876	12,082,525	20,093,370	217,908,771
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**259,010,742**	**12,082,525**	**20,093,370**	**291,186,637**
Loss allowance		(5,126,147)	(1,396,225)	(13,162,965)	(19,685,337)
Carrying amount		**253,884,595**	**10,686,300**	**6,930,405**	**271,501,300**
Public sector facility portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	13,950,263	-	-	13,950,263
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	5,084,591	-	900,669	5,985,260
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**19,034,854**	**-**	**900,669**	**19,935,523**
Loss allowance		(2,295,058)	-	(685,889)	(2,980,947)
Carrying amount		**16,739,796**	**-**	**214,780**	**16,954,576**
Employee loans portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	7,070,492	8,750	187,197	7,266,439
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**7,070,492**	**8,750**	**187,197**	**7,266,439**
Loss allowance		(133,279)	(1,769)	(182,405)	(317,453)
Carrying amount		**6,937,213**	**6,981**	**4,792**	**6,948,986**
Gross carrying amount		**925,871,847**	**271,131,173**	**49,736,625**	**1,246,739,645**
Loss allowance		(17,876,098)	(11,613,853)	(21,623,108)	(51,113,059)
Carrying amount		**907,995,749**	**259,517,320**	**28,113,517**	**1,195,626,586**

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Exposure to credit risk

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	12-month PD ranges	31 DEC 2021 Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Consumer facilities portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	1,859,966	-	-	1,859,966
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	30,215,741	886,457	4,076,000	135,178,198
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**132,075,707**	**886,457**	**4,076,000**	**137,038,164**
Loss allowance		(3,941,919)	(184,887)	(3,044,783)	(7,171,589)
Carrying amount		**128,133,788**	**701,570**	**1,031,217**	**129,866,575**
Corporate facilities portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	55,264,692	-	-	55,264,692
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	167,148,564	14,647,022	143,343	181,938,929
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	207,379,711	214,627,249	17,605,541	439,612,501
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**429,792,967**	**229,274,271**	**17,748,884**	**676,816,122**
Loss allowance		(7,120,322)	(6,769,583)	(8,839,431)	(22,729,336)
Carrying amount		422,672,645	222,504,688	8,909,453	654,086,786
SME facilities portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	23,968	-	-	23,968
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	88,894,949	19,119	772,652	89,686,720
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	130,720,391	4,757,553	21,895,647	157,373,591
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**219,639,308**	**4,776,672**	**22,668,299**	**247,084,279**
Loss allowance		(6,096,433)	(76,271)	(12,438,827)	(18,611,531)
Carrying amount		**213,542,875**	**4,700,401**	**10,229,472**	**228,472,748**
Public sector facility portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	40,163,850	-	-	40,163,850
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	8,072,306	35	134	8,072,475
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**48,236,156**	**35**	**134**	**48,236,325**
Loss allowance		(475,997)	(23)	(84)	(476,104)
Carrying amount		**47,760,159**	**12.00**	**50**	**47,760,221**
Employee loans portfolio					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	3,790,477	4,046	188,207	3,982,730
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**3,790,477**	**4,046**	**188,207**	**3,982,730**
Loss allowance		(462,821)	(898)	(116,149)	(579,868)
Carrying amount		**3,327,656**	**3,148**	**72,058**	**3,402,862**
Gross carrying amount		**833,534,615**	**234,941,481**	**44,681,524**	**1,113,157,620**
Loss allowance		(18,097,492)	(7,031,662)	(24,439,274)	(49,568,428)
Carrying amount		**815,437,123**	**227,909,819**	**20,242,250**	**1,063,589,192**

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Credit risk exposure relating to loan commitments and financial guarantee contracts.

GROUP

	31 DEC 2022			
In thousands of Naira	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Performance bonds and guarantees	178,201,810	-	-	178,201,810
Clean line letters of credit	128,712,165	-	-	128,712,165
Loan commitments	3,869,461	-	-	3,869,461
Other commitments	11,787	-		11,787
Gross carrying amount	**310,795,223**	**-**	**-**	**310,795,223**
Loss allowance	(2,022,467)	-	-	(2,022,467)
Carrying amount	**308,772,756**	**-**	**-**	**308,772,756**

	31 DEC 2021			
In thousands of Naira	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Performance bonds and guarantees	141,733,924	-	-	141,733,924
Clean line letters of credit	135,225,605	-	-	135,225,605
Loan commitments	3,817,000	52,461	-	3,869,461
Other commitments	349,643	-		349,643
Gross carrying amount	**281,126,172**	**52,461**	**-**	**281,178,633**
Loss allowance	(1,865,680)	(25,000)	-	(1,890,680)
Carrying amount	**279,260,492**	**27,461**	**-**	**279,287,953**

Credit risk exposure relating to other financial assets

GROUP

	12-month	31 DEC 2022			
In thousands of Naira	PD ranges	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents					
Investment grade	0.00 – 0.59	26,468,690	-	-	26,468,690
Permissible grade	0.60 –11.34	221,042,190	-	-	221,042,190
Speculative grade	11.35–99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**247,510,880**	**-**	**-**	**247,510,880**
Loss allowance		(25,257)	-	-	(25,257)
Carrying amount		**247,485,623**	**-**	**-**	**247,485,623**
Restricted reserve deposits					
Investment grade	0.00 – 0.59	493,359,709	-	-	493,359,709
Permissible grade	0.60 –11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35–99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**493,359,709**	**-**	**-**	**493,359,709**
Non-pledged trading assets					
Investment grade	0.00 – 0.59	160,730,775	-	-	160,730,775
Permissible grade	0.60 –11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35–99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**160,730,775**	**-**	**-**	**160,730,775**

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Credit risk exposure relating to other financial assets

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	12-month PD ranges	31 DEC 2021 Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	48,930,395	-	-	48,930,395
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	313,799,430	-	-	313,799,430
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**362,729,825**	**-**	**-**	**362,729,825**
Loss allowance		(29,742)	-	-	(29,742)
Carrying amount		**362,700,083**	**-**	**-**	**362,700,083**
Restricted reserve deposits					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	329,739,147	-	-	329,739,147
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**329,739,147**	**-**	**-**	**329,739,147**
Non-pledged trading assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	41,538,274	-	-	41,538,274
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**41,538,274**	**-**	**-**	**41,538,274**

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GROUP

	12-month	31 DEC 2022			
In thousands of Naira	PD ranges	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Assets pledged as collateral					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	79,009,207	-	-	79,009,207
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**79,009,207**	**-**	**-**	**79,009,207**
Investment securities at amortised cost					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	237,354,346	-	-	237,354,346
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	19,422,451	-	2,030,131	21,452,582
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**256,776,797**	**-**	**2,030,131**	**258,806,928**
Loss allowance		(908,992)	-	(2,030,131)	(2,939,123)
Carrying amount		**255,867,805**	**-**	**-**	**255,867,805**
Investment securities at FVOCI - debt instruments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	231,092,599	-	-	231,092,599
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**231,092,599**	**-**	**-**	**231,092,599**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**231,092,599**	**-**	**-**	**231,092,599**
Investment securities at FVOCI - quoted equity investments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	105,414	-	-	105,414
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**105,414**	**-**	**-**	**105,414**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**105,414**	**-**	**-**	**105,414**
Investment securities at FVOCI - unquoted equity investments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	37,507,207	-	-	37,507,207
Gross carrying amount		**37,507,207**	**-**	**-**	**37,507,207**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**37,507,207**	**-**	**-**	**37,507,207**
Other financial assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	161,964,144	-	-	161,964,144
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	25,334,336	13,137,146	12,160,061	50,631,543
Gross carrying amount		**187,298,480**	**13,137,146**	**12,160,061**	**212,595,687**
Loss allowance		(8,097,010)	(8,527,130)	(12,160,061)	(28,784,201)
Carrying amount		**179,201,470**	**4,610,016**	**-**	**183,811,486**

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In thousands of Naira	12-month PD ranges	31 DEC 2021 Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Assets pledged as collateral					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	115,456,683	-	-	115,456,683
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**115,456,683**	**-**	**-**	**115,456,683**
Investment securities at amortised cost					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	133,096,771	-	-	133,096,771
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	40,810,132	-	1,818,577	42,628,709
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**173,906,903**	**-**	**1,818,577**	**175,725,480**
Loss allowance		(1,024,380)	-	(1,818,577)	(2,842,957)
Carrying amount		**172,882,523**	**-**	**-**	**172,882,523**
Investment securities at FVOCI - debt instruments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	172,884,325	-	-	172,884,325
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**172,884,325**	**-**	**-**	**172,884,325**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**172,884,325**	**-**	**-**	**172,884,325**
Investment securities at FVOCI - quoted equity investments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	92,776	-	-	92,776
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**92,776**	**-**	**-**	**92,776**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**92,776**	**-**	**-**	**92,776**
Investment securities at FVOCI - unquoted equity investments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	26,688,710	-	-	26,688,710
Gross carrying amount		**26,688,710**	**-**	**-**	**26,688,710**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**26,688,710**	**-**	**-**	**26,688,710**
Other financial assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	113,987,036	10,430,012	18,559,809	142,976,857
Gross carrying amount		**113,987,036**	**10,430,012**	**18,559,809**	**142,976,857**
Loss allowance		(1,149,533)	(1,500,000)	(18,559,809)	(21,209,342)
Carrying amount		**112,837,503**	**8,930,012**	**-**	**121,767,515**

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In thousands of Naira	12-month PD ranges	31 DEC 2022 Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	30,607	-	-	30,607
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**30,607**	**-**	**-**	**30,607**
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**30,607**	**-**	**-**	**30,607**
Restricted reserve deposits					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Non-pledged trading assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Assets pledged as collateral					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Investment securities at amortised cost					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	4,335,956	-	-	4,335,956
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	3,883,618	-	-	3,883,618
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**8,219,574**	**-**	**-**	**8,219,574**
Loss allowance		(196,066)	-	-	(196,066)
Carrying amount		**8,023,508**	**-**	**-**	**8,023,508**
Investment securities at FVOCI - debt instruments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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	12-month	31 DEC 2021			
In thousands of Naira	PD ranges	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	621,755	-	-	621,755
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount	**621,755**	**-**	**-**	**621,755**	
Loss allowance		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount	**621,755**	**-**	**-**	**621,755**	
Restricted reserve deposits					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Non-pledged trading assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Assets pledged as collateral					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Investment securities at amortised cost					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	1,257,583	-	-	1,257,583
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	3,400,459	-	-	3,400,459
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Gross carrying amount	**4,658,042**	**-**	**-**	**4,658,042**	
Loss allowance	(168,397)	-	-	(168,397)	
Carrying amount	**4,489,645**	**-**	**-**	**4,489,645**	
Investment securities at FVOCI - debt instruments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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	12-month	31 DEC 2022			
In thousands of Naira	**PD ranges**	**Stage 1**	**Stage 2**	**Stage 3**	**Total**
Investment securities at FVOCI - unquoted equity investments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated		-	-	-	-
Carrying amount		**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Other financial assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	6,426,859	-	-	6,426,859
Gross carrying amount		**6,426,859**	**-**	**-**	**6,426,859**
Loss allowance		(92,187)	-	-	(92,187)
Carrying amount		**6,334,672**	**-**	**-**	**6,334,672**

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	12-month	31 DEC 2021			
In thousands of Naira	**PD ranges**	**Stage 1**	**Stage 2**	**Stage 3**	**Total**
Investment securities at FVOCI - unquoted equity investments					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	-	-	-	
Carrying amount	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	
Other financial assets					
Investment grade	0.00 - 0.59	-	-	-	-
Permissible grade	0.60 -11.34	-	-	-	-
Speculative grade	11.35-99.99	-	-	-	-
Lower speculative grade	100.00	-	-	-	-
Unrated	-	7,928,572	-	-	7,928,572
Gross carrying amount	**7,928,572**	**-**	**-**	**7,928,572**	
Loss allowance	(92,187)	-	-	(92,187)	
Carrying amount	**7,836,385**	**-**	**-**	**7,836,385**	

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Loans with renegotiated terms and the forbearance policy

The Group may renegotiate loans when there is a material change in the customer's financial position, operating dynamics, industry and environment or anything that gives reasonable doubt that the debt may not be repaid or serviced as and when due. This is usually done through concessions, which agree new terms and conditions that are more favourable to the borrower in order to increase the chance of collection and recovery and thereby reduce the risk of default. Renegotiation of terms may take forms such as extension of tenor, reduction of pricing, introduction of moratorium or restructuring of facility from one form to the other (e.g. overdraft to term loan) or other forms of amendments to the terms and conditions earlier contracted with the customer. The objective of renegotiation is to ensure recovery of the outstanding obligations and the request could be at the instance of the customer or the Group.

The table below provide the summary information for financial assets with lifetime ECL whose cash flows were modified during the year ended 31 December 2022 as part of the Group's restructuring activities and their respective effect on the Group's financial performance.

	GROUP	
	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Amortised cost before modification	242,304,737	179,710,888
Net modification (loss)	(2,074,601)	(3,573,358)

	COMPANY	
	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Amortised cost before modification	-	-
Net modification (loss)	-	-

Write-off policy

The Group has a write-off policy approved by the Board of Directors which also meets the requirements as specified in the prudential guidelines of the Central Bank of Nigeria for deposit money banks.

In line with the Group's approved write-off policy, the Management Credit Committee (MCC) may authorize a write-off of outstanding balances on a loan account, where it is apparent that the exposure may not be recovered from any of the available repayment sources. However, the Group must have fully provided for the facility and such credits must also receive the approval of the board of directors.

The approval process for write-off is as follows:

- The Loan Recovery Unit originates the write-off requests;
- Credit Risk Management obtains the approval of the Management Credit Committee (MCC) and the Board Credit Committee (BCC) for the request;
- All write-offs must be ratified by the full Board; and
- Credit Risk Management sends notification of the balances approved for write-off to the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN).

The write-off must also satisfy the following requirements of Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN):

- The facility must have been in the Group's book for at least one year after the full provision;
- There should be evidence of Board approval;
- If the facility is insider or related party credit, the approval of CBN is required; and
- The fully provisioned facility is appropriately disclosed in the audited financial statement of the Group.

A gross loan amount of N22.5billion which were impaired were written off during year ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: N10.18billion) for the Group.

Collateral held and other credit enhancements and their financial effects

The Group also has a good collateral management policy in place to reduce the risk of loss in the event of default. Our collateral management policy is linked to the internal ratings framework and has helped to reduce the estimated expected loss and capital charge on transactions.

The Group holds collateral and other types of credit enhancements against its credit exposures. The table below gives the principal collateral types eligible as security and used primarily to mitigate transaction risk.

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Type of credit exposure	Principal type of collateral held for secured lending	Percentage of exposure that is subject to an arrangement that requires collaterisation	
		31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Loans and advances to banks			
Reverse sale and purchase agreements	Marketable securities	100	100
Security borrowing	Marketable securities	100	100
Loans and advances to retail customers			
Mortgage lending	Residential property	100	100
Personal loans	None	-	-
Credit cards	None	-	-
Loans and advances to corporate customers			
Finance leases	Property and equipment	100	100
Other lending to corporate customers	Legal mortgage, mortgage debenture, fixed and floating charges over corporate assets, account receivables	90	90
Reverse sale and repurchase agreements	Marketable securities	100	100
Investment debt securities	None	-	-

Other admissible credit risk mitigants (accepted for comfort only) but not eligible as collateral include domiciliation agreements, trust receipts, negative pledges and master netting agreements with obligors that have investments in liabilities. The Group typically does not hold collateral against investment securities, and no such collateral was held at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021.

Details of collateral held and the value of collateral as at 31 December 2022 are as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	Total exposure	Value of collateral	Total exposure	Value of collateral
Secured against real estate	116,202,109	371,523,816	-	-
Secured by shares of quoted and unquoted companies	18,846,492	21,520,113	-	-
Cash collateral	106,938,512	118,234,215	-	-
Fixed and floating assets	596,713,337	4,297,071,460	-	-
Otherwise secured	348,503,762	-	-	-
Unsecured	59,535,433	-	-	-
	1,246,739,645	**4,808,349,604**	**-**	**-**

Details of collateral held and their carrying amounts as at 31 December 2021 are as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	Total exposure	Value of collateral	Total exposure	Value of collateral
Secured against real estate	116,202,109	242,156,774	-	-
Secured by shares of quoted and unquoted companies	18,846,492	21,520,113	-	-
Cash collateral	106,938,512	112,775,563	-	-
Fixed and floating assets	469,946,068	2,915,557,125	-	-
Otherwise secured	341,689,006	13,357,000	-	-
Unsecured	59,535,433	-	-	-
	1,113,157,620	**3,305,366,575**	**-**	**-**

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Loans and advances to corporate customers

The Group's loans and advances to corporate obligors are subject to rigorous credit appraisals commencing with rating of obligor via our Moody's Risk Analysis Methodology to determine the credit worthiness of the customer or its probability of default known as the obligor risk rating (ORR) – the probability of default (PD) of a customer is a measure of the obligor risk rating.

Collateral in the form of first charge over real estate (legal mortgage or mortgage debenture) or floating and fixed charges over corporate assets is usually taken to provide additional comfort to the Group. The measure of the collateral pledged by the customer is given by the facility risk rating (FRR) mapped to the Basel II defined loss given default (LGD) estimates. The FRR or LGD therefore assesses the transaction of the customer – risk of loss on the transaction in the event of default.

All non-retail and retail-SME exposures are assigned a risk grade by independent Credit Analysts within our Risk Management Division based on inputs/discussions with relationship management teams and verifiable facts. While the obligor risk rating model differentiates borrower risk (i.e. risk of default), the facility risk rating model differentiates transaction risk (i.e. risk of loss in the event of default), taking the structure of the facility (availability of credit risk mitigants) into consideration

The Group's Credit Analysts are fully guided by our internal ratings framework and lending policies, and exhibit a high level of professionalism and judgment in their recommendations to approving authorities. Model overrides, if any, require the exceptional approval of the Chief Risk Officer and, in certain cases, may be escalated to the Board Credit Committee.

The Group's facility risk rating model (for nonretail and retail SME) also reflects the expected loss (EL) on each transaction, which fully incorporates both borrower strength (PD) and loss severity (LGD) considerations. The expected loss (EL) generated is used as a guide to price for transactions, being the risk premium.

The Group also holds collateral in the form of cash and marketable securities in respect of sale and repurchase transactions and securities borrowing. Receivables relating to reverse sale and repurchase agreements and securities borrowing transactions are usually collateralised on a gross exposure basis. The Group undertakes master netting agreements with all counterparties and margining agreements with some counterparties.

Derivative assets held for risk management

For derivatives, under margin agreements, collateral is held against net positions that are partially or fully collateralised. Exposures under margin agreements are marked to market daily to assess attendant risks to the Group. There are no derivative trading assets as at the reporting period. However, details of derivative transactions taken for Risk Management is presented below:

	31 DEC 2022	
	Notional amount	Fair value
Derivative assets held for risk management	18,218,453	853,709
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	39,681,014	1,699,900

	31 DEC 2021	
	Notional amount	Fair value
Derivative assets held for risk management	-	-
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	-	-

Concentration of credit risk

The Group monitors concentrations of credit risk by sector and by geographic location. An analysis of concentration of credit risk from loans and advances, lending commitments, financial guarantees and investment is shown below:

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Concentration by sector

Gross loans and advances to customers and the non-performing loan portion per industry sector as at 31 December 2022. Carrying amounts presented in the table below are determined as gross loans less impairment allowances.

GROUP

	Loans and advances to customers					
In thousands of Naira	Stage1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total gross loans	Non performing loans (NPLs)	Gross lending commitments and financial guarantees
Administrative & Support Services	6,207,429	-	-	6,207,429	-	3,774,966
Agriculture	100,316,352	3,436,270	558,945	104,311,567	558,945	20,523,782
Commerce	120,855,717	147,266	5,953,702	126,956,685	5,953,702	41,885,776
Construction	2,667,480	-	98,108	2,765,588	98,108	29,732,572
Education	7,928,439	62,705	359,630	8,350,774	359,630	-
Finance and Insurance	89,940,047	-	32,794	89,972,841	32,794	79,500
General - Others	14,445,465	8	314,152	14,759,625	314,152	11,451,339
Government	22,973,477	-	-	22,973,477	-	3,811,660
Healthcare	3,321,016	-	100,532	3,421,548	100,532	8,091,800
Hospitality	8,597,465	-	113,924	8,711,389	113,924	557,207
Individual	183,252,087	2,139,552	8,968,853	194,360,492	8,968,853	-
Information & Communication	15,446,923	-	13,849	15,460,772	13,849	6,437,231
Manufacturing	151,269,313	-	10,937,743	162,207,056	10,937,743	146,187,445
Oil and Gas - Downstream	61,190,532	29,533,837	19,854	90,744,223	19,854	-
Oil and Gas - Upstream	1,812,903	45,937,511	12,292,693	60,043,107	12,292,693	21,840,120
Oil and Gas - Services	56,427,653	104,802,392	-	161,230,045	-	-
Power and Energy	19,640,148	28,337,399	8,887,435	56,864,982	8,887,435	-
Professional Services	2,890,043	1,228	84,000	2,975,271	84,000	7,044,342
Real Estate	46,890,645	52,323,069	12,512	99,226,226	12,512	-
Transportation	9,968,546	4,409,932	62,480	14,440,958	62,480	9,377,483
Water Supply, Sewage, Waste Management & Remediation Activities	64,336	-	691,254	755,590	691,254	-
	926,106,016	**271,131,169**	**49,502,460**	**1,246,739,645**	**49,502,460**	**310,795,223**

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Gross loans and advances to customers and the non-performing loan portion per industry sector as at 31 December 2021. Carrying amounts presented in the table below are determined as gross loans less impairment allowances.

GROUP

	Loans and advances to customers					
In thousands of Naira	Stage1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total gross loans	Non performing loans (NPLs)	Gross lending commitments and financial guarantees
Administrative and Support Services	4,067,844	-	12	4,067,856	12	3,259,823
Agriculture	77,345,288	156,232	1,405,326	78,906,846	1,405,326	13,494,182
Commerce	114,159,138	880,079	3,852,270	118,891,487	3,852,270	39,019,616
Construction	1,626,059	-	2,462	1,628,521	2,462	40,331,763
Education	5,984,671	97,681	137,716	6,220,068	137,716	-
Finance and Insurance	82,284,654	814,623	9,124	83,108,401	9,124	24,705,821
General - Others	12,729,151	62,742	83,754	12,875,647	83,754	5,461
Government	28,441,173	-	35	28,441,208	35	-
Hospitality	9,229,783	-	82,486	9,312,269	82,486	4,560,700
Individual	165,316,701	890,867	5,520,408	171,727,976	5,520,408	247,530
Information and Communication	13,531,335	-	-	13,531,335	-	218,542
Manufacturing	102,023,802	209,038	11,692,659	113,925,499	11,692,659	141,111,638
Mining	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oil and Gas - Downstream	39,425,634	37,544,370	4,965,396	81,935,400	4,965,396	9,956,063
Oil and Gas - Upstream	153,209	41,638,535	10,566,080	52,357,824	10,566,080	4,130,500
Oil and Gas - Services	60,209,471	88,500,506	-	148,709,977	-	-
Power and Energy	32,703,812	31,524,182	-	64,227,994	-	-
Professional Services	3,954,400	-	27,752	3,982,152	27,752	-
Real Estate	72,529,786	32,323,260	7,584,110	112,437,156	7,584,110	24,783
Transportation	6,567,463	299,365	3,176	6,870,004	3,176	112,211
	832,283,374	**234,941,480**	**45,932,766**	**1,113,157,620**	**45,932,766**	**281,178,633**

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Concentration by location

Concentration by location for loans and advance, and for lending commitments and financial guarantees is based on the customer's region of domicile within Nigeria and Europe. Concentration by location for investment securities is based on the country of domicile of the issuer of the security.

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GROUP

	Loans and advances to customers					
In thousands of Naira	Stage1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total gross loans	Non performing loans (NPLs)	Gross lending commitments and financial guarantees
North East	10,755,700	6,064	671,976	11,433,740	671,976	2,370,701
North Central	64,904,085	46,509	2,857,919	67,808,513	2,857,919	13,220,150
North West	42,088,570	10,786	1,363,893	43,463,249	1,363,893	7,562,064
South East	28,681,878	42,296	1,351,145	30,075,319	1,351,145	5,876,318
South South	46,869,005	5,242,643	1,403,340	53,514,988	1,403,340	6,252,073
South West	651,651,821	262,684,610	41,854,187	956,190,618	41,854,187	263,891,279
Europe	81,154,957	3,098,261	-	84,253,218	-	11,622,638
	926,106,016	**271,131,169**	**49,502,460**	**1,246,739,645**	**49,502,460**	**310,795,223**

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	Loans and advances to customers					
In thousands of Naira	Stage1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total gross loans	Non performing loans (NPLs)	Gross lending commitments and financial guarantees
North East	8,141,595	54,353	900,157	9,096,105	900,157	191,368
North Central	73,076,871	480,714	2,276,753	75,834,338	2,276,753	7,287,225
North West	33,904,975	210,453	1,419,830	35,535,258	1,419,830	1,900,069
South East	18,054,514	56,851	8,091,423	26,202,788	8,091,423	2,757,624
South South	40,351,515	428,677	829,901	41,610,093	829,901	2,582,959
South West	580,189,400	233,481,432	32,414,702	846,085,534	32,414,702	249,311,081
Europe	78,564,504	229,000	-	78,793,504	-	17,148,307
	832,283,374	**234,941,480**	**45,932,766**	**1,113,157,620**	**45,932,766**	**281,178,633**

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Inputs, assumptions and techniques used for estimating impairment

Significant increase in credit risk

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

The objective of the assessment is to identify whether a significant increase in credit risk has ccurred for an exposure by comparing:

- the remaining lifetime probability of default (PD) as at the reporting date; with
- the remaining lifetime PD for this point in time that was estimated at the time of initial recognition of the exposure (adjusted where relevant for changes in prepayment expectations).

Credit risk grades

The Group allocates each exposure to a credit risk grade based on a variety of data that is determined to be predictive of the risk of default and applying experienced credit judgement. Credit risk grades are defined using qualitative and quantitative factors that are indicative of risk of default. These factors vary depending on the nature of the exposure and the type of borrower.

Credit risk grades are defined and calibrated such that the risk of default occurring increases exponentially as the credit risk deteriorates, so, for example, the difference in risk of default between credit risk grades 1 and 2 is smaller than the difference between credit risk grades 2 and 3.

Each exposure is allocated to a credit risk grade at initial recognition based on available information about the borrower. Exposures are subject to ongoing monitoring, which may result in an exposure being moved to a different credit risk grade. The monitoring typically involves use of the following data:

Corporate exposures

- Information obtained during periodic review of customer files e.g. management accounts, budgets and projections. Examples of areas of particular focus are: gross profit margins, financial leverage ratios, debt service coverage, compliance with covenants, quality of management, senior management changes, etc.
- Data from credit reference agencies, press articles, changes in external credit ratings.
- Quoted bond prices for the borrower where available.
- Actual and expected significant changes in the political, regulatory and technological environment of the borrower or in its business activities.

Retail exposures

- Internally collected data on customer behaviour e.g. utilization of credit card facilities.
- Affordability metrics.
- External data from credit reference agencies including industry-standard credit scores.

All exposures

- Payment record - this includes overdue status as well as a range of variables about payment ratios.
- Utilization of the granted limit.
- Request for and granting of forbearance.
- Existing and forecast changes in business, financial and economic conditions.

Generating the term structure of probability of default (PD)

Credit risk grades are a primary input into the determination of the term structure of PD for exposures. The Group collects performance and default information about its credit risk exposures analysed by jurisdiction or region and by type of product and borrower as well as by credit risk grading. For some portfolios, information purchased from external credit reference agencies is also used.

The Group employs statistical models to analyse the data collected and generate estimates of the remaining lifetime PD of exposures and how these are expected to change as a result of the passage of time.

This analysis includes the identification and calibration of relationships between changes in default rates and changes in key macro-economic factors as well as in-depth analysis of the impact of certain other factors (e.g. forbearance experience) on the risk of default. For most exposures, key macro-economic indicators include: GDP growth, benchmark interest rates and unemployment. For exposures to specific industries and/or regions, the analysis may extend to relevant commodity and/or real estate prices.

Based on advices from the Management Risk Committee and economic experts and consideration of a variety of external actual and forecast information, the Group formulates a 'base case' view of the future direction of relevant economic variables as well as a representative range of other possible forecast scenarios (see discussion below on incorporation of forward-looking information). The Group then uses these forecasts to adjust its estimates of PDs.

In determining the ECL for other assets, the Group applies the simplified model to estimate ECLs, adopting a provision matrix to determine the lifetime ECLs. The provision matrix estimates ECLs on the basis of historical default rates, adjusted for current and future economic conditions (expected changes in default rates) without undue cost and effort.

Determining whether credit risk has increased significantly

The criteria for determining whether credit risk has increased significantly vary by portfolio and include quantitative changes in PDs and qualitative factors, including a backstop based on delinquency.

The credit risk of a particular exposure is deemed to have increased significantly since initial recognition if, based on the Group's quantitative modelling, the remaining lifetime PD is determined to have increased by more than a predetermined percentage/range.

Using its expert credit judgement and, where possible, relevant historical experience, the Group may determine that an exposure has undergone a significant increase in credit risk based on particular qualitative indicators that it considers are indicative of such and whose effect may not otherwise be fully reflected in its quantitative analysis on a timely basis.

As a backstop, the Group considers that a significant increase in credit risk occurs no later than when an asset is more than 30 days past due or, for [certain types of exposure], more than 15 days past due. Days past due are determined by counting the number of days since the earliest elapsed due date in respect of which full payment has not been received. Due dates are determined without considering any grace period that might be available to the borrower.

The Group monitors the effectiveness of the criteria used to identify significant increases in credit risk by regular reviews to confirm that:

- the criteria are capable of identifying significant increase in credit risk before an exposure is in default;
- the criteria do not align with the point in time when an asset becomes 30 days past due; and
- there is no unwarranted volatility in loss allowance from transfers between 12-month PD (stage 1) and lifetime PD (stage 2).

The contractual terms of a loan may be modified for a number of reasons - including changing market conditions, customer retention and other factors not related to a current or potential credit deterioration of the customer. An existing loan whose terms have been modified may be derecognised and the renegotiated loan recognised as a new loan at fair value in accordance with the policy set out in the accounting policy.

When the terms of a financial asset are modified and the modification does not result in derecognition, the determination of whether the asset's credit risk has increased significantly reflects comparison of:

- its remaining lifetime PD at the reporting date based on the modified terms; with
- the remaining lifetime PD estimated based on data at initial recognition and the original contractual terms.

The Group renegotiates loans to customers in financial difficulties (referred to as 'forbearance activities') to maximise collection opportunities and minimise the risk of default. Under the Group's forbearance policy, loan forbearance is granted on a selective basis if the debtor is currently in default on its debt or if there is a high risk of default, there is evidence that the debtor made all reasonable efforts to pay under the original contractual terms and the debtor is expected to be able to meet the revised terms.

The revised terms usually include extending the maturity, changing the timing of interest payments and amending the terms of loan covenants. Both retail and corporate loans are subject to the forbearance policy. The Group Audit Committee regularly reviews reports on forbearance activities.

For financial assets modified as part of the Group's forbearance policy, the estimate of PD reflects whether the modification has improved or restored the Group's ability to collect interest and principal and the Group's previous experience of similar forbearance action. As part of this process, the Group evaluates the borrower's payment performance against the modified contractual terms and considers various behavioural indicators.

Generally, forbearance is a qualitative indicator of a significant increase in credit risk and an expectation of forbearance may constitute evidence that an exposure is credit-impaired and in default. A customer needs to demonstrate consistently good payment behaviour over a period of time before the exposure is no longer considered to be credit-impaired and in default or the PD is considered to have decreased such that the loss allowance reverts to being measured at an amount equal to 12-month ECL.

Definition of default

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 realising security (if any is held); or
- for non-specialized loans, the borrower is past due more than 90 days on any material credit obligation to the Group. Overdrafts are considered as being past due once the customer has breached an advised limit or been advised of a limit smaller than the current amount outstanding.
- for specialized loans, depending on the nature of the transaction, the following default criteria was adopted by the Group.

Finance Type	Quantitative Default Criteria
Agricultural Finance	Where mark-up/ interest or principal is overdue (past due) by 90 days
Object Finance	Where the repayment on outstanding obligations is less than 60% of the amount due and/or aggregate instalments; thereof are overdue by 180 days
Project Finance	Where the repayment on outstanding obligations is less than 60% of the amount due and/or aggregate instalments; thereof are overdue by 180 days
Real Estate	Where the repayment on outstanding obligations is less than 60% of the amount due and/or aggregate instalments; thereof are overdue by 180 days
Mortgage Loans	Where mark-up/interest or principal is overdue (past due) by more than 180 days from the due date

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. Based on advices from the Management Risk Committee and economic experts and consideration of a variety of external actual and forecast information, the Group formulates a 'base case' view of the future direction of relevant economic variables as well as a representative range of other possible forecast scenarios. This process involves developing two or more additional economic scenarios and considering the relative probabilities of each outcome. External information includes economic data and forecasts published by governmental bodies and monetary authorities in the countries where the Group operates, supranational organisations such as The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the International Monetary Fund, and selected private-sector and academic forecasters.

The base case represents a most-likely outcome and is aligned with information used by the Group for other purposes such as strategic planning and budgeting. The other scenarios represent more optimistic and more pessimistic outcomes. Periodically, the Group carries out stress testing of more extreme shocks to calibrate its determination of these other representative scenarios.

The Group has identified and documented key drivers of credit risk and credit losses for each portfolio of financial instruments and, using an analysis of historical data, has estimated relationships between macro-economic variables and credit risk and credit losses.

Predicted relationships between the key indicators and default and loss rates on various portfolios of financial assets have been developed based on analysing historical data over the past 5 years.

These parameters are generally derived from internally developed statistical models and other historical data. They are adjusted to reflect forward-looking information as described above.

Macroeconomic scenarios and weightings

The macroeconomic scenario (Forward-Looking Information) forecast, used by the Group for ECL allowance calculation purposes, were derived using advanced statistical models which also produced the probability weightings of each scenario. 3 scenarios were developed; 1) Optimistic Scenario, 2) Most Likely Scenario, 3) Pessimistic Scenario. The group adopted statistical forecasts and probability weightings to eliminate biases in the scenarios and senstivity of the forecasts.

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60 monthly forecasts of each Forward-Looking Information (FLI) was adopted by the Group in the ECL allowance calculation. The following FLIs were considered;

1) Central Bank of Nigeria's Manufacturing Sector Purchasing Manager's Index
2) Nigeria's Inflation Rate
3) NAFEX NGNUSD Exchange Rate
4) Brent Crude Oil Price
5) Nigeria's Foreign Reserves Balance

The choice of FLIs was informed by historical analysis which confirmed strong correlation and causation between the selected FLIs and the Groups historical default experience. The Board Credit Committee had approved the aforementioned FLIs for use in ECL allowance calculation.

Optimistic scenario-25%

5 year (2022-2026) average forecast					
FLI	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**2026**
Purchasing manager's index	67.38	76.82	83.86	89.89	94.88
Nigeria's inflation rate	16.35	16.04	14.69	14.87	16.79
NAFEX NGN/USD exchange rate	386.53	393.35	408.11	426.26	444.67
Brent crude oil price	81.13	77.69	76.90	76.74	76.71
Nigeria's foreign reserves balance	40.74	44.91	47.92	50.43	52.49

Most likely scenario-50%

5 year (2022-2026) average forecast					
FLI	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**2026**
Purchasing manager's index	52.74	53.50	54.25	55.01	55.71
Nigeria's inflation rate	18.18	18.31	17.43	18.07	20.58
NAFEX NGN/USD exchange rate	437.11	473.23	509.35	545.47	578.57
Brent crude oil price	57.73	54.50	53.93	53.81	53.79
Nigeria's foreign reserves balance	33.63	33.60	33.56	33.52	33.49

Pessimistic scenario-25%

5 year (2022-2026) average forecast					
FLI	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**	**2026**
Purchasing manager's index	38.09	30.17	24.65	20.14	16.54
Nigeria's inflation rate	20.22	20.91	20.69	21.97	25.22
NAFEX NGN/USD exchange rate	487.68	553.10	610.58	664.67	712.48
Brent crude oil price	41.09	38.24	37.82	37.74	37.72
Nigeria's foreign reserves balance	26.53	22.29	19.20	16.61	14.50

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Measurement of ECL

The key inputs into the measurement of ECL are the term structure of the following variables:

- probability of default (PD);
- loss given default (LGD); and
- exposure at default (EAD).

These parameters are generally derived from internally developed statistical models and other historical data. They are adjusted to reflect forward-looking information as described above.

PD estimates are estimates at a certain date, which are calculated based on statistical rating models, and assessed using rating tools tailored to the various categories of counterparties and exposures. These statistical models are based on internally compiled data comprising both quantitative and qualitative factors. Where it is available, market data may also be used to derive the PD for large corporate counterparties. If a counterparty or exposure migrates between rating classes, then this will lead to a change in the estimate of the associated PD. PDs are estimated considering the contractual maturities of exposures and estimated prepayment rates.

LGD is the magnitude of the likely loss if there is a default. The Group estimates LGD parameters based on the history of recovery rates of claims against defaulted counterparties. The LGD models consider the structure, collateral, seniority of the claim, counterparty industry and recovery costs of any collateral that is integral to the financial asset. LGD estimates are recalibrated for different economic scenarios and, for lending, to reflect possible changes in the economies. They are calculated on a discounted cash flow basis using the effective interest rate as the discounting factor.

EAD represents the expected exposure in the event of a default. The Group derives the EAD from the current exposure to the counterparty and potential changes to the current amount allowed under the contract including amortisation. The EAD of a financial asset is its gross carrying amount. For lending commitments and financial guarantees, the EAD includes the amount drawn, as well as potential future amounts that may be drawn under the contract, which are estimated based on historical observations and forward-looking forecasts. For some financial assets, EAD is determined by modelling the range of possible exposure outcomes at various points in time using scenario and statistical techniques.

As described above, and subject to using a maximum of a 12-month PD for financial assets for which credit risk has not significantly increased, the Group measures ECL considering the risk of default over the maximum contractual period (including any borrower's extension options) over which it is exposed to credit risk, even if, for risk management purposes, the Group considers a longer period. The maximum contractual period extends to the date at which the Group has the right to require repayment of an advance or terminate a loan commitment or guarantee.

However, for overdrafts and revolving facilities that include both a loan and an undrawn commitment component, the Group measures ECL over a period longer than the maximum contractual period if the Group's contractual ability to demand repayment and cancel the undrawn commitment does not limit the Group's exposure to credit losses to the contractual notice period. These facilities do not have a fixed term or repayment structure and are managed on a collective basis. The Group can cancel them with immediate effect but this contractual right is not enforced in the normal day-to-day management, but only when the Group becomes aware of an increase in credit risk at the facility level. This longer period is estimated taking into account the credit risk management actions that the Group expects to take and that serve to mitigate ECL. These include a reduction in limits, cancellation of the facility and/or turning the outstanding balance into a loan with fixed repayment terms.

Where modelling of a parameter is carried out on a collective basis, the financial instruments are grouped on the basis of shared risk characteristics that include:

- instrument type;
- credit risk gradings;
- collateral type;
- past due information;
- date of initial recognition;
- remaining term to maturity;
- industry; and
- geographic location of the borrower.

The groupings are subject to regular review to ensure that exposures within a particular group remain appropriately homogeneous.

Loss allowance

Measurement basis under IFRS 9

The following tables show reconciliations from the opening to the closing balance of the loss allowance by class of financial instrument. The basis for determining transfers due to changes in credit risk is set out in our accounting policy; see Note 3(k)(vii).

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	31 DEC 2022				31 DEC 2021			
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents								
Balance at 1 January	39,635	-	-	39,635	35,950	-	-	35,950
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	21,570	-	-	21,570	3,685	-	-	3,685
Closing balance	**61,205**	**-**	**-**	**61,205**	**39,635**	**-**	**-**	**39,635**
Gross amount	**247,510,880**	**-**	**-**	**247,510,880**	**362,729,825**	**-**	**-**	**362,729,825**
Assets pledged as collateral								
Balance at 1 January	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Gross amount	**79,009,207**	**-**	**-**	**79,009,207**	**115,456,683**	**-**	**-**	**115,456,683**
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost								
Balance at 1 January	18,097,492	7,031,662	24,439,274	49,568,428	19,739,723	9,078,158	17,692,772	46,510,653
Transfer to Stage 1	3,535,667	(745,515)	(2,790,152)	-	413,288	(360,942)	(52,346)	-
Transfer to Stage 2	(570,822)	606,367	(35,545)	-	(116,708)	142,380	(25,672)	-
Transfer to Stage 3	(295,748)	(242,761)	538,509	-	(5,909,639)	(14,312)	5,923,951	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	(3,143,677)	3,720,038	21,547,954	22,124,315	3,445,888	(2,292,364)	13,681,146	14,834,670
Financial assets that have been derecognised write-off	-	-	(22,218,220)	(22,218,220)	-	-	(12,781,011)	(12,781,011)
Foreign exchange and other movements	253,186	1,244,062	141,288	1,638,536	524,940	478,742	434	1,004,116
Closing balance	**17,876,098**	**11,613,853**	**21,623,108**	**51,113,059**	**18,097,492**	**7,031,662**	**24,439,274**	**49,568,428**
Gross amount	**925,871,847**	**271,131,173**	**49,736,625**	**1,246,739,645**	**833,534,615**	**234,941,481**	**44,681,524**	**1,113,157,620**

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	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Investment securities at amortised cost								
Balance at 1 January	999,801	-	1,833,263	2,833,064	496,167	-	1,777,259	2,273,426
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	3,587	-	-	3,587	385,613	-	-	385,613
Foreign exchange and other movements	(104,289)	-	196,868	92,579	118,021	-	56,004	174,025
Closing balance	**899,099**	**-**	**2,030,131**	**2,929,230**	**999,801**	**-**	**1,833,263**	**2,833,064**
Gross amount	**256,776,797**	**-**	**2,030,131**	**258,806,928**	**173,906,903**	**-**	**1,818,577**	**175,725,480**
Investment securities at FVOCI								
Balance at 1 January	316,503	-	-	316,503	181,892	-	-	181,892
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	1,061,662	-	-	1,061,662	134,611	-	-	134,611
Closing balance	**1,378,165**	**-**	**-**	**1,378,165**	**316,503**	**-**	**-**	**316,503**
Gross amount	**231,092,599**	**-**	**-**	**231,092,599**	**173,200,828**	**-**	**-**	**173,200,828**
Other assets								
Balance at 1 January	7,422,782	710,347	13,076,213	21,209,342	6,121,813	2,602,522	7,755,448	16,479,783
Transfer to Stage 1	1,710,397	(1,500,000)	(210,397)	-	465,115	(3,392,175)	2,927,060	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	2,753,484	5,527,130	(1,390,243)	6,890,371	835,854	1,500,000	2,453,317	4,789,171
Write-offs	-	-	(164,562)	(164,562)	-	-	(317,659)	(317,659)
Foreign exchange and other movements	-	-	849,050	849,050	-	-	258,047	258,047
Closing balance	**11,886,663**	**4,737,477**	**12,160,061**	**28,784,201**	**7,422,782**	**710,347**	**13,076,213**	**21,209,342**
Gross amount	**187,298,480**	**13,137,146**	**12,160,061**	**212,595,687**	**113,987,036**	**10,430,012**	**18,559,809**	**142,976,857**
Performance bonds and guarantees, clean line letters of credit and other commitments								
Balance at 1 January	1,861,737	28,943	-	1,890,680	1,501,069	28,943	-	1,530,012
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	158,042	(28,943)	-	129,099	363,785	-	-	363,785
Foreign exchange and other movements	2,688	-	-	2,688	(3,117)	-	-	(3,117)
Closing balance	**2,022,467**	**-**	**-**	**2,022,467**	**1,861,737**	**28,943**	**-**	**1,890,680**
Gross amount	**310,795,223**	**-**	**-**	**310,795,223**	**281,126,172**	**52,461**	**-**	**281,178,633**

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	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
Cash and cash equivalents								
Balance at 1 January	9,893	-	-	9,893	9,893	-	-	9,893
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**9,893**	**-**	**-**	**9,893**	**9,893**	**-**	**-**	**9,893**
Gross amount	**30,607**	**-**	**-**	**30,607**	**621,755**	**-**	**-**	**621,755**
Assets pledged as collateral								
Balance at 1 January	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Gross amount	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost								
Balance at 1 January	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Stage 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Stage 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer to Stage 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Financial assets that have been derecognised write-off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign exchange and other movements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Gross amount	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Investment securities at amortised cost								
Balance at 1 January	158,504	-	-	158,504	141,117	-	-	141,117
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	27,669	-	-	27,669	17,387	-	-	17,387
Foreign exchange and other movements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**186,173**	**-**	**-**	**186,173**	**158,504**	**-**	**-**	**158,504**
Gross amount	**8,219,574**	**-**	**-**	**8,219,574**	**6,175,559**	**-**	**-**	**6,175,559**
Investment securities at FVOCI								
Balance at 1 January	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Gross amount	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Other assets								
Balance at 1 January	92,188	-	-	92,188	92,188	-	-	92,188
Transfer to Stage 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Write-offs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Foreign exchange and other movements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Closing balance	**92,188**	**-**	**-**	**92,188**	**92,188**	**-**	**-**	**92,188**
Gross amount	**6,426,859**	**-**	**-**	**6,426,859**	**7,928,572**	**-**	**-**	**7,928,572**
Performance bonds and guarantees, clean line letters of credit and other commitments								
Balance at 1 January	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Foreign exchange and other movements	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Closing balance	**- -**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	
Gross amount	**- -**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	

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	Gross carrying amount				ECL provision			
In thousands of Naira	**Stage 1**	**Stage 2**	**Stage 3**	**Total**	**Stage 1**	**Stage 2**	**Stage 3**	**Total**
On-balance sheet items								
Cash and cash equivalents	247,510,880	-	-	247,510,880	61,205	-	-	61,205
Assets pledged as collateral	79,009,207	-	-	79,009,207	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost	925,871,847	271,131,173	49,736,625	1,246,739,645	17,876,098	11,613,853	21,623,108	51,113,059
Investment securities at amortised cost	256,776,797	-	2,030,131	258,806,928	899,099	-	2,030,131	2,929,230
Investment securities at FVOCI	231,092,599	-	-	231,092,599	1,378,165	-	-	1,378,165
Other financial assets measured at amortised cost	187,298,480	13,137,146	12,160,061	212,595,687	11,886,663	4,737,477	12,160,061	28,784,201
Sub-total	**1,927,559,810**	**284,268,319**	**63,926,817**	**2,275,754,946**	**32,101,230**	**16,351,330**	**35,813,300**	**84,265,860**
Off-balance sheet items								
Performance bonds and guarantees	178,201,810	-	-	178,201,810	1,610,104	-	-	1,610,104
Clean line letters of credit	128,712,165	-	-	128,712,165	412,363	-	-	412,363
Other commitments	3,881,248	-	-	3,881,248	-	-	-	-
Sub-total	**310,795,223**	**-**	**-**	**310,795,223**	**2,022,467**	**-**	**-**	**2,022,467**
Grand total	**2,238,355,033**	**284,268,319**	**63,926,817**	**2,586,550,169**	**34,123,697**	**16,351,330**	**35,813,300**	**86,288,327**

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	Gross carrying amount				ECL provision			
In thousands of Naira	**Stage 1**	**Stage 2**	**Stage 3**	**Total**	**Stage 1**	**Stage 2**	**Stage 3**	**Total**
On-balance sheet items								
Cash and cash equivalents	30,607	-	-	30,607	9,893	-	-	9,893
Assets pledged as collateral	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral at FVOCI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities at amortised cost	8,219,574	-	-	8,219,574	186,173	-	-	186,173
Investment securities at FVOCI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other financial assets measured at amortised cost	6,426,859	-	-	6,426,859	92,188	-	-	92,188
Sub-total	**14,677,040**	**-**	**-**	**14,677,040**	**288,254**	**-**	**-**	**288,254**
Off-balance sheet items								
Performance bonds and guarantees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clean line letters of credit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other commitments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Grand total	**14,677,040**	**-**	**-**	**14,677,040**	**288,254**	**-**	**-**	**288,254**

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	GROUP				COMPANY			
On-balance sheet items								
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost	1.93%	4.28%	43.48%	4.10%	-	-	-	-
Investment securities at amortised cost	0.35%	-	100.00%	1.13%	2.26%	-	-	2.26%
Other financial assets measured at amortised cost	6.35%	36.06%	100.00%	13.54%	-	-	-	1.43%
Sub-total	**1.67%**	**5.75%**	**56.02%**	**3.70%**	**1.96%**	**-**	**-**	**1.96%**
Off-balance sheet items								
Performance bonds and guarantees	0.90%	-	-	0.90%	-	-	-	-
Clean line letters of credit	0.32%	-	-	0.32%	-	-	-	-
Other commitments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total	**0.65%**	**-**	**-**	**0.65%**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Grand total	**1.52%**	**5.75%**	**56.02%**	**3.34%**	**1.96%**	**-**	**-**	**1.96%**

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	Gross carrying amount				ECL provision			
In thousands of Naira	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
On-balance sheet items								
Cash and cash equivalents	362,729,825	-	-	362,729,825	39,635	-	-	39,635
Assets pledged as collateral at amortised cost	115,456,683	-	-	115,456,683	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost	833,534,615	234,941,481	44,681,524	1,113,157,620	18,097,492	7,031,662	24,439,274	49,568,428
Investment securities at amortised cost	173,906,903	-	1,818,577	175,725,480	999,801	-	1,833,263	2,833,064
Investment securities at FVOCI	173,200,828	-	-	173,200,828	316,503	-	-	316,503
Other financial assets measured at amortised cost	113,987,036	10,430,012	18,559,809	142,976,857	7,422,782	710,347	13,076,213	21,209,342
Sub-total	**1,772,815,890**	**245,371,493**	**65,059,910**	**2,083,247,293**	**26,876,213**	**7,742,009**	**39,348,750**	**73,966,972**
Off-balance sheet items								
Performance bonds and guarantees	141,681,463	-	-	141,681,463	1,474,676	-	-	1,474,676
Clean line letters of credit	135,225,605	-	-	135,225,605	412,363	-	-	412,363
Other commitments	4,219,104	52,461	-	4,271,565	-	1,876	-	1,876
Sub-total	**281,126,172**	**52,461**	**-**	**281,178,633**	**1,887,039**	**1,876**	**-**	**1,888,915**
Grand total	**2,053,942,062**	**245,423,954**	**65,059,910**	**2,364,425,926**	**28,763,252**	**7,743,885**	**39,348,750**	**75,855,887**

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	Gross carrying amount				ECL provision			
In thousands of Naira	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
On-balance sheet items								
Cash and cash equivalents	621,755	-	-	621,755	9,893	-	-	9,893
Assets pledged as collateral at amortised cost	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities at amortised cost	6,175,559	-	-	6,175,559	158,504	-	-	158,504
Investment securities at FVOCI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other financial assets measured at amortised cost	7,928,572	-	-	7,928,572	92,188	-	-	92,188
Sub-total	**14,725,886**	**-**	**-**	**14,725,886**	**260,585**	**-**	**-**	**260,585**
Off-balance sheet items								
Performance bonds and guarantees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clean line letters of credit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other commitments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Grand total	**14,725,886**	**-**	**-**	**14,725,886**	**260,585**	**-**	**-**	**260,585**

ECL coverage ratio

	GROUP				COMPANY			
In thousands of Naira	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
On-balance sheet items								
Loans and advances to customers at amortised cost	2.17%	2.99%	54.70%	4.45%	-	-	-	-
Investment securities at amortised cost	0.57%	-	-	1.61%	2.57%	-	-	2.57%
Investment securities at FVOCI	0.18%	-	-	0.18%	-	-	-	-
Other financial assets measured at amortised cost	6.51%	6.81%	-	14.83%	1.16%	-	-	1.16%
Sub-total	**1.52%**	**3.16%**	**60.48%**	**3.55%**	**1.77%**	**-**	**-**	**1.77%**
Off-balance sheet items								
Performance bonds and guarantees	1.04%	-	-	1.04%	-	-	-	-
Clean line letters of credit 0.30%	-	-	0.30%	-	-	-	-	
Other commitments	-	3.58%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sub-total	**0.67%**	**3.58%**	**-**	**0.67%**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Grand total	**1.40%**	**3.16%**	**60.48%**	**3.21%**	**1.77%**	**-**	**-**	**1.77%**

Trading assets

The Group's trading book comprises only debt securities, bills issued by the Federal Government of Nigeria and equity securities. The capital charge for the trading book is computed using the standardised approach. The standardised approach adopts a building block approach to capital computation, where individual capital requirements is summed for the different risk positions. Under the methodology, capital charge is computed for Issuer Risk, otherwise known as specific risk and for General Market Risk, which may result from adverse movement in market price. The capital charges cover the Group's debt instruments in the trading book and the total banking book for foreign exchange. Commodities are excluded as the Group does not trade in commodities. The standardised method ignores diversification of risk and the risk positions are captured as on the day and not for a period.

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Security type	Issuer rating	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 -180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
FGN bonds	BB-	112,820,990	-	2,239	1,502,335	46,365,810	-	160,691,374
Nigerian treasury bills	BB-	-	-	-	39,401	-	-	39,401
		112,820,990	**-**	**2,239.00**	**1,541,736**	**46,365,810**	**-**	**160,730,775**

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Security type	Issuer rating	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 -180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
FGN bonds	BB-	-	-	-	-	3,296,114	9,177,708	12,473,822
Nigerian treasury bills	BB-	6,531	1,817,433	7,474,439	19,766,049	-	-	29,064,452
		6,531	**1,817,433**	**7,474,439**	**19,766,049**	**3,296,114**	**9,177,708**	**41,538,274**

The deployment of value at risk (VAR) will enable the Group to migrate to the internal model approach, which measures market risk loss at a given level of confidence and over a specified period. Also, this approach accounts for diversification (which is not done under standardised method).

An analysis of the counterparty credit exposure for the non trading assets, which are neither past due nor impaired is as shown in the table above.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Group held cash and cash equivalents of N247.51billion as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: N355.31billion). The cash and cash equivalents are held with the Central Group, financial institutions and counterparties which are rated BBB- to AA based on acceptable external rating agency's ratings.

Settlement risk

The Group like its peers in the industry is exposed to settlement risk – the risk of loss due to the failure of an entity to honour its obligations to deliver cash, securities or other assets as contractually agreed.

This risk is generally mitigated through counterparty limits set to manage the Group's exposure to these counterparties. The counterparty limits are approved by the Executive Management and the Board of Directors.

c. Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Group will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or other financial assets. It is the potential loss to the Group arising from either its inability to meet its obligations or to fund committed increases in assets as they fall due without incurring unacceptable costs or losses.

Management of liquidity risk

The Board of directors sets the strategy for liquidity risk management and delegates the responsibility for oversight and implementation of the policy to the Assets and Liability Committee (ALCO). The liquidity position is managed daily by Treasury and Financial Services Division in conjunction with Market Risk Management Department. Assessment of liquidity is carried out through daily and weekly reports aimed at evaluating limit compliances across all the key liquidity management criteria e.g. funding gap, liquidity mismatches, etc.

The Assets and Liability Committee (ALCO) has the primary responsibility for managing liquidity risk arising from assets and liability creation activities. Deliberate strategies put in place to ensure the Group is protected from liquidity risk include:

- Liquidity risk identification at transaction, portfolio and entity levels using the defined early warning liquidity risk indicators such as deposit attrition, funding mismatch and funding concentrations.
- Establishment of the Group's liquidity risk appetite, which is the amount of risk FCMB is willing to accept in pursuit of value using relevant liquidity risk ratios and assets and liability funding gaps.
- Establishment of methodologies for measuring and reporting on the Group's liquidity risk profile against set appetite and sensitising against unforeseen circumstances using liquidity risk scenario analysis.

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- Establishment of preventive (limit setting and management) as well as corrective (Contingency Funding Plan - CFP) controls over liquidity risk.
- Maintaining a diversified funding base consisting of customer deposits (both retail and corporate) and wholesale market deposits and contingency deposits and liabilities.
- Carrying a portfolio of highly liquid assets, diversified by currency and maturity.
- Monitoring liquidity ratios, maturity mismatches, behavioural characteristics of the Group's financial assets and liabilities, and the extent to which they are encumbered.

The Group conducts regular stress testing on its liquidity position using different scenarios including Normal, Mild and Severe stress situations. The scenarios anticipate changes in key financial indicators such as interest rate movement, sharp reduction in Development Financial Institutions (DFIs) as a result of current security challenges, economic downturn among others. Stress results are presented to ALCO to elicit proactive liquidity management decisions. The committee's resolutions are tracked for impact assessment and anticipated stability in liquidity management.

The Risk Management Division acts as the secretariat for ALCO and provides the necessary analytics (maturity/repricing gap and balance sheet analyses) required for taking proactive liquidity management decisions. The Group's Treasury and Financial Services Division is responsible for executing ALCO decisions and in particular, ensuring that the Group is optimally and profitably funded at any point in time.

i. Exposure to liquidity risk

The key measures adopted by the Group for liquidity management are Maturity Profile (on and off balance sheet) and Maturity Analysis. Details of reported ratio of the Group's net liquid assets to deposit from customers as at the reporting period is given as:

PERIOD	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
At 31 December	35.4%	34.8%
Average for the year	34.1%	34.4%
Maximum for the year	36.4%	39.5%
Minimum for the year	32.8%	32.3%

Liquidity ratio, which is a measure of liquidity risk, is calculated as a ratio of Naira liquid assets to the local currency deposit liabilities and it is expressed in percentage.

The exposure to liquidity risk during the review period is as presented below:

ii. Maturity analysis for financial assets and liabilities

The table below analyzes financial assets and liabilities of the Group into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. These include both principal and interest cash flows across the different maturity periods. The following tables show the undiscounted cash flows on the Group's financial assets and liabilities, and on the basis of their earliest possible contractual maturity. The Gross nominal inflow/ (outflow) disclosed in the table is the contractual, undiscounted cash flow on the financial assets and liabilities.

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In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/ (outflow)	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Non-derivative assets										
Cash and cash equivalent	21	247,485,623	247,485,623	234,818,880	12,666,743	-	-	-	-	247,485,623
Restricted reserve deposit	22	493,359,709	493,359,709	-	-	-	493,359,709	-	-	493,359,709
Non-pledged trading assets	23(a)	160,730,775	159,837,009	5,729,578	-	2,137	42,200	113,634,490	40,428,604	159,837,009
Loans and advances to customers	25	1,195,626,586	1,241,080,152	246,115,194	133,836,065	60,401,955	138,282,186	444,067,061	218,377,691	1,241,080,152
Asset pledged as collateral	27	79,009,207	73,838,652	2,045,754	17,926,500	1,700,000	-	26,402,292	25,764,106	73,838,652
Investment securities	26	524,573,025	533,167,442	170,894,056	106,929,751	11,860,098	16,068,178	73,794,280	153,621,079	533,167,442
Other financial assets (net)	32(a)	183,811,486	212,595,687	10,585,514	26,668,297	-	7,155,786	7,753,358	160,432,732	212,595,687
		2,884,596,411	**2,961,364,274**	**670,188,976**	**298,027,356**	**73,964,190**	**654,908,059**	**665,651,481**	**598,624,212**	**2,961,364,274**
Derivative assets										
Risk management	24(a)	853,709	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inflow		-	19,046,053	-	-	19,046,053	-	-	-	19,046,053
Outflow		-	(18,192,344)	-	-	(18,192,344)	-	-	-	(18,192,344)
		853,709	**853,709**	**-**	**-**	**853,709**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**853,709**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/ (outflow)	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Derivative liabilities										
Risk management:	24(b)	1,699,900	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Inflow		-	41,201,593	-	-	41,201,593	-	-	-	41,201,593
Outflow		-	(39,501,693)	-	-	(39,501,693)	-	-	-	(39,501,693)
		1,699,900	**1,699,900**	**-**	**-**	**1,699,900**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,699,900**
Non-derivative liabilities										
Trading liabilities	23(b)	1,883,937	1,787,518	24,833	-	-	-	-	1,762,685	1,787,518
Deposits from banks	34	124,365,459	124,365,459	68,778,296	11,225,529	40,006,394	4,355,240.00	-	-	124,365,459
Deposits from customers	35	1,944,908,569	1,944,908,569	1,398,989,138	269,055,205	142,195,858	123,402,451	11,265,917	-	1,944,908,569
Borrowings	41	88,364,968	100,972,104	-	5,247,459	579,045	41,412,453	46,150,976	7,582,170	100,972,104
On-lending facilities	39	249,191,651	251,119,351	8,109,449	12,745,513	31,907,780	29,000,180	124,329,156	45,027,274	251,119,351
Debt securities issued	40	84,745,841	101,728,164	-	-	140,251	12,977,077	31,287,217	57,323,618	101,728,164
Other financial liabilities	37(b)	183,363,822	183,363,822	40,096,514	-	12,505,655	123,336,208	7,425,445	-	183,363,822
		2,676,824,247	**2,708,244,986**	**1,515,998,230**	**298,273,706**	**227,334,983**	**334,483,609**	**220,458,711**	**111,695,747**	**2,708,244,986**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/ (outflow)	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Non-derivative assets										
Cash and cash equivalent	21	362,700,083	362,700,083	362,700,083	-	-	-	-	-	362,700,083
Restricted reserve deposit	22	329,739,147	329,739,147	-	-	-	329,739,147	-	-	329,739,147
Non-pledged trading assets	23(a)	41,538,274	41,538,274	17,600,804	3,332,458	7,624,705	5,058,606	2,469,317	5,452,384	41,538,274
Loans and advances to customers	25	1,063,589,192	1,113,157,620	152,907,196	89,294,390	164,417,710	133,853,126	411,972,594	160,712,604	1,113,157,620
Asset pledged as collateral	27	115,456,683	108,435,159	9,974,000	13,809,347	13,773,986	6,947,930	23,750,000	40,179,896	108,435,159
Investment securities	26	372,548,333	374,949,226	140,233,902	49,444,467	45,019,268	26,002,191	13,991,071	100,258,327	374,949,226
Other financial assets (net)	32(a)	121,767,515	142,976,857	38,332,341	-	-	104,644,516	-	-	142,976,857
		2,407,339,227	**2,473,496,366**	**721,748,326**	**155,880,662**	**230,835,669**	**606,245,516**	**452,182,982**	**306,603,211**	**2,473,496,366**
Non-derivative liabilities										
Trading liabilities	23(b)	5,174,902	5,174,902	-	-	-	5,174,902	-	-	5,174,902
Deposits from banks	34	160,746,916	160,746,916	56,580,516	-	-	104,166,400	-	-	160,746,916
Deposits from customers	35	1,554,413,623	1,560,432,456	1,224,456,399	76,649,734	162,095,560	95,312,247	1,918,516	-	1,560,432,456
Borrowings	41	80,704,066	80,863,504	17,423,908.00	-	-	-	63,439,596	-	80,863,504
On-lending facilities	39	157,873,774	157,873,774	1,145,210	1,930,973	5,206,857	13,431,937	67,433,966	68,724,831	157,873,774
Debt securities issued	40	78,493,492	78,000,528	-	-	-	-	28,281,611	49,718,917	78,000,528
Other financial liabilities	37(b)	191,853,091	191,853,091	39,733,547	-	98,471,060	43,549,856	10,098,628	-	191,853,091
		2,229,259,864	**2,234,945,171**	**1,339,339,580**	**78,580,707**	**265,773,477**	**261,635,342**	**171,172,317**	**118,443,748**	**2,234,945,171**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/ (outflow)	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Non-derivative assets										
Cash and cash equivalent	21	30,607	30,607	30,607	-	-	-	-	-	30,607
Restricted reserve deposit	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-pledged trading assets	23(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Asset pledged as collateral	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	26	8,023,508	8,594,417	1,122,201	2,682,986	1,072,744	167,131	3,549,356	-	8,594,417
Other financial assets (net)	32(a)	6,334,672	6,426,859	-	4,485,208	1,941,651	-	-	-	6,426,859
		14,388,787	**15,051,883**	**1,152,808**	**7,168,194**	**3,014,395**	**167,131**	**3,549,356**	**-**	**15,051,883**
Non-derivative liabilities										
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	856,858	981,750	10,829	22,740	32,847	915,334	-	-	981,750
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other financial liabilities	37(b)	7,649,281	7,649,281	-	-	251,432	1,377,491	6,020,358	-	7,649,281
		8,506,139	**8,631,031**	**10,829**	**22,740**	**284,279**	**2,292,825**	**6,020,358**	**-**	**8,631,031**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/ (outflow)	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Non-derivative assets										
Cash and cash equivalent	21	621,755	621,755	621,755	-	-	-	-	-	621,755
Restricted reserve deposit	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-pledged trading assets	23(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Asset pledged as collateral	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	26	6,007,162	6,009,979	2,817	-	-	-	6,007,162	-	6,009,979
Other financial assets (net)	32(a)	7,836,385	7,928,572	7,928,572	-	-	-	-	-	7,928,572
		14,465,302	14,560,306	8,553,144	-	-	-	6,007,162	-	14,560,306
Non-derivative liabilities										
Trading liabilities	23(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other financial liabilities	37(b)	7,190,462	7,190,462	7,190,462	-	-	-	-	-	7,190,462
		7,190,462	7,190,462	7,190,462	-	-	-	-	-	7,190,462

The amounts in the table above have been compiled as follows:

Type of financial instrument	Basis on which amounts are compiled
Non-derivative financial liabilities and financial assets	Undiscounted cash flows, which include estimated interest payments.
Derivative financial liabilities and financial assets held	Contractual undiscounted cash flows. The amounts shown are the gross nominal inflows and outflows for derivatives that have simultaneous gross settlement and the net amounts for derivatives that are net settled.
Trading derivative liabilities and assets forming part of the Group's proprietary trading operations that are expected to be closed out before contractual maturity	Fair values at the date of the statement of financial position. This is because contractual maturities are not reflective of the liquidity risk exposure arising from these positions. These fair values are disclosed in the 'less than 0-30 days' column.
Issued financial guarantee contracts, and unrecognised loan commitments	Earliest possible contractual maturity. For issued financial guarantee contracts, the maximum amount of the guarantee is allocated to the earliest period in which the guarantee could be called.

The Group's expected cash flows on some financial assets and financial liabilities vary significantly from the contractual cash flows. The principal differences are as follows:

- demand deposits from customers are expected to remain stable or increase;
- unrecognised loan commitments are not all expected to be drawn down immediately; and
- retail mortgage loans have an original contractual maturity of between 10 and 15 years. But an average expected maturity of six years because customers take advantage of early repayment options.

As part of the management of liquidity risk arising from financial liabilities, the Group holds liquid assets comprising cash and cash equivalents, and debt securities issued by Central Bank of Nigeria, which can be readily sold to meet liquidity requirements. In addition, the Group maintains agreed lines of credit with other financial institutions and holds unencumbered assets eligible for use as collateral with Central Banks.

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iii. Liquidity reserves

The table below sets out the components of the Group's liquidity reserve.

In thousands of Naira		31 DEC 2022		31 DEC 2021	
	Note	Carrying amount	Fair value	Carrying amount	Fair value
Balances with central banks	21	27,681,424	27,681,424	45,388,016	45,388,016
Cash and balances with other banks	21	219,804,199	219,804,199	317,312,067	317,312,067
Unencumbered debt securities issued by Central Bank of Nigeria		573,495,667	623,817,058	320,838,082	292,239,604
Total liquidity reserve		**820,981,290**	**871,302,681**	**683,538,165**	**654,939,687**

Included in the unencumbered debt securities issued by central banks are; Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) Bonds N299.19billion (31 December 2021: N172.12billion), Treasury Bills N162.41billion (31 December 2021: N146.18billion) under note 23(a), 26(a) and (b).

iv. Financial assets available to support future funding

The table below shows availability of the Group's financial assets to support future funding:

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		Encumbered		Unencumbered		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Pledged as collateral	Other*	Available as collateral	Other**	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	21	-	-	247,485,623	-	247,485,623
Restricted reserve deposits	28	-	493,359,709	-	-	493,359,709
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	-	-	-	160,730,775	160,730,775
Loans and advances	26	-	-	-	1,195,626,586	1,195,626,586
Assets pledged as collateral	25	79,009,207	-	-	-	79,009,207
Investment securities	24	-	-	524,573,025	-	524,573,025
Other assets (net)	27	-	-		183,811,486	183,811,486
Total assets		**79,009,207**	**493,359,709**	**772,058,648**	**1,540,168,847**	**2,884,596,411**

31 DEC 2021

		Encumbered		Unencumbered		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Pledged as collateral	Other*	Available as collateral	Other**	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	21	-	-	362,700,083	-	362,700,083
Restricted reserve deposits	28	-	329,739,147	-	-	329,739,147
Non-pledged Trading assets	22(a)	-	-	-	41,538,274	41,538,274
Loans and advances	26	-	-	-	1,063,589,192	1,063,589,192
Assets pledged as collateral	25	115,456,683	-	-	-	115,456,683
Investment securities	24	-	-	372,548,333	-	372,548,333
Other assets (net)	27	-	-		121,767,515	121,767,515
Total assets		**115,456,683**	**329,739,147**	**735,248,416**	**1,226,894,981**	**2,407,339,227**

* Represents assets which are not pledged but the Group believes they are restricted (either by law or other reasons) from being used to secure funding.

** These are assets that are available i.e. not restricted as collateral to secure funding but the Group would not consider them as readily available in the course of regular business.

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Financial assets pledged as collateral

The total financial assets recognised in the statement of financial position that had been pledged as collateral for liabilities at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 are shown in the preceding table.

Financial assets are pledged as collateral as part of securities borrowing, clearing and client's collection transactions under terms that are usual and customary for such activities.

d. Market Risk

Market risk is the risk that changes in market prices such as interest rate, equity/commodity prices, foreign exchange rates will affect the Group's income or the value of its holdings in financial instruments. The objective of the Group's market risk management is to manage and control market risk exposures within acceptable parameters in order to ensure the Group's solvency while optimizing the return on risk.

Management of market risk

Market risk is the risk that movements in market factors, including foreign exchange rates and interest rates, credit spreads and equity prices, will reduce the Group's income or the value of its portfolios. The Group classifies its market risk into asset and liability management (ALM) risk, investment risk and trading risk.

The Group separates its market risk exposures between trading and non-trading portfolios. Trading portfolios are mainly held by the Treasury and Financial Services Division and include positions from market making and proprietary positions taking, together with financial assets and liabilities that are managed on fair value basis. Non-trading portfolios are mainly held by Asset and Liability Management (ALM) Department and include portfolios held under amortised cost and fair value through other comprehensive income.

The Group has a robust methodology, and procedures for the identification, assessment, control, monitoring and reporting of market risks within its trading portfolio and the rest of the Group's balance sheet. The Market Risk Management Unit within Risk Management Division is responsible for measuring market risk exposures in accordance with the policies defined by the Board, monitoring and reporting the exposures against the prescribed limits.

Overall authority for market risk is vested by the Board in ALCO, which sets up limits for each type of risk in aggregate. However, Market and Liquidity Risk Department within Risk Management is responsible for limit tracking and reporting to the Chief Risk Officer and ultimately, Assets and Liability Committee. The Group employs a range of tools to monitor and ensure risk acceptance is kept within defined limit. Detail of market risk exposures as at 31 December 2022 are provided below.

Market risk measures:

The table below sets out the allocation of assets and liabilities subject to price risk, classified by trading and non-trading portfolio.

31 DEC 2022

		GROUP			COMPANY		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Trading portfolios	Non-trading portfolios	Carrying amount	Trading portfolios	Non-trading portfolios
Assets subject to market risk:							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	247,485,623	-	247,485,623	30,607	-	30,607
Restricted reserve deposits	28	493,359,709	-	493,359,709	-	-	-
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	160,730,775	160,730,775	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	26	1,195,626,586	-	1,195,626,586	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25	79,009,207	-	79,009,207	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	524,573,025	-	524,573,025	8,023,508	-	8,023,508
Other financial assets (net)	27(a)(c)	183,811,486	-	183,811,486	6,334,672	-	6,334,672
Liabilities subject to market risk:							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	1,883,937	1,883,937	-	-	-	-
Deposits from banks	34	124,365,459	-	124,365,459	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	1,944,908,569	-	1,944,908,569	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	88,364,968	-	88,364,968	856,858	-	856,858
On-lending facilities	39	249,191,651	-	249,191,651	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	84,745,841	-	84,745,841	-	-	-
Other financial liabilities	37(a)	183,363,822	-	183,363,822	7,649,281	-	7,649,281

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		GROUP			COMPANY		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Trading portfolios	Non-trading portfolios	Carrying amount	Trading portfolios	Non-trading portfolios
Assets subject to market risk:							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	362,700,083	-	362,700,083	621,755	-	621,755
Restricted reserve deposits	28	329,739,147	-	329,739,147	-	-	-
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	41,538,274	41,538,274	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	26	1,063,589,192	-	1,063,589,192	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25	115,456,683	-	115,456,683	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	372,548,333	-	372,548,333	6,007,162	-	6,007,162
Other financial assets (net)	27(a)(c)	121,767,515	-	121,767,515	7,836,385	-	7,836,385
Liabilities subject to market risk:							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	5,174,902	5,174,902	-	-	-	-
Deposits from banks	34	160,746,916	-	160,746,916	-		-
Deposits from customers	35	1,554,413,623	-	1,554,413,623	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	80,704,066	-	80,704,066	-	-	-
On-lending facilities	39	157,873,774	-	157,873,774	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	78,493,492	-	78,493,492	-	-	-
Other financial liabilities	37(a)	191,853,091	-	191,853,091	7,190,462	-	7,190,462

Exposure to interest rate risk - non-trading portfolios

The principal risk to which non-trading portfolios are exposed is the risk of loss arising from fluctuations in the fair values of future cash flows from financial instruments because of a change in the market interest rate. Interest rate risk is managed principally through active monitoring of gaps and by having pre-approved limits for repricing bands. ALCO is the monitoring body for compliance with these limits and is assisted by Treasury and Financial Services Division.

A summary of the interest rate gap position on non-trading portfolios is as follows:

GROUP

		31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Rate sensitive	Non-rate sensitive	Carrying amount	Rate sensitive	Non-rate sensitive
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	247,485,623	26,468,690	221,016,933	362,700,083	48,930,395	313,769,688
Restricted reserve deposits	28	493,359,709	-	493,359,709	329,739,147	-	329,739,147
Loans and advances to customers (gross)	26	1,246,739,645	1,246,739,645	-	1,113,157,620	1,113,157,620	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25	79,009,207	79,009,207	-	115,456,683	115,456,683	-
Investment securities	24	524,573,025	486,960,404	37,612,621	372,548,333	347,719,380	24,828,953
Other financial assets (gross)	27(a)	212,595,687	-	212,595,687	142,976,857	-	142,976,857
		2,803,762,896	**1,839,177,946**	**964,584,950**	**2,436,578,723**	**1,625,264,078**	**811,314,645**
Liabilities							
Deposits from banks	34	124,365,459	124,365,459	-	160,746,916	160,746,916	-
Deposits from customers	35	1,944,908,569	1,944,908,569	-	1,554,413,623	1,554,413,623	-
Borrowings	41	88,364,968	88,364,968	-	80,704,066	80,704,066	-
On-lending facilities	39	249,191,651	249,191,651	-	157,873,774	157,873,774	-
Debt securities issued	40	84,745,841	23,704,652	61,041,189	78,493,492	21,529,975	56,963,517
Other financial liabilities	37(a)	183,363,822	-	183,363,822	191,853,091	-	191,853,091
		2,674,940,310	**2,430,535,299**	**244,405,011**	**2,224,084,962**	**1,975,268,354**	**248,816,608**
Total interest repricing gap		**128,822,586**	**(591,357,353)**	**720,179,939**	**212,493,761**	**(350,004,276)**	**562,498,037**

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GROUP

In thousands of Naira	Note	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
31 DEC 2022								
Assets subject to market interest rate risk:								
Cash and cash equivalents	21	26,468,690	-	-	-	-	-	26,468,690
Loans and advances to customers (gross)	26	230,867,766	133,836,065	102,570,677	134,075,402	429,896,037	215,493,698	1,246,739,645
Assets pledged as collateral	25	8,323,703	17,926,500	1,700,000	-	23,980,000	27,079,004	79,009,207
Investment securities	24	46,221,326	125,570,320	13,370,249	15,273,808	66,618,380	219,906,321	486,960,404
		311,881,485	**277,332,885**	**117,640,926**	**149,349,210**	**520,494,417**	**622,911,755**	**1,999,610,678**
Liabilities subject to market interest rate risk:								
Deposits from banks	34	124,365,459	-	-	-	-	-	124,365,459
Deposits from customers	35	1,402,286,027	217,743,980	161,218,569	160,819,642	2,840,351	-	1,944,908,569
Borrowings	41	25,466,409	-	-	10,144,200	52,754,359	-	88,364,968
On-lending facilities	39	11,390,734	4,483,904	4,195,854	9,772,824	94,862,913	124,485,422	249,191,651
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	23,704,652	-	23,704,652
		1,563,508,629	**222,227,884**	**165,414,423**	**180,736,666**	**174,162,275**	**124,485,422**	**2,430,535,299**
Total interest repricing gap		**(1,251,627,144)**	**55,105,001**	**(47,773,497)**	**(31,387,456)**	**346,332,142**	**498,426,333**	**(430,924,621)**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Assets subject to market interest rate risk:								
Cash and cash equivalents	21	48,930,395	-	-	-	-	-	48,930,395
Loans and advances to customers (gross)	26	185,963,366	89,294,390	132,485,430	132,729,236	411,972,594	160,712,604	1,113,157,620
Assets pledged as collateral	25	9,988,878	13,596,500	4,173,986	11,300,000	36,217,423	40,179,896	115,456,683
Investment securities	24	117,518,090	50,232,442	27,399,898	10,479,010	18,695,910	123,394,030	347,719,380
		362,400,729	**153,123,332**	**164,059,314**	**154,508,246**	**466,885,927**	**324,286,530**	**1,625,264,078**
Liabilities subject to market interest rate risk:								
Deposits from banks	34	56,580,516	-	-	104,166,400	-	-	160,746,916
Deposits from customers	35	1,166,161,990	128,925,310	162,095,560	95,312,247	1,918,516	-	1,554,413,623
Borrowings	41	-	-	-	2,320,868	78,383,198	-	80,704,066
On-lending facilities	39	1,145,210	1,930,973	5,206,857	13,431,937	67,433,966	68,724,831	157,873,774
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	21,529,975	-	21,529,975
		1,223,887,716	**130,856,283**	**167,302,417**	**215,231,452**	**169,265,655**	**68,724,831**	**1,975,268,354**
Total interest repricing gap		**(861,486,987)**	**22,267,049**	**(3,243,103)**	**(60,723,206)**	**297,620,272**	**255,561,699**	**(350,004,276)**

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		31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Rate sensitive	Non-rate sensitive	Carrying amount	Rate sensitive	Non-rate sensitive
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	30,607	-	30,607	621,755	-	621,755
Restricted reserve deposits	25	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers (gross)	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	8,023,508	8,023,508	-	6,007,162	6,175,559	(168,397)
Other financial assets (gross)	27(a)	6,426,859	-	6,426,859	7,928,572	-	7,928,572
		14,480,974	**8,023,508**	**6,457,466**	**14,557,489**	**6,175,559**	**8,381,930**
Liabilities							
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	856,858	856,858	-	-	-	-
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other financial liabilities	37(a)	7,649,281	-	7,649,281	7,190,462	-	7,190,462
		8,506,139	**856,858**	**7,649,281**	**7,190,462**	**-**	**7,190,462**
Total interest repricing gap		**5,974,835**	**7,166,650**	**(1,191,815)**	**7,367,027**	**6,175,559**	**1,191,468**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
31 DEC 2022								
Assets subject to market interest rate risk:								
Cash and cash equivalents	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers (gross)	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	8,023,508	-	-	-	-	-	8,023,508
		8,023,508	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**8,023,508**
Liabilities subject to market risk:								
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	-	-	-	856,858	-	-	856,858
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	856,858	-	-	856,858
Total interest repricing gap		**8,023,508**	**-**	**-**	**(856,858)**	**-**	**-**	**7,166,650**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	0 - 30 days	31 - 90 days	91 - 180 days	181 - 365 days	1 - 5 years	Above 5 years	Total
Assets subject to market interest rate risk:								
Cash and cash equivalents	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances to customers	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	6,007,162	-	-	-	-	-	6,007,162
Total assets sensitive		**6,007,162**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**6,007,162**
Liabilities subject to market risk:								
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total interest repricing gap		**6,007,162**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**6,007,162**

Sensitivity of projected net interest income

The management of interest rate risk against interest rate gap is supplemented by monitoring the sensitivity of the Group's financial assets and liabilities to various standard and non standard interest rate scenarios. Standard scenarios that are considered on a monthly basis include 50 basis points and 100 basis points (bps) parallel fall or rise. The financial assets and liabilities sensitive to interest rate risk are loans and advances, cash and cash equivalents (placements), assets pledged as collateral (treasury bills and FGN Bonds), investment securities (treasury bills, FGN Bonds, state government bonds and corporate bonds) and deposits from banks, deposits from customers, borrowings, on-lending facilities and debt securities issued. A weighted average rate has been applied and the effects are shown in the table below:

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	Gross amount	Weighted average interest rate	Interest due at current weighted average rate	50bps	(50bps)	100bps	Total (100bps)
31 DEC 2022							
Non-trading assets subject to rate sensitivity	1,999,610,678	11%	219,551,592	229,549,645	209,553,539	239,547,699	199,555,485
Non-trading liabilities subject to rate sensitivity	2,430,535,299	4%	(97,554,170)	(109,706,846)	(85,401,494)	(121,859,523)	(73,248,817)
			121,997,422	**119,842,799**	**124,152,045**	**117,688,176**	**126,306,668**
Impact on net interest income				**(2,154,623)**	**2,154,623**	**(4,309,246)**	**4,309,246**
31 DEC 2021							
Non-trading assets subject to rate sensitivity	1,625,264,078	10%	162,041,604	170,167,924	153,915,284	178,294,245	145,788,963
Non-trading liabilities subject to rate sensitivity	1,975,268,354	4%	(71,127,766)	(81,004,108)	(61,251,424)	(90,880,450)	(51,375,082)
			90,913,838	**89,163,816**	**92,663,860**	**87,413,795**	**94,413,881**
Impact on net interest income				**(1,750,022)**	**1,750,022**	**(3,500,043)**	**3,500,043**

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In thousands of Naira	Gross amount	Weighted average interest rate	Interest due at current weighted average rate	50bps	(50bps)	100bps	Total (100bps)
31 DEC 2022							
Non-trading assets subject to rate sensitivity	8,023,508	7%	566,314	606,432	526,196	646,549	486,079
Non-trading liabilities subject to rate sensitivity	856,858	1%	(6,858)	(11,142)	(2,574)	(15,427)	1,711
			559,456	**595,290**	**523,622**	**631,122**	**487,790**
Impact on net interest income				**35,834**	**(35,834)**	**71,666**	**(71,666)**

31 DEC 2021							
Non-trading assets subject to rate sensitivity	6,007,162	7%	433,307	463,343	403,271	493,379	373,235
Non-trading liabilities subject to rate sensitivity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			433,307	**463,343**	**403,271**	**493,379**	**373,235**
Impact on net interest income				**30,036**	**(30,036)**	**60,072**	**(60,072)**

Exposure to other market risk non-trading portfolios

The non-trading book includes the loans, deposits, investments, placements, etc. Price risk in non-trading portfolios is measured with portfolio duration and convexity. The sensitivity of earnings to specified upward and downward instantaneous parallel 50 and 100 basis point shifts in the yield curve, over one-year horizons under business-as-usual conditions assuming static portfolio indicates the potential risk.

Exposure to market risk - trading portfolios

The principal tools used by Treasury Risk Management Department to measure and control market risk exposure within the Group's trading portfolios are the open position limits, mark-to-market analysis, value at-risk analysis, sensitivity analysis and earning-at-risk analysis. Limit measurements (regulatory and internal) across the trading portfolios have been clearly defined, in line with the Group's overall risk appetite. These set limits shall prevent undue exposure in the event of abrupt market volatility. The Treasury Risk Management Department ensures that these limits and triggers are adhered to by the Treasury Division.

The trading book includes the Treasury Bills and Federal Government of Nigeria bonds. The sensitivity to earnings was not considered because it does not have material impact on earnings.

Foreign exchange risk

FCMB takes on foreign exchange risks through its activities in both the trading and banking books. The Group engages in currency trading on behalf of itself and creates foreign currency positions on the banking book in the course of its financial intermediation role. The Group is thus exposed to the risk of loss on both its trading and banking book positions in the event of adverse movements in currency prices. The mark-to-market currency rates applied are the rates published by Central Bank of Nigeria.

However, the Group sets exposure limits (open position limits) at currency levels and uses a combination of counterparty, dealer and stop loss limits to manage market risks inherent in all foreign currency trading positions. All limits are set for both overnight and intra-day positions and approved by the Board of Directors. Compliance with the Board approved limits is enforced through daily monitoring by the Risk Management Division.

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The table below summarises foreign currency exposures of the Group as at the year ended:

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In thousands of Naira	Note	NGN	USD	GBP	EUR	Others	Grand total
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	64,928,268	163,125,354	7,259,482	10,034,820	2,137,699	247,485,623
Restricted reserve deposit	28	493,359,709	-	-	-	-	493,359,709
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	160,730,775	-	-	-	-	160,730,775
Loans and advances (net)	26	691,606,042	500,197,832	117,765	3,704,947	-	1,195,626,586
Investment securities	24	353,534,088	171,038,937	-	-	-	524,573,025
Asset pledged as collateral	25	79,009,207	-	-	-	-	79,009,207
Other assets	27	180,239,594	3,539,335	28,641	3,916	-	183,811,486
Total assets		**2,024,261,392**	**837,901,458**	**7,405,888**	**13,743,683**	**2,137,699**	**2,885,450,120**
Liabilities							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	1,883,937	-	-	-	-	1,883,937
Deposits from customers	35	1,523,405,836	410,837,654	3,948,886	6,716,179	14	1,944,908,569
Deposits from banks	34	11,225,529	113,139,930	-	-	-	124,365,459
Borrowings	41	25,466,409	62,898,559	-	-	-	88,364,968
On-lending facilities	39	249,191,651	-	-	-	-	249,191,651
Debt securities issued	40	31,410,391	53,335,450	-	-	-	84,745,841
Provision	38	5,204,023	2,310,861	-	-	-	7,514,884
Other liabilities	37	76,303,062	99,588,727	663,287	4,693,726	2,115,020	183,363,822
Total Liabilities		**1,924,090,838**	**742,111,181**	**4,612,173**	**11,409,905**	**2,115,034**	**2,684,339,131**
Net on-balance sheet financial position		**100,170,554**	**95,790,277**	**2,793,715**	**2,333,778**	**22,665**	**201,110,989**
Off-balance sheet financial position	45	**166,881,056**	**132,572,673**	**663,287.00**	**4,693,726**	**2,115,020**	**306,925,762**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	NGN	USD	GBP	EUR	Others	Grand total
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	73,890,329	255,924,169	8,811,507	18,970,447	5,103,631	362,700,083
Restricted reserve deposit	28	329,739,147	-	-	-	-	329,739,147
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	41,538,274	-	-	-	-	41,538,274
Loans and advances (net)	26	627,311,804	434,646,393	64,432	1,566,563	-	1,063,589,192
Investment securities	24	268,422,764	104,125,569	-	-	-	372,548,333
Asset pledged as collateral	25	115,456,683	-	-	-	-	115,456,683
Other assets	27	119,128,008	1,979,575	40,539	70,067	549,326	121,767,515
Total assets		**1,575,487,009**	**796,675,706**	**8,916,478**	**20,607,077**	**5,652,957**	**2,407,339,227**
Liabilities							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	5,174,902	-	-	-	-	5,174,902
Deposits from customers	35	1,126,319,280	418,957,568	4,755,442	4,381,318	15	1,554,413,623
Deposits from banks	34	13,011,219.00	147,735,697	-	-	-	160,746,916
Borrowings	41	17,264,470.00	63,439,596	-	-	-	80,704,066
On-lending facilities	39	157,873,774	-	-	-	-	157,873,774
Debt securities issued	40	31,761,708	46,731,784	-	-	-	78,493,492
Provision	38	4,624,047	2,123,223	-	-	-	6,747,270
Other liabilities	37	135,064,335	49,433,471	161,213	2,648,371	4,545,701	191,853,091
Total Liabilities		**1,491,093,735**	**728,421,339**	**4,916,655**	**7,029,689**	**4,545,716**	**2,236,007,134**
Net on-balance sheet financial position		**84,393,274**	**68,254,367**	**3,999,823**	**13,577,388**	**1,107,241**	**171,332,093**
Off-balance sheet financial position	45	**183,204,320**	**91,811,366**	**95,102**	**2,098,178**	**100,206**	**277,309,172**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	NGN	USD	GBP	EUR	Others	Grand total
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	30,607	-	-	-	-	30,607
Restricted reserve deposit	28	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances (net)	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	8,023,508	-	-	-	-	8,023,508
Investment in subsidiaries	29	132,228,197	-	-	-	-	132,228,197
Asset pledged as collateral	25	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets	27	6,334,672	-	-	-	-	6,334,672
Total assets		**146,616,984**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**146,616,984**
Liabilities							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	856,858	-	-	-	-	856,858
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision	38	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	37	7,649,281	-	-	-	-	7,649,281
Total Liabilities		**8,506,139**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**8,506,139**
Net on-balance sheet financial position		**138,110,845**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**138,110,845**
Off-balance sheet financial position	45	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

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In thousands of Naira	Note	NGN	USD	GBP	EUR	Others	Grand total
Assets							
Cash and cash equivalents	21	621,755	-	-	-	-	621,755
Restricted reserve deposit	28	-	-	-	-	-	-
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans and advances (net)	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities	24	6,007,162	-	-	-	-	6,007,162
Investment in subsidiaries	29	127,378,197	-	-	-	-	127,378,197
Asset pledged as collateral	25	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other assets	27	7,849,591	-	-	-	-	7,849,591
Total assets		**141,856,705**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**141,856,705**
Liabilities							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from customers	35	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposits from banks	34	-	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowings	41	-	-	-	-	-	-
On-lending facilities	39	-	-	-	-	-	-
Debt securities issued	40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Provision	38	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other liabilities	37	7,505,765	-	-	-	-	7,505,765
Total Liabilities		**7,505,765**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**7,505,765**
Net on-balance sheet financial position		**134,350,940**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**134,350,940**
Off-balance sheet financial position	45	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

In line with Central Bank of Nigeria guidelines, percentage of foreign borrowings to the shareholders' fund as at 31 December 2022 is 45.7% (31 December 2021: 31.89%) which is below the limit of 125%.

Exposure to currency risks – non-trading portfolios

At 31 December 2022, if foreign exchange rates at that date had been 10 percent lower with all other variables held constant, profit and equity for the year would have been N9.60billion (31 December 2021: N6.83billion) lower, arising mainly as a result of the decrease in revaluation of loans as compared to borrowings, foreign currency deposits and other foreign currency liabilities. If foreign exchange rates had been 10 percent higher, with all other variables held constant, profit and equity would have been N9.60billion (31 December 2021: N6.83billion) higher, arising mainly as a result of higher increase in revaluation of loans and advances than the increase on borrowings, foreign currency deposits and other foreign currency liabilities.

Foreign exchange risk (USD)

The following analysis details the Group's sensitivity to a 10 percent increase and decrease in the value of the Naira against USD as the Group is mainly exposed to USD. 10 percent is the sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. The table below summarises the impact on profit or loss and equity for each category of USD financial instruments held as at 31 December 2022. It includes the Group's USD financial instruments carried at Nigerian Autonomous Foreign Exchange Rate Fixing (NAFEX) rate at N461.10/$.

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	31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Carrying amount	10% decrease in the value of Naira against USD	10% increase in the value of Naira against USD	Carrying amount	10% decrease in the value of Naira against USD	10% increase in the value of Naira against USD
Financial assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	163,125,354	16,312,535	(16,312,535)	255,924,169	25,592,417	(25,592,417)
Loans and advances to customers	500,197,832	50,019,783	(50,019,783)	434,646,393	43,464,639	(43,464,639)
Investment securities	171,038,937	17,103,894	(17,103,894)	104,125,569	10,412,557	(10,412,557)
Other assets	3,539,335	353,934	(353,934)	1,979,575	197,958	(197,958)
Impact on financial assets	**837,901,458**	**83,790,146**	**(83,790,146)**	**796,675,706**	**79,667,571**	**(79,667,571)**
Financial liabilities						
Deposits from banks	113,139,930	11,313,993	(11,313,993)	147,735,697	14,773,570	(14,773,570)
Deposits from customers	410,837,654	41,083,765	(41,083,765)	418,957,568	41,895,757	(41,895,757)
Borrowings	62,898,559	6,289,856	(6,289,856)	63,439,596	6,343,960	(6,343,960)
Debt securities issued	53,335,450	5,333,545	(5,333,545)	46,731,784	4,673,178	(4,673,178)
Provision	2,310,861	231,086	(231,086)	2,123,223	212,322	(212,322)
Other liabilities	99,588,727	9,958,873	(9,958,873)	49,433,471	4,943,347	(4,943,347)
Impact on financial liabilities	**742,111,181**	**74,211,118**	**(74,211,118)**	**728,421,339**	**72,842,134**	**(72,842,134)**
Total increase / (decrease)	**95,790,277**	**9,579,028**	**(9,579,028)**	**68,254,367**	**6,825,437**	**(6,825,437)**

Foreign exchange risk (GBP)

The following analysis details the Group's sensitivity to a 10 percent increase and decrease in the value of the Naira against GBP as the Group is mainly exposed to GBP. 10 percent is the sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. The table below summarises the impact on profit or loss and equity for each category of GBP financial instruments held as at 31 December 2022. It includes the Group's GBP financial instruments at carrying amounts.

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	31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Carrying amount	10% decrease in the value of Naira against USD	10% increase in the value of Naira against USD	Carrying amount	10% decrease in the value of Naira against USD	10% increase in the value of Naira against USD
Financial assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	7,259,482	725,948	(725,948)	8,811,507	881,151	(881,151)
Loans and advances to customers	117,765	11,777	(11,777)	64,432	6,443	(6,443)
Other assets	28,641	2,864	(2,864)	40,539	4,054	(4,054)
Impact on financial assets	**7,405,888**	**740,589**	**(740,589)**	**8,916,478**	**891,648**	**(891,648)**
Financial liabilities						
Deposits from customers	3,948,886	394,889	(394,889)	4,755,442	475,544	(475,544)
Other liabilities	663,287	66,329	(66,329)	161,213	16,121	(16,121)
Impact on financial liabilities	**4,612,173**	**461,218**	**(461,218)**	**4,916,655**	**491,665**	**(491,665)**
Total increase / (decrease)	**2,793,715**	**279,371**	**(279,371)**	**3,999,823**	**399,983**	**(399,983)**

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Foreign exchange risk (EUR)

The following analysis details the Group's sensitivity to a 10 percent increase and decrease in the value of the Naira against EUR as the Group is mainly exposed to EUR. 10 percent is the sensitivity rate used when reporting foreign currency risk internally and represents management's assessment of the reasonably possible change in foreign exchange rates. The table below summarises the impact on profit or loss and equity for each category of EUR financial instruments held as at 31 December 2022. It includes the Group's EUR financial instruments at carrying amounts.

GROUP	31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Carrying amount	10% decrease in the value of Naira against EUR	10% increase in the value of Naira against EUR	Carrying amount	10% decrease in the value of Naira against EUR	10% increase in the value of Naira against EUR
Financial assets						
Cash and cash equivalents	10,034,820	1,003,482	(1,003,482)	18,970,447	1,897,045	(1,897,045)
Loans and advances to customers	3,704,947	370,495	(370,495)	1,566,563	156,656	(156,656)
Other assets	3,916	392	(392)	70,067	7,007	(7,007)
Impact on financial assets	**13,743,683**	**1,374,369**	**(1,374,369)**	**20,607,077**	**2,060,708**	**(2,060,708)**
Financial liabilities						
Deposits from customers	6,716,179	671,618	(671,618)	4,381,318	438,132	(438,132)
Other liabilities	4,693,726	469,373	(469,373)	2,648,371	264,837	(264,837)
Impact on financial liabilities	**11,409,905**	**1,140,991**	**(1,140,991)**	**7,029,689**	**702,969**	**(702,969)**
Total increase / (decrease)	**2,333,778**	**233,378**	**(233,378)**	**13,577,388**	**1,357,739**	**(1,357,739)**

(e) Operational Risk Management

FCMB defines operational risk as the risk of loss resulting from inadequate or failed internal processes, people and systems and/or from external events. Our operational risk processes capture the following major types of losses/exposures:

- Fraud (internal and external).
- Fines, penalties or expenses incurred as a result of settlement delays and regulatory infractions.
- Losses arising from litigation processes including out-of-court settlements.
- Un-reconciled cash (teller, vault, ATM) shortages written-off in the course of the period.
- Losses incurred as a result of damages to physical assets.
- Losses incurred as a result of disruption to business or system failure - system malfunction, downtime and/or disruption.

The Group's appetite for operational risk losses is set by the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee and reviewed on an annual basis, and this sets the tone for operational risk management practices in the course of the period.

The appetite is set in terms of the maximum amount of operational risk losses the Group expects to incur given risk-reward considerations for the period.

All business and process owners across the Group proactively identifies threats/risks across their respective functions, activities, processes and systems using the process risk assessment and risk and control self-assessment (RCSA). The Risk Management Division validates the results from the assessments for reasonability, completeness and recommends appropriate mitigating controls to reduce or eliminate inherent process risks. The Group conducts RCSA twice in a year and there is regular update of the risk register, triggered by change(s) to processes, activities, systems or other factors such as introduction of new product/service or the occurrence of risk events.

The results of the process risk assessments and completed RCSAs are further subjected to analysis by the Risk Management Department in order to understand the major threats to the achievement of corporate objectives and their root causes. The outcomes of such assessments, apart from being escalated to the Executive Management and Board, are useful for improving the control environment. They are a risk-based form of addressing major issues that cut across all functions in the Group, thereby increasing effectiveness and efficiency of resolution. The Group also conducts risk assessment for all new products and services, including any major changes to existing products, services and processes.

Key risk indicators (KRIs) are used to track and measure as well as monitor operational risk exposures across all activities, processes and systems. KRIs are defined for significant risks that require active monitoring and control. This process enables the Group to identify and resolve risk issues and control failure points before they crystallize into losses. Thresholds are set for each risk indicator and used as the basis for reporting risk exposures to the respective risk committees, including the Operational Risk Committee and the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee.

Operational risk losses are periodically collated and analyzed by the Risk Management Division. The analyzed loss experience enables the Group to determine causal factors and put in place new controls/processes to prevent the re-occurrence of adverse events. In addition, the loss collation and analysis process provides the Group with the basis for justifying the cost of new/improving controls and assessing their effectiveness.

The Group's loss experience is escalated to the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee supported by clearly defined action plans to remediate the root causes leading to the losses. Periodic operational risk meetings are held across all functions to boost risk awareness and entrench risk management culture in the Group. This meeting also affords risk owners to enhance their knowledge of risk management, identify control gaps and proffer remedial actions.

Operational risk management processes have been linked to performance management through the use of a risk and control index (RCI) that represents a key component of employee performance appraisals. This initiative has helped to drive the desired behaviour in employees, ensuring that there is a concerted effort by all employees to manage operational risks across the Group.

Independent assurance of the adequacy and effectiveness of the operational risk management process is provided by the Group Internal Audit (GIA) function on an annual basis. The assessment report is presented to the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee as part of the annual review process.

The Group uses a combination of provision and insurance to mitigate residual risks arising from operational risk events. A number of insurance policies have been undertaken by the Group to minimize losses in the event of an operational risk incident while provision is also made for expected operational risk losses in order to minimise variations in the financial performance of the Group.

Capital is reserved for unexpected operational risks losses based on Basel II Basic Indicator Approach, as advised by the Central Bank of Nigeria. Enhanced operational risk practices will enable the Group adopt the more advanced approaches for operational risk capital computation in the near future - the Revised Standardized Approach.

The implemented operational risk management structures provide the Group with the capacity to continuously improve its processes and controls, thereby minimizing losses and protecting shareholder value. The Operational risk management processes have been automated and the Operational Risk champions across all functions of the organozation report operational risk incidents using the operational risk management software.

Operational risk loss experience

The Group continues to manage its various operational risk exposures in order to be within the Board approved risk appetite. It also ensures that all operational risk losses are recognised immediately in the financial year.

In line with the provisions of the Basel II Accord, operational risk within credit and market risks is duly recognised for effective management. Boundary events are considered when capturing operational risk events in the loss database, which implies that only incidents considered to have operational risk undertone in other risk areas are considered.

Existing controls have been strengthened to address the identified lapses and the Group continues to collaborate with other stakeholders, including regulators to curb the spate of fraud, including cyber risk exposures, which has escalated in recent times across the industry because of remote operations, increased automation and migration of customers to alternate channels.

In response to the observed trend, and emerging risks, the Group took the following measures to curb the spate of operational risk events:

- Establishment of a fraud monitoring desk.
- Implementation of an operational risk management software and automation of the operational risk management process.
- Implementation of an enterprise fraud monitoring solution.
- Implementation of an automated fraud alert system that monitors suspicious inflow (transactions from other banks) and outflow transactions from various e-channel platforms based on fraud trends.
- Monthly operational risk/ fraud awareness tips sent to customers and periodic fraud awareness training for staff.

- Proactive implementation of fraud prevention rules on transacting applications based on global and local fraud trends, and in line with the Group's risk appetite.
- Activities around the major areas of vulnerabilities are reviewed in order to strengthen the controls in these areas.
- A second level (two-factor) authentication is being extended to critical internal and alternate channel applications.

Information and cyber security management has received increased attention in the Group. The information security office (ISO) has been restructured to improve security monitoring and incident response. Also, the Group has developed a cyber security strategy and approved the implementation of security tools including the security operations centre(SOC). Implementation of the cybersecurity strategy has reached an advanced stage with requisite skills upgrade within the Information Security Office and the appointment of a Chief Information security Officer (CISO).

Operational risk management function in FCMB extends to the management of legal, reputational and strategic risks.

Strategic risk: the risk of incurring an economic loss as a result of adverse impact of internal and external factors on the Group's earnings and/or ability to achieve its strategic objectives. It is the current or prospective risk to earnings and capital arising from adverse business decisions, improper implementation of decisions or lack of responsiveness to changes in the business environment. It is also the risk associated with future business plans and strategies, including plans for entering new business lines, expanding existing services and enhancing infrastructure.

The Group is exposed to strategic risks in its business planning activities and to strategic execution risk in all key operations impacted by the Group's strategy. The crystallization of this risk could occur as a result of wrong strategic/ business decisions (e.g. poorly planned and executed decisions regarding mergers, divestures, acquisitions, etc.), inadequate corporate strategy, improper analysis that can impact the implementation of key decisions, inability to respond promptly to business opportunities, lack of responsiveness to industry changes, improper communication of the Group's strategic objectives, inability to recruit personnel with skills and experience required to execute strategy and lack of complete and accurate information. These could all directly or indirectly erode the Group's earnings.

FCMB addresses strategic risk through its strategic risk management framework, providing guidance for the management of the Group's strategic risks. It describes the processes, systems and controls established by the Group to identify, assess, monitor, control and report strategic risk. The Group also has a three year rolling corporate strategy plan, which is reviewed annually and closely monitored to ensure that strategic plans are properly aligned with the Group's operating model. The Group scans the environment for any economic, regulatory, legal and political changes that might affect its strategy.

Reputational risk: The potential loss due to damage or erosion of goodwill as a result of failed risk management, weak corporate governance practices, environmental, social and ethical performance, poor customer relationship management practices, non-compliance with regulatory and statutory requirements, weak financial performance or any other factor that affects stakeholders perception of the Group.

Reputational risks to the Group could crystallize as a result of operating in a highly regulated environment with significant vulnerability to regulatory actions that may adversely impact the Group's reputation. FCMB recognizes the following as its sources of reputational risk, among others:

- Poor corporate governance: conflict of interest, executive compensation, influence on Board members, insider related lending.
- Compliance breaches: violation of regulations and laws, aiding/abetting illegal activities, tax structures or fraud, fraudulent disclosures.
- Poor employee relations: discrimination/harassment, poor employment conditions and welfare.
- Poor financial performance: missed projection and earnings surprise, significant earnings volatility, financial irregularities.
- Social, environmental and ethical: bribes/kick-backs, facilitating corruption, community / environmental neglect.
- Control failures: significant operational risk failures.
- Communication/crisis management: adverse stakeholder relations (media, investors, regulators, customers, trade unions, etc.);
- Poor customer relationship management: mis-selling, unfair/deceptive practices (e.g. high pricing, hidden transaction costs, illegal charges, over-charging, etc.), mishandling of complaints, privacy/confidentiality breaches.

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Reputational risk can materialize as a result of adverse opinions of stakeholders, operating losses, litigation, sanctions or fines imposed by regulators, failure of directors, management and staff to adhere to ethical code of conduct, failure to deliver quality service to customers, failure to address issues of public concern, labour unrest and failure to adhere to good employment practices. Consequently, the Group could suffer loss due to decline in customer base and loss of market share as well as deterioration of brand value.

The reputational risk management framework outlines how reputation risk is to be identified, assessed, mitigated and monitored. The Business and Operational Risk Management Department monitors the major drivers of this risk. The Group also has formal policies (whistle blower policies, confidentiality policies, performance management framework and policies, code of business ethics, service delivery model, CRM Strategy/Service Charter, etc.) and procedures to control exposure to its recognized reputational risk drivers. In addition, the Group has developed a self-assessment process to mitigate identified reputational loss events. Events in relation to customer query are tracked to ensure they are treated within the established service level agreement and issues are escalated where necessary. The Group consciously seeks to understand stakeholders' expectations and perception by conducting survey, which it uses to design and execute appropriate management responses.

Legal risk: is the possible consequence that flows from actions attributable to the Group's businesses and could be described as the risk of the unexpected application of a law or regulation, usually resulting in a loss. The Group has a Legal Department that primarily liaises with all functions to ensure legal risk is managed in the Group. The Operational Risk Management function ensures the development and maintenance of a Legal Risk Management policy, publicizing the knowledge of legal risks with a view to creating awareness and understanding among all levels of staff within the Group, carrying out quarterly legal risk assessment, ensuring that defined controls are risk focused and recommending risk policies to Legal Risk Management where there are control lapses.

Business continuity management

The Group has been certified compliant to the ISO 22301 Business Continuity Management System international standard, providing evidence of the Group's readiness and resilience against adverse incidents that could deter the achievement of business objectives. The Business Continuity Management System is fully operational in the Group with more capabilities established in the areas of Disaster Recovery and periodic testing of the Business Continuity Plan. The Business Continuity plans are reviewed and approved by the Board annually and the Business Continuity Management System is certified by TCIC Global LTD to ensure compliance with ISO 22301 standards.

Operational risk awareness

The Group intensified its operational risk awareness campaign in the course of the period through several mechanisms including electronic newsletters, risk meetings/workshops, operational risk diaries, continuous training and education of staff and customers. This is to embed risk management across the entire organization and significantly improve the risk management culture and buy-in amongst all employees.

Operational risk practices

The subsidiary companies continue to improve on their operational risk management activities and reporting, thereby enhancing the enterprise risk management practices in the Group.

(f) Capital Management

The Central Bank of Nigeria requires the banking subsidiary with international authorisation to hold minimum regulatory capital of N50 billion and maintain a capital adequacy ratio (total regulatory capital to risk weighted assets) of 15%. Whilst the finance company and microfinance banking subsidiaries are to maintain 12.5% and 10% capital adequate ratios respectively. Capital Adequacy Ratio (CAR) as a measure of the ratio of Capital to Risk Weighted Assets (RWA).

The Risk Management Committee (RMC) has delegated mandate of ensuring that capital levels (capital adequacy ratio) remain adequate and appropriate for the level of risks undertaken in the normal course of business. The committee is responsible for implementing the capital strategy of the Group which includes:

- Ensuring the Group fully complies with minimum regulatory capital adequacy requirements and remains a going concern.
- Ensuring the entities are adequately capitalized – that they have enough capital to support their levels of risk exposures.
- Ensuring disciplined and selective asset growth (based on desired obligor risk profile).
- Maintaining expected losses (EL) within defined limits as a direct consequence of selective and disciplined asset growth.
- Ensuring risks taken by the respective business lines are within approved limits and allocated capital.

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- Ensuring business lines generate adequate risk adjusted returns on allocated capital.
- Driving business units and overall Group performance through the application of economic capital budgeting.

The Group's regulatory capital can be segmented into two tiers:

- **Tier 1 capital** includes share capital, retained earnings and reserves created by appropriations to earnings. Book value of goodwill (where applicable) is deducted in arriving at Tier 1 capital. Deferred tax and regulatory risk reserve (RRR) are also deducted from capital but the RRR is recognised as balance sheet item (exposures are risk-weighted net of the provisions in the RRR).

- **Tier 2 capital** includes preference shares, minority interests arising on consolidation, qualifying debt stock, fixed assets revaluation reserves, foreign currency revaluation reserves, general provisions subject to a maximum of 1.25% of risk assets, and hybrid instruments – convertible bonds, debt security qualifies for the tier 2 capital having met the conditions specified by CBN.

As directed by the CBN, the Banking subsidiary adopts the following approaches for the computation of Capital Adequacy Ratio under Pillar 1:

- Standardised approach for credit risk
- Standardised approach for market risk
- Basic indicator approach for operational risk

In line with the CBN guideline for the standardised approach, the risk weighted assets (RWA) for credit risks are derived using the CBN specified risk weights (RW) for the different asset classes.

The Banking subsidiary also complies with the Pillar 2 requirement, which requires it to do an assessment of internal capital required to cover all material risk exposures, including the credit, market and operational risks addressed under Pillar 1. This process, known as Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process (ICAAP), was first completed for the 2016 financial year and submitted to the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) by April, 2017. The ICAAP reveals that the Bank has sufficient capital under normal business conditions but would require additional capital under severe stress testing scenarios, triggered by events leading to significant non-performing loans and resultant provisioning.

Apart from the possibility of having savings from the operating expenses and the raising of additional tier 1 capital, the Bank will continue to intensify effort in the following areas:

- Proactive loan monitoring and portfolio review of risk assets.
- Proactive identification of loans showing signs of defaults to put them on remedial management.
- Intense recovery of bad loans.
- Implementation of the portfolio plan, including gradual deleveraging and diversification of the loan book.
- Implementation of the Bank's revised lending framework and risk acceptance criteria (RAC).
- Investment of funds in safer, alternative earning assets.
- Optimise capital – risk adjusted pricing and return on capital/performance management.
- Investment in product innovation.
- Delivery of quality and superior service to customers. This will improve patronage and referral.
- Optimisation of alternate channel opportunities.
- Expansion of payment and settlement opportunities in Transaction Banking.
- Cost management – optimal staffing and management of capital expenditure.
- Control and monitoring of cost to income ratio.
- Growing of stable low cost deposits.
- Continuous tracking and trapping of retail banking opportunities with corporate customers.

Internal capital adequacy assessment process (ICAAP)

The banking subsidiary observes the following procedures in the internal capital adequacy assessment process (ICAAP):

(i) Computation of capital adequacy ratio (CAR) and capital requirement under Pillar 1

(ii) Material risk identification and assessment (MRIA) process

(iii) Stress testing and scenario analysis

(iv) Internal capital assessment

(v) ICAAP review and approval

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(i) Computation of capital adequacy ratio (CAR) and capital requirement under Pillar 1

The Bank computed the capital adequacy ratio and capital requirement to cover Pillar 1 risks using the following methodologies:

- Credit risk – standardised approach
- Market risk – standardised approach
- Operational risk – basic indicator approach.

(ii) Material risk identification and assessment (MRIA) process

One of the key purposes of the ICAAP is to embed the principles of risk and capital management in the Bank's business activities. The MRIA process identifies the key risk exposures of the Bank, determines management's assessment of the residual risk exposures and the corresponding capital requirements. The steps below are essential to completing this risk assessment.

Risk identification

A catalogue of material risks relevant to the Bank are identified through a combination of the following activities:

(a) Review of the Bank's operating environment - a forward and backward looking analysis of the Bank's operating environment and business activities was conducted in order to identify various threats in the business and operating environment, including regulatory changes and implication on the business;

(b) Identification of the sources of risk, through a review of the products, services, business areas and activities that could generate the risks within the Bank;

(c) Review of available data from the business, internal control, risk and internal audit functions to assist with the material risk identification assessment (MRIA) process. The following are examples of some key data considered in completing the MRIA:

- Most recent risk and control self-assessment (RCSA) results.
- Near misses, incidents and frauds reports.
- Internal audit findings.

(d) Material risk assessment workshop: a material risk identification and assessment (MRIA) workshop was conducted to identify and assess the major risk exposures of the Bank – other than credit, market and operational risks. The workshop included key stakeholders representing the major functions and departments of the Bank (for Enterprise Risk Management) or the related business units (for specific/functional risk management). This workshop leveraged on different experiences and perspectives of the participants in the risk identification and assessment process.

To ensure its effectiveness, the following guidelines were followed:

- The number of attendees were diverse but restricted;
- All relevant business process expertise and experience was represented;
- Sufficient time was allowed for the deliberation;
- The workshop started with an introduction by Risk Management on ICAAP and highlight of the purpose of the workshop;
- People were encouraged to express identified threats in their own words. This is to ensure they are not constrained to any Risk Management jargon and therefore limited in their expression.

The risks identified were reviewed and assessed at the workshop to determine the residual risk and capital requirement.

Risk assessment

The activities carried out are as follows:

(a) An assessment of the identified risks is conducted considering existing documentation, experience and expert judgement;

(b) The inherent likelihood of occurrence and impact of the risk is determined;

(c) The controls designed to mitigate the risks are reviewed in order to determine the residual risk exposure of the Group.

Although coordinated by Risk Management, the initial assessment above is done in conjunction with key stakeholders across the business, before a more elaborate workshop is held with Management and key business and process owners. The risk assessment for the materials risks culminated in the computation of capital for each risk exposure, with the methodology also presented and validated at the workshop.

Usually, more than one material risk assessment workshop is held in order to complete and finalise review of the risk exposures, data and methodology used for the computation. This also becomes necessary in order to determine and agree the action plans to address observed lapses and gaps.

The ICAAP documentation for the MRIA include:

- Definition and sources of the risk;
- Manifestation of the risk and how it could impact the Banking subsidiary;

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- Current mitigation techniques of the risks; and
- Capital required for the residual risk exposure.

The ICAAP is also forward looking, ensuring that the capital plan considers the Bank's strategic business plan and stress scenarios.

(iii) Stress testing and scenario analysis

Extreme but plausible scenario was run on the business projections and related total capital (ICAAP) required under normal condition in order to compute the capital required under stress condition and determine the need for any additional capital. This exercise was conducted by a group of people across the Group to ensure that they were relevant and robust enough.

We ensured that:

- the assumptions about the level of adverse shock scenarios and their duration were severe but plausible.
- the model used was risk sensitive to view the outcome based on changes to the different parameters or risk factors

The exercise was conducted on the base case projections to assess the adequacy of FCMB's capital levels, capital buffer and capital ratios. The stress testing exercise determines the potential volatility of capital requirements with respect to the five year financial projections. The base case capital projections and stressed capital can vary based on changes to key assumptions or risk factors. The conservative approach has been adopted to ensure that the outcome of the exercise is reasonable and representative of a likely outcome in a stressed condition/situation.

The following sensitivities were considered before coming up with a plausible scenario, the macro-economic stress, which considers some of them:

- Reduction in net interest margin
- Increased operational costs
- Increased credit losses
- Sector concentration risk
- Liquidity stress

(iv) Assessment of internal capital

The Banking subsidiary's internal capital (which is the capital required to cover material risk exposures) as determined by the internal capital assessment process (ICAAP) was compared to the capital available under normal and stress condition to determine the capital planning buffer (CPB) required by the Bank and the amount of shortfall to be provided.

(v) ICAAP review and approval

Although the Executive Management of the Bank and other key stakeholders play key role in the preparation of the Group's ICAAP, the Board of Directors (BOD) has overall responsibility for the ICAAP. Therefore, it is involved in the review of the ICAAP and the final approval of the document lies with it. Subsequent to the final review and approval of the Board of Directors, the ICAAP document is forwarded to the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), preparatory to its Supervisory Review and Evaluation Process (SREP).

The table below shows the break-down of the Commercial and Retail Banking Business Segment and the Banking subsidiary's regulatory capital as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021:

Tier 1 capital includes share capital, share premium, retained earnings and reserves created by appropriations to earnings less the book value of goodwill (where applicable), deferred tax and under-impairment (regulatory risk reserve -RRR), losses for the current financial period, investment in own shares (treasury stock), including cross holding of related companies' equity, 50% of investments in unconsolidated banking and financial subsidiary/associate companies, excess exposure(s) over single obligor without CBN approval, exposures to own financial holding company, unsecured lending to subsidiaries within the same group.

Tier 2 capital includes preference shares, minority interests arising on consolidation, qualifying debt stock, fixed assets revaluation reserves, foreign currency revaluation reserves, hybrid instruments – convertible bonds, hybrid (debt / equity) capital instruments, eligible subordinated term debt, other comprehensive income and fair reserves. This will be limited to a maximum of one-third (1/3) of Tier 1 capital after regulatory deductions.

Debt securities issued qualify under tier 2 capital have met the following Central Bank of Nigeria conditions - they are unsecured, subordinated and fully paid-up, they are not redeemable at the initiative of the holder or without the prior consent of the Central Bank of Nigeria, the debt has an original maturity of at least five years; where there is no set maturity, repayment shall be subject to at least five years' prior notice.

Investments in unconsolidated banking and financial subsidiary/associate companies are deducted from Tier 1 and 2 capital to arrive at total regulatory capital. 50% of investments in unconsolidated banking and financial subsidiary/associate companies from Tier 1 and 2 respectively.

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Capital adequacy computation

COMMERCIAL AND RETAIL BANKING BUSINESS SEGMENT

	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021
In thousands of Naira	Full impact of IFRS 9 transition	Adjusted impact of IFRS 9 transition	Full impact of IFRS 9 transition	Adjusted impact of IFRS 9 transition
TIER 1 CAPITAL				
Share capital	6,500,000	6,500,000	5,650,000	5,650,000
Share premium	97,846,691	97,846,691	97,846,691	97,846,691
Statutory reserves	33,833,168	33,833,168	32,904,950	32,904,950
AGSMEIS reserve	4,697,947	4,697,947	2,747,999	2,747,999
Retained earnings	52,740,239	52,740,239	50,783,725	50,783,725
Forbearance reserve	1,960,712	1,960,712	1,960,712	1,960,712
IFRS 9 transitional adjustment	-	-	-	-
Total qualifying Tier 1 capital	**197,578,757**	**197,578,757**	**191,894,076**	**191,894,076**
Less Regulatory deductions:				
Goodwill	(5,993,863)	(5,993,863)	(5,993,863)	(5,993,863)
Deferred tax assets	(8,422,285)	(8,422,285)	(9,163,895)	(9,163,895)
Software	(8,182,351)	(8,182,351)	(5,739,296)	(5,739,296)
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	-	-	-	-
Regulatory risk reserve*	-	-	(14,255,834)	-
Adjusted total qualifying tier 1 capital	**174,980,258**	**174,980,258**	**156,741,189**	**170,997,023**
TIER 2 CAPITAL				
Translation reserve	12,553,776	12,553,776	10,906,690	10,906,690
Fair value reserve	21,536,369	21,536,369	17,024,503	17,024,503
Debt securities issued	37,904,720	37,904,720	32,826,057	32,826,057
Total qualifying tier 2 capital	**71,994,865**	**71,994,865**	**60,757,250**	**60,757,250**
Total qualifying tier 2 capital restricted to one-third (1/3) of tier 1 capital after regulatory deductions	**58,326,753**	**58,326,753**	**52,247,063**	**56,999,008**
Total regulatory capital	**233,307,011**	**233,307,011**	**208,988,252**	**227,996,031**
Less: Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	-	-	-	-
Total qualifying capital	**233,307,011**	**233,307,011**	**208,988,252**	**227,996,031**
Risk weighted assets				
Risk weighted amount for credit risk	1,169,108,079	1,169,108,079	1,163,046,155	1,163,046,155
Risk weighted amount for operational risk	228,287,925	228,287,925	214,628,503	214,628,503
Risk weighted amount for market risk	39,242,897	39,242,897	26,515,942	26,515,942
	1,436,638,901	**1,436,638,901**	**1,404,190,600**	**1,404,190,600**
Capital adequacy ratio	**16.24%**	**16.24%**	**14.88%**	**16.24%**

*Regulatory Risk Reserve (RRR) balance just before IFRS 9 transition before any relief is transferred to general reserve/retained earnings

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Capital adequacy computation

BANKING SUBSIDIARY

	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021
In thousands of Naira	Full impact of IFRS 9 transition	Adjusted impact of IFRS 9 transition	Full impact of IFRS 9 transition	Adjusted impact of IFRS 9 transition
TIER 1 CAPITAL				
Share capital	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000
Share premium	97,846,691	97,846,691	97,846,691	97,846,691
Statutory reserves	33,781,301	33,781,301	30,251,886	30,251,886
AGSMEIS reserve	4,697,947	4,697,947	3,521,475	3,521,475
Retained earnings	46,664,337	46,664,337	39,203,211	39,203,211
Forbearance reserve	1,960,712	1,960,712	1,960,712	1,960,712
IFRS 9 transitional adjustment	-	-	-	-
Total qualifying Tier 1 capital	**189,950,988**	**189,950,988**	**177,783,975**	**177,783,975**
Less Regulatory deductions:				
Goodwill	(5,993,863)	(5,993,863)	(5,993,863)	(5,993,863)
Deferred tax assets	(8,422,285)	(8,422,285)	(9,163,895)	(9,163,895)
Software	(8,182,351)	(8,182,351)	(5,490,436)	(5,490,436)
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	-	-	-	-
Regulatory risk reserve*	-	-	(14,204,674)	-
Adjusted total qualifying tier 1 capital	**167,352,489**	**167,352,489**	**142,931,107**	**157,135,781**
TIER 2 CAPITAL				
Translation reserve	12,503,699.00	12,503,699.00	10,906,690.00	10,906,690.00
Fair value reserve	20,141,997	20,141,997	17,024,503	17,024,503
Debt securities issued	37,904,720	37,904,720	37,904,720	37,904,720
Total qualifying tier 2 capital	**70,550,416**	**70,550,416**	**65,835,913**	**65,835,913**
Total qualifying tier 2 capital restricted to one-third (1/3) of tier 1 capital after regulatory deductions	**55,784,163**	**55,784,163**	**47,643,702**	**52,378,594**
Total regulatory capital	**223,136,652**	**223,136,652**	**190,574,809**	**209,514,375**
Less: Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	-	-	-	-
Total qualifying capital	**223,136,652**	**223,136,652**	**190,574,809**	**209,514,375**
Risk weighted assets				
Risk weighted amount for credit risk	1,144,836,891	1,144,836,891	1,061,856,451	1,142,566,850
Risk weighted amount for operational risk	208,321,601	208,321,601	191,277,890	196,011,693
Risk weighted amount for market risk	39,242,897	39,242,897	26,520,521	26,515,942
	1,392,401,389	**1,392,401,389**	**1,279,654,862**	**1,365,094,485**
Capital adequacy ratio	**16.03%**	**16.03%**	**14.89%**	**15.35%**

*Regulatory Risk Reserve (RRR) balance just before IFRS 9 transition before any relief is transferred to general reserve/retained earnings

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Note on capital adequacy ratio

The Basel II capital adequacy ratio after adjusted impact of IFRS 9 transition was 16.24% and 16.03% for the Group and the Banking subsidiary respectively, as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: 16.24% and 15.35%), with the Group and Banking subsidiary above the CBN minimum capital adequacy requirements of 15%.

The Central Bank of Nigeria issued a circular on 18 October 2018 relating to the treatment of IFRS expected credit loss for regulatory purposes. Banks were directed to use the balance in regulatory risk reserve as at 1 January 2018 to offset the impact of IFRS 9 expected credit loss amount as at transition date. Where the additional ECL provision is higher than the balance in regulatory risk reserve, the excess shall be amortised in line with the transitional arrangements.

Transitional arrangement of the ECL accounting provisions for regulatory capital purpose: for the purpose of transitional arrangement, using static approach requires banks to hold static the 'Adjusted Day One Impact' and amortise on a straightline basis over the four-year transition period by writing back to the Tier 1 capital as indicated in the table below. The 'Adjusted Day One Impact' for the Group and Bank were N10.69billion and N10.78billion respectively.

(g) Information/Cyber Security Risk

In line with the requirements of section 3 of the CBN risk-based cyber security framework and guidelines for deposit money banks and payment service providers (Ref BSD/DIR/GEN/LAB/11/25), the Group has extended its ERM Framework, with respect to management of material risks, to cover cyber risk exposures of the Group, to ensure they are managed within the Board approved risk appetite. Therefore, the standard risk management process and options enumerated in the Group's ERM framework apply to cyber risks. In addition, cyber security risks management is guided by the provisions of the information/cyber security policies of the Group, as approved by the Board of Directors. The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is responsible for the implementation of the Board approved cyber security program, including day to day cyber security activities and mitigation of cyber risks. Risk Management division however continues to have oversight to ensure that such risks are identified and appropriately managed.

Information Security Steering Committee (ISSC)

The Group established Information Security Steering Committee (ISSC) as a Senior Management committee responsible for the governance of the Group's information/cyber security program. The Committee reports to the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee.

The roles and responsibilities of the Information Security Steering Committee include (but not limited to):

- Establish lines of authority and responsibility for managing all information / cyber risks in line with the Board's overall direction.
- Ensure written policies and procedures for managing all information / cyber security risk exposures of the Group are developed, implemented and effectively communicated throughout the Group.
- Review the Group's framework for managing information / cyber security risks and recommend improvements as may be required.
- Review the Group's cyber risk profile on a periodic basis and ensure risk exposures are managed within the Board approved appetite.
- Ensure the Group holds adequate regulatory and economic capital as cushion for unexpected information /cyber security losses through the internal capital adequacy assessment process (ICAAP).
- Provide feedback to the Board Risk, Audit and Finance Committee on the adequacy and effectiveness of the Group's information security framework and policies.
- Advise the Board on cyber risk appetite and tolerance, taking into consideration the Group's current financial situation, its future strategy and overall degree of risk aversion.

The ISSC meets quarterly or as may be required.

Period	Provision to be written back	%	Commercial and Banking Business Segment	Banking Subsidiary
			N'000	N'000
Year 0 (1 January 2018)	4/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact	80%	8,553,889	8,625,046
Year 1 (31 December 2018)	3/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact	60%	6,415,417	6,468,784
Year 2 (31 December 2019)	2/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact	40%	4,276,944	4,312,523
Year 3 (31 December 2020)	1/5 of Adjusted Day One Impact	20%	2,138,472	2,156,261
Year 4 (31 December 2021)	Nil	0%	-	-

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5. Use of estimates and judgments

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

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

Management discusses with the Group Audit Committee the development, selection and disclosure of the Group's critical accounting policies and their application and assumptions made relating to major estimation uncertainties. Information about assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment within the next financial year and about critical judgements in applying accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the consolidated and separate financial statements are disclosed below.

These disclosures supplement the commentary on financial risk management (see Note 4).

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

(a) Impairment

(i) Impairment losses on loans and advances

Impairment of financial instruments assessment of whether credit risk on the financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and incorporation of forward looking information in the measurement of expected credit losses, see Note 3(k)(vii).

(b) Fair value

The determination of fair value for financial assets and financial liabilities for which there is no observable market price requires the use of valuation techniques as described in the Group's accounting policy. For financial instruments that trade infrequently and have little price transparency, fair value is less objective, and requires varying degrees of judgment depending on liquidity, concentration, uncertainty of market factors, pricing assumptions and other risks affecting the specific instrument.

The Group measures fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the requirements:

- **Level 1:** Quoted market price in an active market for an identical instrument.

- **Level 2:** Valuation techniques based on observable inputs. This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

- **Level 3:** Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instruments valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

Fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities that are traded in active markets are based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations. For all other financial instruments the Group determines fair value using valuation techniques.

Valuation techniques include net present value and discounted cash flow models, comparison to similar instruments for which market observable prices exist, Black-Scholes and polynomial option pricing models and other valuation models. Assumptions and inputs used in valuation techniques include risk-free and benchmark interest rates, credit spreads and other premia used in estimating discount rates, bond and equity prices, foreign currency exchange rates, equity and equity index prices and expected price volatilities and correlations. The objective of valuation techniques is to arrive at a fair value determination that reflects the price of the financial instrument at the reporting date, that would have been determined by market participants acting at arms length.

The Group uses widely recognized valuation models for determining the fair value of common and more simple financial instruments, like interest rate and currency swaps that use only observable market data and require little management judgment and estimation. Observable prices and model inputs are usually available in the market for listed debt and equity securities, exchange traded derivatives and simple over the counter derivatives like interest swaps. Availability of observable market prices and model inputs reduces the need for management judgment and estimation and also reduces the uncertainty associated with determination of fair values. Availability of observable market prices and inputs varies depending on the products

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and markets and is prone to changes based on specific events and general conditions in the financial markets.

For more complex instruments, the Group uses proprietary valuation models, which are usually developed from recognized valuation models. Some or all of the significant inputs into these models may not be observable in the market and are derived from market prices or rates or are estimated based on assumptions. Example of instruments involving significant unobservable inputs include certain over the counter structured derivatives, certain loans and security for which there is no active market and retained interests in securitizations. Valuation models that employ significant unobservable inputs require a higher degree of management judgment and estimation in the determination of fair value. Management judgment and estimation are usually required for selection of the appropriate valuation model to be used, determination of expected future cash flows on the financial instrument being valued, determination of probability of counterparty default and prepayments and selection of appropriate discount rates.

Financial instruments measured at fair value

The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised:

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
31 DEC 2022					
Assets					
Trading assets	22(a)	160,730,775	-	-	160,730,775
Investment securities	24(c)(e)(f)	231,092,599	-	37,507,207	268,599,806
		391,823,374	**853,709**	**37,507,207**	**430,184,290**
Liabilities					
Trading liabilities	22(b)	1,883,937	-	-	1,883,937
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	23(b)	-	1,699,900	-	1,699,900
		1,883,937	**1,699,900**	**-**	**3,583,837**
31 DEC 2021					
Assets					
Trading assets	22(a)	41,538,274	-	-	41,538,274
Assets pledged as collateral	25(a)	3,120,944	-	-	3,120,944
Investment securities	24(c)(e)(f)	172,884,325	-	26,688,710	199,573,034
		217,543,543	**-**	**26,688,710**	**244,232,252**
Liabilities					
Trading liabilities	22(b)	5,174,902	-	-	5,174,902
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	23(b)	-	-	-	-
		5,174,902	**-**	**-**	**5,174,902**

The carrying amount under Level 3 represents the fair value of unquoted equity investments. The movement has been disclosed in Note 26(e).

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Financial instruments not measured at fair value

The table below sets out the fair value of financial instruments not measured at fair value and analyses them by level in the fair value hierarchy into which each fair value measurement is categorised.

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value	Total carrying amount
31 DEC 2022						
Assets						
Loans and advances to customers	26	-	-	1,246,739,645	1,246,739,645	1,195,626,586
Assets pledged as collateral	25	56,985,169	-	-	56,985,169	56,985,169
Investment securities	24(a)	287,951,841	-	-	287,951,841	255,973,219

31 DEC 2021

In thousands of Naira	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value	Total carrying amount
Assets						
Loans and advances to customers	26	-	-	1,113,157,620	1,113,157,620	1,063,589,192
Assets pledged as collateral	25	88,309,877	-	-	88,309,877	63,358,170
Investment securities	24(a)	156,270,097	-	-	156,270,097	172,975,299

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In thousands of Naira	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value	Total carrying amount
Assets						
Investment securities	24(a)	8,023,508	-	-	8,023,508	8,023,508

31 DEC 2021

In thousands of Naira	Note	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total fair value	Total carrying amount
Assets						
Investment securities	24(a)	6,007,162	-	-	6,007,162	6,007,162

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(c) Income Taxes

The Group is subject to income taxes in numerous jurisdictions. Significant estimates are required in determining the groupwide provision for income taxes. The Group recognises liabilities for anticipated tax audit issues based on estimates of whether additional taxes will be due. Where the final tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were initially recorded, such differences will impact the income tax and deferred tax provisions in the period in which such determination is made.

(d) Deferred tax

The deferred tax assets and liabilities recognized by the Group is dependent on the availability of taxable profit in the foreseeable future to utilize the deferred tax. The Group reviews the carrying amount of the deferred tax at the end of each reporting period and recognizes an amount such that it is probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available which the Group can use the benefit therefrom.

In determining the deferred tax assets recognized in the financial statements, the Group has applied judgement in estimating the deferred tax recoverable in the foreseeable future. This involves the estimation of future income and expenses, and the consideration of non-taxable income and disallowable expenses in order to arrive at the future taxable profit / loss.

Effective January 2022, the tax exemption granted on short term Federal Government of Nigeria securities [such as Treasury bills, promissory notes etc.] and non-Federal Government of Nigeria Bonds, and the interest earned by the holder of these instruments, under the Companies Income Tax (Exemption of Bonds and Short Term Government Securities) Order, 2011, elapses.

(f) Assessment of impairment of goodwill

Goodwill was tested for impairment using discounted cash flow valuation method. Projected cash flows were discounted to present value using a discount rate of 24.2% (December 2021: 24.2%) and a cash flow growth rate of 3.9% (December 2021: 3.9%) over a period of five years. The Group determined the appropriate discount rate at the end of the year by making reference to the rate of the Sovereign 10-year Bond yield issued in the relevant market and in the same currency as the cash flows, adjusted for a risk premium to reflect both the increased risk of investing in equities generally and the systematic risk of the specific CGU. See note 31(d) & (e) for further details.

(g) Determination of regulatory risk reserves

Provisions under prudential guidelines are determined using the time based provisioning regime prescribed by the Revised Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Prudential Guidelines. This is at variance with the expected loss model (IFRS 9). As a result of the differences in the methodology/provision regime, there will be variances in the impairment allowances required under the two methodologies.

Paragraph 12.4 of the revised Prudential Guidelines for Deposit Money Banks in Nigeria stipulates that Banks would be required to make provisions for loans as prescribed in the relevant IFRS Standards when IFRS is adopted. However, Banks would be required to comply with the following:

(i) Provisions for loans recognised in profit or loss should be determined based on the requirements of IFRS. However, the IFRS provision should be compared with provisions determined under prudential guidelines and the expected impact/changes in general reserves should be treated as follows:

- Prudential Provisions is greater than IFRS provisions; the excess provision resulting should be transferred from the retained reserve account to a "regulatory risk reserve".
- Prudential Provisions is less than IFRS provisions; IFRS determined provision is charged to the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income. The cumulative balance in the regulatory risk reserve is thereafter reversed to the retained earnings account.

(ii) The non-distributable reserve (excluding regulatory risk reserve) should be classified under Tier 1 as part of the core capital.

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The Banking subsidiary has complied with the requirements of the guidelines as follows:

Prudential adjustments for the year ended 31 December 2022

In thousands of Naira	Note	2022
Impairment assessment under IFRS		
Loans & advances:		
Stage 1	26(c)	15,308,703
Stage 2	26(c)	11,481,709
Stage 3	26(c)	20,121,519
Total impairment allowances on loans		**46,911,931**
Other financial assets:		
Stage 1	27(c)	10,750,249
Stage 2	27(c)	5,527,130
Stage 3	27(c)	12,160,061
Provision	38	7,509,523
Investment securities at amortised cost	24(b)	2,722,824
Investment securities at FVOCI	24(c)	872,952
Cash and cash equivalents	21(a)	23,949
Total impairment allowances on other financial assets and provision		**39,566,688**
Total impairment allowances by the Banking subsidiary (a)		**86,458,619**
Total regulatory impairment based on prudential guidelines (b)		**101,458,619**
Required balance in regulatory risk reserves (c = b - a) <0 returned 0, else (b-a)		**14,980,000**
Balance, 1 January 2022		**4,590,000**
Transfer from regulatory risk reserve		**10,390,000**
Balance, 31 December 2022		**14,980,000**

Prudential adjustments for the year ended 31 December 2021

In thousands of Naira	Note	2021
Impairment assessment under IFRS		
Loans & advances:		
Stage 1	26(c)	16,079,207
Stage 2	26(c)	7,009,244
Stage 3	26(c)	24,301,178
Total impairment allowances on loans		**47,389,629**
Other financial assets:		
Stage 1	32(c)	815,639
Stage 2	32(c)	1,500,000
Stage 3	32(c)	18,559,809
Provision	39	6,744,598
Investment securities at amortised cost	26(b)	2,598,284
Investment securities at FVOCI	26(c)	312,475
Cash and cash equivalents		3,305
Total impairment allowances on other financial assets and provision		**30,534,110**
Total impairment allowances by the Banking subsidiary (a)		**77,923,739**
Total regulatory impairment based on prudential guidelines (b)		**82,513,739**
Required balance in regulatory risk reserves (c = b - a)		**4,590,000**
Balance, 1 January 2021		**4,133,669**
Transfer from regulatory risk reserve		**456,331**
Balance, 31 December 2021		**4,590,000**

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6 Operating segments

The Group has eight reportable segments, as described below, which are the Group's strategic divisions. The strategic divisions offer different products and services, and are managed separately based on the Group's management and internal reporting structure. For each of the strategic divisions, the Executive Management Committee reviews internal management reports on at least a quarterly basis. The following summary describes the operations in each of the Group's reportable segments.

Investment Banking - provides comprehensive banking services to highly structured large corporate organisations. The Group is also involved in capital raising activities for organisations both in money and capital markets as well as provides financial advisory services to organisations in raising funds.

Investment Management - administer and manages the pension fund assets and other investment porfolios for structured retiree savings account holders and other equity fund account holders.

SME Banking - provides banking services to Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) and commercial registered businesses with an annual turnover less than N2.5billion.

Commercial Banking - provides banking services to Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) and commercial registered businesses with an annual turnover between N2.5bn and N5billion.

Corporate Banking – incorporating direct debit facilities, current accounts, deposits, overdrafts, loan and other credit facilities, foreign currency and derivative products. The corporate banking business unit caters for the specific needs of companies and financial institutions with an annual turnover in excess of N5billion.

Personal Banking - incorporating private banking services, private customer current accounts, savings, deposits, investment savings products, custody, credit and debit cards, consumer loans and mortgages. Retail banking business unit caters for needs of individuals.

Institutional Banking - government financing, financial institutions, multilateral agencies. The business unit caters for governments at the various levels and their agencies.

Treasury and Financial Markets – Treasury and financial markets group provides funding support to various business segments while ensuring the liquidity of the Bank is not compromised. The Group is also involved in currency trading incorporating financial instruments trading and structured financing.

Information regarding the results of each reporting segment is included below. Performance is measured based on segment profit before tax, as included in the internal management reports that are reviewed by the Executive Management Committee. Segment profit is used to measure performance as management believes that such information is the most relevant in evaluating the results of certain segments relative to other entities that operate within these industries.

No single external customer accounts for 10% or more of the Group's revenue.

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Information about operating segments;

(i) The business segment results are as follows:

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In thousands of Naira	Investment Banking	Investment Management	SME Banking	Commercial Banking	Corporate Banking	Personal Banking	Institutional Banking	Treasury & Financial Markets	Total
External revenues:									
Net interest income	7,279,993	448,317	42,245,213	4,263,921	15,108,686	46,720,867	4,367,195	1,563,230	121,997,422
Net fee and commission income	3,986,063	7,011,839	8,529,937	1,273,651	4,501,249	6,643,909	531,571	1,536,202	34,014,421
Net trading income	572,478		-	-	-	-	-	12,293,096	12,865,574
Other revenue	723,122	165,664	243,481	115,462	457,607	437,810	54,544	3,110,340	5,308,030
Other income	43,898	-	-	-	-	1,173,485	-	-	1,217,383
Inter-segment revenue	-	-	2,241,140	624,386	(1,588,636)	2,808,304	558,208	(4,643,402)	-
Total segment revenue	**12,605,553**	**7,625,821**	**53,259,771**	**6,277,420**	**18,478,906**	**57,784,375**	**5,511,518**	**13,859,466**	**175,402,830**
Expenses:									
Operating expenses	(7,752,337)	(3,778,036)	(29,960,312)	(3,976,350)	(12,740,121)	(36,577,508)	(6,013,612)	(3,396,252)	(104,194,528)
Net Impairment losses on financial instruments	(971,450)	(3,100)	(7,422,143)	(2,197,818)	(10,444,924)	(2,258,094)	(1,070,418)	(598,361)	(24,966,308)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	(432,919)	(297,271)	(3,071,779)	(346,154)	(959,606)	(3,725,142)	(563,446)	(275,614)	(9,671,931)
	(9,156,706)	**(4,078,407)**	**(40,454,234)**	**(6,520,322)**	**(24,144,651)**	**(42,560,744)**	**(7,647,476)**	**(4,270,227)**	**(138,832,767)**
Reportable segment profit/ (loss) before income tax	**3,448,847**	**3,547,414**	**12,805,537**	**(242,902)**	**(5,665,745)**	**15,223,631**	**(2,135,958)**	**9,589,239**	**36,570,063**
Reportable segment assets	198,483,872	8,594,934	304,957,367	23,272,798	685,741,446	219,554,713	21,838,789	937,366,374	2,399,810,293
Reportable segment liabilities	164,048,250	8,360,863	697,232,412	132,561,383	544,529,315	703,956,291	119,544,036	318,246,109	2,688,478,659

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In thousands of Naira	Investment Banking	Investment Management	SME Banking	Commercial Banking	Corporate Banking	Personal Banking	Institutional Banking	Treasury & Financial Markets	Total
External revenues:									
Net interest income	4,124,275	176,924	27,785,613	1,077,244	10,955,620	40,868,808	3,948,089	1,977,265	90,913,838
Net fee and commission income	4,766,177	4,791,055	7,075,978	907,705	2,255,915	8,145,334	353,244	457,579	28,752,987
Net trading income	195,815	-	-	-	-	283,884	-	8,887,437	9,367,136
Other revenue	75,538	102,083	344,470	100,607	(3,560,472)	765,303	26,849	5,553,495	3,407,873
Other income	474,454	-	145,678	98,909	178,789	704,806	-	-	1,602,636
Inter-segment revenue	-	-	2,292,369	454,749	(2,600,684)	2,743,315	570,486	(3,460,235)	-
Total segment revenue	**9,636,259**	**5,070,062**	**37,644,108**	**2,639,214**	**7,229,168**	**53,511,450**	**4,898,668**	**13,415,541**	**134,044,470**
Expenses:									
Operating expenses	(7,267,317)	(2,593,095)	(26,160,328)	(2,786,302)	(10,679,646)	(30,788,546)	(5,098,025)	(2,784,031)	(88,157,290)
Net Impairment losses on financial instruments	(74,751)	(419)	(4,580,572)	(235,865)	(5,077,540)	(3,592,449)	1,389	(1,678,000)	(15,238,207)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	(418,414)	(136,911)	(2,523,363)	(290,775)	(813,488)	(3,098,897)	(502,164)	(243,680)	(8,027,692)
	(7,760,482)	**(2,730,425)**	**(33,264,263)**	**(3,312,942)**	**(16,570,674)**	**(37,479,892)**	**(5,598,800)**	**(4,705,711)**	**(111,423,189)**
Reportable segment profit/ (loss) before income tax	**1,875,777**	**2,339,637**	**4,379,845**	**(673,728)**	**(9,341,506)**	**16,031,558**	**(700,132)**	**8,709,830**	**22,621,281**
Reportable segment assets	140,972,667	5,743,506	292,740,426	14,890,773	603,698,955	203,356,572	31,799,098	790,041,418	2,083,243,415
Reportable segment liabilities	107,667,920	8,267,220	643,662,742	45,207,380	430,320,044	617,102,129	119,130,689	260,338,971	2,231,697,095

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(ii) Reconciliations of reportable segments revenues, profit or loss and assets and liabilities

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In thousands of Naira	2022	2021
Revenues		
Total revenue for reportable segments	175,402,830	134,044,470
Unallocated amounts	-	-
Elimination of inter-segment revenue	-	-
Total revenue	**175,402,830**	**134,044,470**
Profit or loss		
Total profit or loss for reportable segments	36,570,063	22,621,281
Unallocated amounts	-	-
Profit before income tax	**36,570,063**	**22,621,281**

GROUP

	2022	2021
Assets		
Total assets for reportable segments	2,399,810,293	2,083,243,415
Other unallocated amounts	583,242,264	409,954,215
Total assets	**2,983,052,557**	**2,493,197,630**

The unallocated assets (N583.2billion) comprises of : Derivative assets- N853.7million (2021: Nil); Restricted Reserve deposit - N493.4million (2021: N329.7million); Investment in Associates - Nil (2021: N6.8million); PPE - N50.9million (2021: N47.1million); Intangible assets - N29.6million (2021: N17.1million); and Deffered tax assets - N8.4million (2021: N9.1million)

Liabilities		
Total liabilities for reportable segments	2,688,478,659	2,231,697,095
Other unallocated amounts	18,694,288	17,694,821
Total liabilities	**2,707,172,947**	**2,249,391,916**

The unallocated liabilities (N18.69billion) comprises of : Trading liabilities - N1.8billion (2021: N5.2billion); Derivative liabilities - N1.7billion (2021: Nil); Retirement benefit obligations - N23.4million (2021: N14.9million); Current tax liabilities - NN7.2billion (2021: N5.4billion); Deferred tax liabilities N391.9million (2021: N308.7million), amd Provisions N7.5billion (2021: N6.7billion).

Geographical areas

In presenting information on the basis of geographical areas, revenue is based on the customers' country of domicile and assets are based on the geographical location of the assets.

(iii) The Geographical information result for 31 December 2022 is as follows:

In thousands of Naira	NIGERIA	EUROPE	TOTAL
Revenues	167,537,495	7,865,335	175,402,830
Non-current assets (see note 6 (v) below)	87,929,327	1,099,519	89,028,846

(iv) The Geographical information result for 31 December 2021 is as follows:

In thousands of Naira	NIGERIA	EUROPE	TOTAL
Revenues	128,785,007	5,259,463	134,044,470
Non-current assets (see note 6 (v) below)	72,016,454	1,387,963	73,404,417

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(v) Non-current assets includes property and equipment, intangible assets and deferred tax assets

(vi) Included in the Personal Banking reportable segment were group lending (mirco-lending) business performance. The group lending business recorded profit of N839.78million for the year ended 31 December 2022, (31 December 2021: N785.33million) and customer loans and advances of N4.38billion (31 December 2021: N3.17billion) and deposit from customer of N2.19billion (31 December 2021: N1.72billion).

7 Financial assets and liabilities

Accounting classification measurement basis and fair values

Listed below are assets and liabilities that the carrying amount approximates the fair value as at the reporting date. These assets and liabilities have been excluded from the fair value table by hierarchy analysed below:

- Cash and cash equivalents
- Restricted reserve deposits
- Other financial assets
- Deposits from banks
- Deposits from customers
- Borrowings
- Debt securities
- Other financial liabilities

The table below sets out the carrying amounts and fair values of the Group's financial assets and liabilities:

GROUP		31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying value	Fair value	Fair value hierarchy	Carrying value	Fair value	Fair value hierarchy
Assets							
Carried at FVTPL:							
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	160,730,775	160,730,775	1	41,538,274	41,538,274	1
Derivative assets held for risk management	23(a)	853,709	853,709		-	-	
Assets pledged as collateral	25(b)	-	-	1	3,120,944	3,120,944	1
Carried at FVOCI:							
Investment securities - debts	24(c)(e)	231,092,599	231,092,599	1	172,884,325	172,884,325	1
Investment securities - unquoted equity investments	24(f)	37,507,207	37,507,207	3	26,688,710	26,688,710	3
Assets pledged as collateral	25(a)	22,024,038	22,024,038	1	48,977,569	48,977,569	1
Carried at amortized cost:							
Investment securities	24(a)	255,867,805	255,867,805	1	172,882,523	172,882,523	1
Assets pledged as collateral	25(c)	56,985,169	56,985,169	1	63,358,170	63,358,170	1
Liabilities							
Carried at FVTPL:							
Trading liabilities	22(b)	1,883,937	1,883,937	1	5,174,902	5,174,902	1
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	23(b)	1,699,900	1,699,900	-	-	-	

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COMPANY		31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
In thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying value	Fair value	Fair value hierarchy	Carrying value	Fair value	Fair value hierarchy
Assets							
Carried at FVTPL:							
Non-pledged trading assets	22(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Derivative assets held for risk management	23(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25(b)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried at FVOCI:							
Investment securities - debts	24(c)(e)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment securities - unquoted equity investments	24(f)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assets pledged as collateral	25(a)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried at amortized cost:							
Investment securities	24(a)	8,023,508	8,023,508	1	6,007,162	6,007,162	1
Assets pledged as collateral	25(c)	-	-	-	-	-	-

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
8 Interest and discount income				
Cash and cash equivalents	1,097,927	612,479	150,933	38,363
Loans and advances to customers	174,703,392	137,646,522	-	-
Investment securities at amortised cost	21,152,593	11,838,040	347,806	333,120
Investment securities at FVOCI	22,597,680	11,944,563	67,575	61,824
Total interest income	**219,551,592**	**162,041,604**	**566,314**	**433,307**
9 Interest expense				
Deposits from banks	5,933,312	8,371,606	-	-
Deposits from customers	68,879,074	38,835,473	-	-
	74,812,386	**47,207,079**	**-**	**-**
Borrowings	11,564,500	12,743,333	6,858	-
Debt securities issued	8,523,788	10,046,518	-	-
Onlending facitilies	2,409,973	915,080	-	-
Interest expense on lease liabilities	243,523	215,756	-	-
	97,554,170	**71,127,766**	**6,858**	**-**

The amounts reported above include interest income and expense, calculated using the effective interest method, that relate to the following financial assets and financial liabilities.

Financial assets measured at amortised cost	196,953,912	150,097,041	498,739	371,483
Financial assets measured at FVOCI	22,597,680	11,944,563	67,575	61,824
Total	**219,551,592**	**162,041,604**	**566,314**	**433,307**
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	97,554,170	71,127,766	6,858	-

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	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
10 Net impairment loss on financial assets				
Loan and advances (see note 26(c))	22,124,315	14,834,670	-	-
Other assets (see note 27(c))	6,890,371	4,789,171	-	-
Investment securities - amortised cost (see note 24(b))	3,587	385,613	27,669	17,387
Investment securities - fair value other comprehensive income (see note 24(c))	1,061,662	134,611	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents (see note 21(b))	21,570	3,685	-	-
Financial guarantee contracts and loan commitment issued (see note 37(a))	129,099	363,785	-	-
Recoveries on loans previously written off	(5,264,296)	(5,273,328)	-	-
	24,966,308	**15,238,207**	**27,669**	**17,387**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
11a Disaggregation of fee and commission income by major type of services;				
Credit related fees	634,815	593,541	-	-
Account Maintenance	6,850,703	4,804,446	-	-
Letters of credit commission	1,403,821	962,276	-	-
Asset Management Fees	5,641,022	3,450,428	-	-
Administration Fees	183,298	178,638	-	-
Commission on off-balance sheet transactions	1,280,110	772,157	-	-
Electronics fees and commissions	13,996,952	12,826,360	-	-
Service fees and commissions	14,048,256	12,005,351	1,054,476	738,858
Gross Fee and commission income	**44,038,977**	**35,593,197**	**1,054,476**	**738,858**
11b Fee and commission expense				
Electronics fees and commissions recoverable expenses	(8,148,012)	(6,274,200)	-	-
Cheque books recoverable expenses	(36,039)	(30,880)	-	-
Other banks charges	(1,840,505)	(535,130)	(1,347)	(490)
Fee and commission expense	**(10,024,556)**	**(6,840,210)**	**(1,347)**	**(490)**
Net fee and commission income	**34,014,421**	**28,752,987**	**1,053,129**	**738,368**

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(a) Disaggregation of fee and commission income with the Group's reportable segments;

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In thousands of Naira	Investment Banking	Investment Management	SME Banking	Commercial Banking	Corporate Banking	Personal Banking	Institutional Banking	Treasury & Financial Markets	Total
Credit related fees	-	-	406,441	118,948	67,513	41,324	589	-	634,815
Account Maintenance	-	-	4,556,748	475,318	495,386	1,183,411	139,840	-	6,850,703
Letters of credit commission	-	-	519,423	47,846	836,547	5	-	-	1,403,821
Asset Management Fees	-	5,641,022	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,641,022
Administration Fees	-	183,298	-	-	-	-	-	-	183,298
Commission on off-balance sheet transactions	-	-	408,255	198,259	591,252	12,052.00	70,292	-	1,280,110
Electronics fees and commissions	-	-	1,878,589	117,884	814,878	10,862,070	304,720	18,811	13,996,952
Service fees and commissions	4,868,052	1,251,973	1,522,070	427,869	1,776,161	2,431,765	25,117	1,745,249	14,048,256
Gross Fee and commission income	**4,868,052**	**7,076,293**	**9,291,526**	**1,386,124**	**4,581,737**	**14,530,627**	**540,558**	**1,764,060**	**44,038,977**
Electronics fees and commissions recoverable expenses	(500)	-	(648,246)	(19,461)	(77,664)	(7,394,351)	(7,790)	-	(8,148,012)
Cheque books recoverable expenses	-	-	(20,167)	(128)	(230)	(15,168)	(346)	-	(36,039)
Other banks charges	(881,489)	(64,454)	(93,177)	(92,883)	(2,594)	(477,199)	(851)	(227,858)	(1,840,505)
Fee and commission expense	**(881,989)**	**(64,454)**	**(761,590)**	**(112,472)**	**(80,488)**	**(7,886,718)**	**(8,987)**	**(227,858)**	**(10,024,556)**
Net fee and commission income	**3,986,063**	**7,011,839**	**8,529,936**	**1,273,652**	**4,501,249**	**6,643,909**	**531,571**	**1,536,202**	**34,014,421**

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In thousands of Naira	Investment Banking	Investment Management	SME Banking	Commercial Banking	Corporate Banking	Personal Banking	Institutional Banking	Treasury & Financial Markets	Total
Credit related fees	-	-	464,650	47,109	53,510	26,623	1,649	-	593,541
Account Maintenance	-	-	3,049,132	213,126	443,840	1,015,441	82,907	-	4,804,446
Letters of credit commission	-	-	330,911	57,074	573,729	-	562	-	962,276
Asset Management Fees	-	3,450,428	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,450,428
Administration Fees	-	178,638	-	-	-	-	-	-	178,638
Commission on off-balance sheet transactions	-	-	253,026	78,566	435,925	-	4,640	-	772,157
Electronics fees and commissions	-	-	1,313,682	41,488	277,966	10,963,048	230,176	-	12,826,360
Service fees and commissions	4,861,021	1,161,989	2,339,462	493,026	577,890	1,945,050	39,351	587,562	12,005,351
Gross Fee and commission income	**4,861,021**	**4,791,055**	**7,750,863**	**930,389**	**2,362,860**	**13,950,162**	**359,285**	**587,562**	**35,593,197**
Electronics fees and commissions recoverable expenses	-	-	(498,607)	(6,019)	(101,357)	(5,663,588)	(4,629)	-	(6,274,200)
Cheque books recoverable expenses	-	-	(15,553)	(1,092)	(366)	(11,257)	(93)	(2,519)	(30,880)
Other banks charges	(94,843)	-	(160,725)	(15,572)	(5,221)	(129,985)	(1,319)	(127,465)	(535,130)
Fee and commission expense	**(94,843)**	**-**	**(674,885)**	**(22,683)**	**(106,944)**	**(5,804,830)**	**(6,041)**	**(129,984)**	**(6,840,210)**
Net fee and commission income	**4,766,178**	**4,791,055**	**7,075,978**	**907,706**	**2,255,916**	**8,145,332**	**353,244**	**457,578**	**28,752,987**

(b) The fees and commission income reported above excludes amount included in determining effective interest rates on financial assets that are not carried at fair value through profit or loss.

(c) Performance obligations and revenue recognition policies;
Fee and commission income from contracts with customers is measured based on the consideration specified in a contract with a customer. The Group recognises revenue when it transfers control over a service to a customer. The following table provides information about the nature and timing of the satisfaction of performance obligations in contracts with customers, including significant payment terms, and the related revenue recognition policies.

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Type of service	Nature and timing of satisfaction of performance obligations, including significant payment terms	Revenue recognition under IFRS 15
Retail and corporate banking service	The Group provides banking services to retail and corporate customers, including account management, provision of overdraft facilities, foreign currency transactions, credit card and servicing fees. Fees for ongoing account management are charged to the customer's account on a monthly basis. The Group sets the rates separately for retail and corporate banking customers in each jurisdiction on an annual basis. Transaction-based fees for interchange, foreign currency transactions and overdrafts are charged to the customer's account when the transaction takes place. Servicing fees are charged on a monthly basis and are based on fixed rates reviewed annually by the Group.	Revenue from account service and servicing fees is recognised over time as the services are provided. Revenue related to transactions is recognised at the point in time when the transaction takes place.
Investment banking service	The Group's investment banking segment provides various finance-related services, including loan administration and agency services, administration of a loan syndication, execution of client transactions with exchanges and securities underwriting. Fees for ongoing services are charged annually at the end of the calendar year to the customer's account. However, if a customer terminates the contract before 31 December, then on termination it is charged the fee for the services performed to date. Transaction-based fees for administration of a loan syndication, execution of transactions, and securities underwriting are charged when the transaction takes place.	Revenue from administrative agency services is recognised over time as the services are provided. The amounts to be collected from customers are recognised as trade receivables. Revenue related to transactions is recognised at the point in time when the transaction takes place.
Investment management service	The Group provides investment management services. Fees for asset management services are calculated based on a fixed percentage of the value of assets managed and deducted from the customer's account balance on a monthly basis. In addition, the Group charges a non-refundable up-front fee when opening an account.	Revenue from investment management services is recognised over time as the services are provided. Non-refundable up-front fees give rise to material rights for future services and are recognised as revenue over the period for which a customer is expected to continue receiving asset management services.

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021

12 Net trading income

Foreign exchange trading income	666,657	61,242	-	-
FGN bonds trading income	5,594,652	5,509,168	-	-
Treasury bills trading income	6,604,265	3,796,726	-	-
	12,865,574	**9,367,136**	**-**	**-**

13 Net income from financial instruments mandatorily measured at fair value through profit or loss

Net income arising on:				
Fair value gain on derivative financial instruments held for risk management	-	-	-	-
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**

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14 (a) Other revenue

In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
Dividends on equity investment securities in the subsidiaries(see note (a)(i))	-	-	6,745,194	4,903,114
Dividends on unquoted equity securities (see note (a)(ii))	977,540	830,168	-	-
Foreign exchange gains (see note (a)(iii))	4,297,573	6,138,177	390,196	287,631
Modification loss on restructured facilities (see note (a)(iv))	32,917	(3,560,472)	-	-
	5,308,030	**3,407,873**	**7,135,390**	**5,190,745**

(i) The amount of N6.7billion in the Company represents N371.2million (2021: N185.6million) from FCMB Pensions Limited , N2billion (2021: N4billion) from First City Monument Bank Limited, N859.5million (2021: N580.3million) from CSL Stockbrokers Limited, N150million (2021: N75million) from FCMB Capital Markets Limited, N36.8million (2021: N62.3million) from FCMB Trustees Limited and N3.3billion (2021: Nil) from Credit Direct Limited .

(ii) This amount represent dividend received from unquoted equity securities held for strategic purposes and for which the Group has elected to present the fair value gain and loss in other comprehensive income.

(iii) Foreign currency revaluation gain represent gains realised from the revaluation of foreign currency-denominated assets and liabilities held in the non-trading books.

(iv) This represents the loss on restructured facilities during the year.

In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
14 (b) Other income				
Gain on sale of property and equipment	(10,620)	514,557	(632)	(266)
Rental income	1,228,003	1,088,079	210,447	98,663
	1,217,383	**1,602,636**	**209,815**	**98,397**
15 Personnel expenses				
Wages and salaries	25,299,929	23,263,584	339,902	334,161
Contributions to defined contribution plans (see note 36)	716,687	672,205	15,756	10,788
Other employee benefits (see note (a) below)	9,598,299	7,326,960	277,427	29,722
	35,614,915	**31,262,749**	**633,085**	**374,671**

(a) Other employee benefits

These are non-payroll staff cost, which includes medical expenses, club subscriptions and other staff related expenses not paid to staff.

In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
16 Depreciation and amortisation				
Amortisation of intangibles (see note 32)	2,005,606	1,564,874	-	-
Depreciation of property and equipment and right of use assets (see note 31(a))	7,666,325	6,462,818	19,909	19,419
	9,671,931	**8,027,692**	**19,909**	**19,41**

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In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
17 General and administrative expenses				
Communication, stationery and postage	2,621,546	2,519,063	9,678	6,029
Business travel expenses	1,086,417	565,930	2,695	1,296
Advert, promotion and corporate gifts	4,759,378	4,656,482	36,707	9,731
Business premises and equipment costs	7,607,697	5,222,165	33,864	13,857
Operating lease expenses (see note (a) below)	906,018	599,049	4,505	4,594
Directors' emoluments and expenses	1,829,752	1,686,183	582,916	647,458
IT expenses	9,986,656	7,449,323	14,332	8,536
Contract Services and training expenses	8,146,572	7,525,196	284	1,546
Vehicles maintenance expenses	922,815	992,833	4,153	2,399
Security expenses	2,287,164	2,231,088	-	-
Auditors' remuneration	501,835	457,054	45,000	45,000
Professional charges	4,101,373	1,752,961	147,048	96,621
	44,757,223	**35,657,327**	**881,182**	**837,067**

(a) An amount of N906.02million (31 Dec 2021: N599.05million) have been presented as operating lease expense for the Group. This amount represent the straight line amortisation on short term lease in which the Group has applied the recognition exemption.

In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	GROUP 31 DEC 2020	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2020
18 Other operating expenses				
NDIC Insurance Premium	6,339,599	5,088,449	-	-
AMCON Levy	12,841,873	10,532,714	-	-
Insurance expenses	1,350,689	943,268	14,412	14,573
Others (see note (a) below)	3,290,229	4,672,783	93,147	89,389
	23,822,390	**21,237,214**	**107,559**	**103,962**
(a) Others comprises:				
AGM, meetings and shareholders expenses	245,493	342,250	54,693	55,750
Donation and sponsorship expenses (see note (b) below)	299,977	1,481,506	-	-
Entertainment expenses	441,173	239,124	4,931	2,627
Fraud and forgery expense	123,083	89,856	-	-
Regulatory charges	10,910	11,326	10,910	11,326
Other accounts written off	259,023	243,987	114	167
PENCOM Recovery Agent Fee	8,004	1,194	-	-
Pension Protection Fund Expenses	171,169	104,961	-	-
Provision for litigation (see note 37(a))	915,000	864,413	-	-
Industrial training fund levy	247,292	214,914	12,319	10,438
Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund expenses	208,027	277,234	6,250	4,838
Penalties (see note 46)	70,300	723,313	-	-
Miscellaneous expenses	290,777	78,705	3,930	4,243
	3,290,228	**4,672,783**	**93,147**	**89,389**

The Group made contributions to charitable and non-political organisations amounting to N299.98million (31 December 2021: N1.48billion) during the year. The detailed analysis is in the Directors' report, page 57.

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In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
19 Earnings per share				
Basic and diluted earnings per share				
Profit attributable to equity holders (N'000)	30,900,220	20,708,579	7,264,188	5,088,698
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue ('000)	19,802,710	19,802,710	19,802,710	19,802,710
	1.56	**1.05**	**0.37**	**0.26**
20 Tax expense				
(i) Current tax expense:				
Minimum tax (see note 20(ii))	1,242,213	465,254	11,107	3,895
National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA) levy	289,267	154,211	5,432	2,226
Nigeria Police Trust Fund levy	1,741	1,015	364	255
National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure levy	64,199	37,996	-	-
Tertiary education tax	176,927	13,236	7,295	13,236
Capital gain tax	11	-	-	-
Corporate income tax	2,956,457	2,239,206	-	-
	4,730,815	**2,910,919**	**24,198**	**19,613**
(ii) Deferred tax expense:				
Origination of temporary differences (see note 32(b))	710,557	(1,110,985)	-	-
Reduction in tax rate	-	-	-	-
Recognition of previously unrecognised tax losses	-	-	-	-
	710,557	**(1,110,985)**	**-**	**-**
Income tax expense	4,199,159	1,334,680	13,091	15,718
	5,441,372	**1,799,934**	**24,198**	**19,613**

(iii) Reconciliation of effective tax rate

	GROUP 2022		COMPANY 2022	
Profit before tax		36,570,063		7,288,386
Income tax using the domestic corporation tax rate	30.0%	10,971,019	30.0%	2,186,516
National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA) levy	0.8%	289,267	0.1%	5,432
Nigeria Police Trust Fund levy	0.005%	1,741	0.005%	364
National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure levy	0.2%	64,199	0.0%	-
Non-deductible expenses	119.1%	43,549,573	0.0%	-
Tax exempt income	(139.1%)	(50,853,578)	(30.0%)	(2,186,516)
Minimum tax	3.4%	1,242,213	0.2%	11,107
Capital gain tax	0.0%	11	0.0%	-
Tertiary education tax	0.5%	176,927	0.1%	7,295
Total tax expense	**14.9%**	**5,441,372**	**0.3%**	**24,198**

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	GROUP		COMPANY	
	2021			
Profit before tax		22,716,659		5,108,311
Income tax using the domestic corporation tax rate	30.0%	6,814,998	30.0%	1,532,493
National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA) levy	0.7%	154,211	0.0%	2,226
Nigeria Police Trust Fund levy	0.0%	1,015	0.0%	255
National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure levy	0.2%	37,996	0.0%	-
Non-deductible expenses	112.6%	25,572,343	0.0%	-
Tax exempt income	(137.6%)	(31,259,119)	(30.0%)	(1,532,493)
Minimum tax	2.0%	465,254	0.1%	3,895
Tertiary education tax	0.1%	13,236	0.3%	13,236
Total tax expense	**7.9%**	**1,799,934**	**8.3%**	**19,613**

(iv) The Banking subsidiary was assessed based on the minimum tax legislation for the year ended 31 December 2022. The Finance Act 2020 and 2021 provides for a reduction in the Minimum tax rate from 0.5% to 0.25% of gross turnover for only two accounting years with respect to financial years ending on any date between 1 January 2020 and 31 December 2021 or 1 January 2021 and 31 December 2022. The Banking subsidiary took advantage of the reduction in minimum tax rate for the financial years ending 31 December 2021 and 2022.

The Order exempts all interests earned on Bonds (Federal, state, local and corporate bodies including supra-national) and other short term securities such as Treasury Bills and Promissory Notes from being subjected to tax imposed under the Companies Income Tax Act. The Order is valid for a period of 10 years from the effective date of the Order, except for Bonds issued by the Federal Government, which will continue to enjoy the exemption. The exemption order has expired on 1 January 2022.

A significant portion of the Banking subsidiary's investment income is derived from short-term securities and government bonds, and as a result, the Banking subsidiary's current income tax assessment for the year under review yields a tax credit in its favour. Consequently, the Banking subsidiary has applied the provisions of the Companies Income Tax Act that mandates a minimum tax assessment, where a tax payer does not have any tax liability arising from its tax assessment.

The Group has not recognised income tax on the Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) because the gain in the Group's OCI is as a result of net unrealised fair value gains on Government securities. The Group has also not recognized deferred tax on these gains as they will not be taxable when they are realised and as such do not represent temporary differences. Realised gains on Nigerian government securities, stocks and share are also exempt from Capital Gains Tax in line with section 30 of the CGT Act.

Nigeria Police Trust Fund Levy: On 24 June 2019, the Nigerian President signed the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (Establishment) Bill ("Police Trust Fund Act" or "the Act") into law. The Act establishes the Nigeria Police Trust Fund (Trust Fund) to provide funds for, inter alia, the training and welfare of personnel of the Nigeria Police Force. The levy is computed on net profit (i.e. profit after deducting all expenses and taxes from revenue earned by the company during the year) of companies operating a business in Nigeria.

National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure (NASENI) levy: (NASENI or "the Agency") was established by the NASENI Act, Cap N3 LFN 2004 ("the Act") in 1992. The Agency has a mandate to manage the research and development of capital goods, production and reverse engineering to enhance local mass production of standard parts, goods, and services required for the nation's technological advancement. In line with Finance Act 2021, the levy is computed on 0.25% of Profit Before Tax for commercial companies in the banking, mobile communication, ICT, aviation, maritime and oil and gas sectors.

The Group utilized the services of the following tax consultants during the year under review:

NAME OF PROFESSIONAL
Pedabo Associates Ltd.

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(v) **Current income tax liability**				
At 1 January	5,449,065	4,502,688	50,926	49,568
Tax paid	(2,957,020)	(1,847,156)	(2,540)	(12,871)
Tax refund (see note (a) below)	(42,574)	(117,386)	-	(5,384)
Minimum tax (see note 20(i))	1,242,213	465,254	11,107	3,895
Capital gain tax	11	-	-	-
National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA) levy (see note 20(i))	289,267	154,211	5,432	2,226
Nigeria Police Trust Fund levy (see note 20(i))	1,741	1,015	364	255
Tertiary education tax (see note 20(i))	176,927	13,236	7,295	13,236
National Agency for Science and Engineering Infrastructure (NASENI) levy (see note 20(i))	64,199	37,996	-	-
Income tax expense (see note 20(i))	2,956,457	2,239,206	-	-
	7,180,286	**5,449,065**	**72,584**	**50,926**
Current	7,180,286	5,449,065	72,584	50,926
Non-current	-	-	-	-
	7,180,286	**5,449,065**	**72,584**	**50,926**

(a) Amount represents withholding tax credit notes utilized during the year. Withholding tax is an advance payment of company income tax (CIT) deducted at source used to net off the tax liability for the year.

21 Cash and cash equivalents

In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
Cash	27,543,538	65,711,784	-	-
Current balances with banks within Nigeria	612,472	2,982,046	30,607	621,755
Current balances with banks outside Nigeria (see note (c) below)	165,204,756	199,717,584	-	-
Placements with local banks	13,806,947	3,905,097	-	-
Placements with foreign banks	12,661,743	45,025,298	-	-
Unrestricted balances with Central banks	27,681,424	45,388,016	-	-
	247,510,880	362,729,825	30,607	621,755
Less impairment allowances (note (a) below)	(25,257)	(29,742)	-	-
	247,485,623	**362,700,083**	**30,607**	**621,755**
Current	247,485,623	362,700,083	30,607	621,755
Non-current	-	-	-	-
	247,485,623	**362,700,083**	**30,607**	**621,755**
(a) **Impairment allowance**				
Balance at 1 January	29,742	35,950	-	9,893
Net remeasurement of loss allowance (see note 10)	21,570	(9,893)	-	(9,893)
Translation difference	(26,055)	3,685	-	-
Closing balance	**25,257**	**29,742**	**-**	**-**

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(b) Cash and cash equivalents comprise balances with less than three months maturity from the date of acquisition, including cash in hand, deposits held at call with other banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities less than three months.

(c) Balances with banks outside Nigeria include N40.46billion (31 December 2021: N39.00billion) which represents the naira value of foreign currency amounts held by the Banking subsidiary on behalf of customers in respect of letters of credit transactions. The corresponding liability is included in other liabilities (see Note 36(a)).

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
22 (a) Non-pledged trading assets				
Federal Government of Nigeria Bonds - fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	47,870,384	12,473,822	-	-
Treasury Bills - fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	39,401	29,064,452	-	-
Fund investments - Government and Others	112,820,990	-	-	-
	160,730,775	**41,538,274**	**-**	**-**
Current	114,364,965	29,064,452	-	-
Non-current	46,365,810	12,473,822	-	-
	160,730,775	**41,538,274**	**-**	**-**
(b) Trading liabilities				
Short sold positions - Federal Government of Nigeria Bonds - fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	1,883,937	-	-	-
Short sold positions - Treasury bills - fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)	-	5,174,902	-	-
	1,883,937	**5,174,902**	**-**	**-**
Current	1,883,937	5,174,902	-	-
Non-current	-	-	-	
	1,883,937	**5,174,902**	**-**	**-**
23 Derivative assets and liabilities held for risk management				
Instrument type				
(a) **Assets:** - Non-deliverable forwards transactions	853,709	-	-	-
- Total return swap transactions	-	-	-	-
	853,709	**-**	**-**	**-**
Current	853,709	-	-	-
Non-current	-	-	-	-
	853,709	**-**	**-**	**-**
(b) **Liabilities** - Non-deliverable forwards transactions	1,699,900	-	-	-
- Total return swap transactions	-	-	-	-
	1,699,900	**-**	**-**	**-**
Current	1,699,900	-	-	-
Non-current	-	-	-	-
	1,699,900	**-**	**-**	**-**

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		GROUP		COMPANY	
	In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
	24 Investment securities				
	Investment securities at amortised cost (see note (a))	255,867,805	172,882,523	8,023,508	6,007,162
	Investment securities at FVOCI - debt instruments (see note (c) below)	231,092,599	172,884,325	-	-
	Investment securities at FVOCI - quoted equity investments (see note (d) below)	105,414	92,776	-	-
	Investment securities at FVOCI - unquoted equity investments (see note (e) below)	37,507,207	26,688,710	-	-
		524,573,025	**372,548,333**	**8,023,508**	**6,007,162**
	Current	200,435,703	205,629,440	8,023,508	-
	Non-current	324,137,322	166,918,893	-	6,007,162
		524,573,025	**372,548,333**	**8,023,508**	**6,007,162**
(a)	**Investment securities at amortised cost**				
	Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) Bonds - listed	195,369,421	107,305,908	-	-
	Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) EuroBonds - listed	37,509,344	17,955,002	-	-
	State Government Bonds - unlisted	14,311,107	15,531,678	-	-
	Corporate bonds - unlisted	7,141,475	27,097,031	3,883,618	3,400,459
	Unclaimed dividend investment fund	1,905,450	1,517,517	1,905,450	1,517,517
	Placements	2,570,131	6,318,344	2,430,506	1,257,583
		258,806,928	**175,725,480**	**8,219,574**	**6,175,559**
	Less impairment allowances (see note (b) below)	(2,939,123)	(2,842,957)	(196,066)	(168,397)
		255,867,805	**172,882,523**	**8,023,508**	**6,007,162**
(b)	**Impairment allowance**				
	At 1 January	2,842,957	2,273,426	168,397	141,117
	Transfer from cash and cash equivalent	-	9,893	-	9,893
	Net remeasurement of loss allowance (see note 10)	3,587	385,613	27,669	17,387
	Translation difference	92,579	174,025	-	-
	Closing balance	**2,939,123**	**2,842,957**	**196,066**	**168,397**
(c)	**Investment securities at FVOCI**				
	Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) Bonds - listed	16,459,790	53,582,848	-	-
	Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) Sukuk Bonds	13,184,243	40,390	-	-
	Treasury bills - listed	182,483,689	118,411,052	-	-
	Bank, Government Bonds, and HQLA Investments (see note (ii) below)	18,451,992	-	-	-
	Legacy Debt Fund	46,414	521,987	-	-
	Legacy USD Bond Fund	295,554	256,000	-	-
	Legacy Money Market Fund	170,917	72,048	-	-
		231,092,599	**172,884,325**	**-**	**-**
(d)	**Impairment allowance**				
	At 1 January	316,503	181,892	-	-
	Net remeasurement of loss allowance (see note 10)	1,061,662	134,611	-	-
	Closing balance	**1,378,165**	**316,503**	**-**	**-**

(i) The impairment of N1.06billion (31 December 2021: N134.61million arising from investment securities at FVOCI for the year was recognised in profit or loss, (see note 10) and other comprehensive income.

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(ii) This represents bank bonds, government bonds, and investments in High Liquid Quality Investments(HQLA). HQLA investments include US Treasury bills and bonds issued by International Bank of Restructuring and Development (IBRD).

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In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(d) **Investment securities at FVOCI - quoted equity investments**				
Industrial and General Insurance Plc	4,326	4,326	-	-
Food Concepts	2,700	2,430	-	-
Legacy Equity Fund	98,388	86,020	-	-
	105,414	**92,776**	**-**	**-**
(f) **Investment securities at FVOCI - unquoted equity investments**				
Credit Reference Company Limited	804,375	371,124	-	-
Nigeria Inter-bank Settlement System Plc	11,138,200	7,466,577	-	-
Africa Finance Corporation	17,521,800	11,875,080	-	-
Africa Export-Import Bank, Cairo	1,830,106	1,346,634	-	-
Smartcard Nigeria Plc	1,509,000	1,020,491	-	-
FMDQ (OTC) Plc	4,597,515	4,482,493	-	-
Financial Derivative Ltd	28,062	28,062	-	-
Shared Agent Network Expansion Facilities Limited (SANEF)	78,149	98,249	-	-
	37,507,207	**26,688,710**	**-**	**-**

(g) The Group designated certain equity investments shown above in note (f) as equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income. The fair value through other comprehensive income designation was made because the investments are expected to be held for the long-term for strategic purposes. None of these strategic investments was disposed during year ended 31 December 2022 / 31 December 2021.

(h) Debt securities classified at amortised cost have interest rates of 8.50% to 16.39% (31 December 2021: 8.50% to 16.39%) and mature between 2022 and 2050 years. Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income have stated interest rates of 10.00% to 16.29% (31 December 2021: 10.00% to 16.29%) and mature between 2022 and 2050 years.

(i) Information about the Group's exposure to credit and market risks and fair value measurement is included in Note 4.

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(i) **Movement in investment securities**

The movement in investment securities for the Group may be summarised as follows:

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Movements in investment securities during the year ended 31 December 2022

In thousands of Naira	Unquoted equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Debt securities at amortised cost	Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Quoted equity securities measured at fair value through profit or loss	Total
At 1 January	26,688,710	172,882,523	172,884,325	92,776	372,548,333
Foreign currency exchange differences recognised profit and loss	-	(1,713,183)	1,785,895	-	72,712
Additions	-	189,302,195	77,629,269	12,638	266,944,103
Disposals	(1,542,320)	(87,354,632)	(10,903,277)	-	(99,800,229)
Gains from changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss	-	-	-	-	-
Gains from changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income	11,207,646	-	(10,303,613)	-	904,033
Foreign currency translation differences recognised in other comprehensive income	1,153,171	-	-	-	1,153,171
Item reclassified subsequently to profit or loss due to disposal	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassification to assets pledged as collateral	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassification from other financial assets	-	-	-	-	-
Amortised cost adjustments	-	(14,309,975)	-	-	(14,309,975)
Impairment allowance	-	(2,939,123)	-	-	(2,939,123)
Closing balance	**37,507,207**	**255,867,805**	**231,092,599**	**105,414**	**524,573,025**

Movements in investment securities during the year ended 31 December 2021:

In thousands of Naira	Unquoted equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Debt securities at amortised cost	Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Quoted equity securities measured at fair value through profit or loss	Total
At 1 January	19,387,491	174,642,182	212,554,430	81,466	406,665,569
Foreign currency exchange differences recognised profit and loss	-	1,863,868	-	-	1,863,868
Additions	872,533	102,301,741	46,013,563	11,310	149,199,146
Disposals	-	(46,163,603)	(30,903,277)	-	(77,066,880)
Gains from changes in fair value recognised in profit or loss	-	-	-	-	-
Gains from changes in fair value recognised in other comprehensive income	4,978,735	(631,321)	(8,278,841)	-	(3,931,427)
Foreign currency translation differences recognised in other comprehensive income	1,399,951	-	-	-	1,399,951
Item reclassified subsequently to profit or loss due to disposal	-	-	-	-	-
Reclassification to assets pledged as collateral	-	(63,358,170)	(48,977,569)	-	(112,335,739)
Reclassification from other financial assets	50,000	-	-	-	50,000
Amortised cost adjustments	-	2,082,942	-	-	2,082,942
Impairment allowance	-	(2,842,957)	-	-	(2,842,957)
Interest earned (see note 8)	-	11,838,040	11,944,563	-	23,782,603
Coupon interest received	-	(6,850,199)	(9,468,544)	-	(16,318,743)
Closing balance	**26,688,710**	**172,882,523**	**172,884,325**	**92,776**	**372,548,333**

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Movements in investment securities during the year ended 31 December 2022

In thousands of Naira	Unquoted equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Debt securities at amortised cost	Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Quoted equity securities measured at fair value through profit or loss	Total
At 1 January	-	6,007,162	-	-	6,007,162
Foreign currency exchange differences recognised profit and loss	-	(374,843)	-	-	(374,843)
Additions	-	2,587,255	-	-	2,587,255
Impairment allowance	-	(196,066)	-	-	(196,066)
Closing balance	**-**	**8,023,508**	**-**	**-**	**8,023,508**

Movements in investment securities during the year ended 31 December 2021

In thousands of Naira	Unquoted equity securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Debt securities at amortised cost	Debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income	Quoted equity securities measured at fair value through profit or loss	Total
At 1 January	-	3,064,229	1,295,770	-	4,359,999
Foreign currency exchange differences recognised profit and loss	-	186,523	-	-	186,523
Additions	-	2,756,410	-	-	2,756,410
Reclassification from other financial assets	-	-	(1,295,770)	-	(1,295,770)
Closing balance	**-**	**6,007,162**	**-**	**-**	**6,007,162**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
25 Assets pledged as collateral				
The nature and carrying amounts of the non tradable financial assets pledged as collaterals are as follows:				
(a) **Investment Securities - FVOCI**				
Treasury Bills - listed	21,168,552	35,772,155	-	-
Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) Bonds - listed	855,486	13,205,414	-	-
	22,024,038	**48,977,569**	-	-
(b) **Investment Securities - FVTPL**				
Treasury Bills - listed	-	3,120,944	-	-
	-	**3,120,944**	**-**	**-**
(c) **Investment Securities - Amortized cost**				
Treasury Bills - listed	-	-	-	-
Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) Bonds - listed	56,985,169	63,358,170	-	-
	56,985,169	**63,358,170**	**-**	**-**
	79,009,207	**115,456,683**	**-**	**-**
Current	21,672,254	44,505,263	-	-
Non-current	57,336,953	70,951,420	-	-
	79,009,207	**115,456,683**	**-**	**-**

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As at the year end, the Group held no collateral, which it was permitted to sell or repledge in the absence of default by the owner of the collateral (31 December 2021: nil).

The assets pledged as collateral were given to the counter parties without transferring the ownership to them. These are held by the counterparty for the term of the transaction being collateralized. These represents pledged assets to these parties:

		GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira		31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Counterparties	**Reasons for pledged securities**				
Nigeria Inter-bank Settlement Plc (NIBSS)	Cards, POS transactions settlements	2,184,482	2,184,482	-	-
Interswitch Nigeria Limited	Cards, POS transactions settlements	13,074,000	9,874,000	-	-
Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS)	Third parties collection transactions	1,500,000	1,500,000	-	-
Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)	Third parties clearing instruments	13,000,000	13,000,000	-	-
Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)	On-lending facilities to customers	-	20,316,000	-	-
Bank of Industry (BOI)	On-lending facilities to customers	5,699,916	11,299,916	-	-
System Specs/Remita	Remita Transfer Transactions	300,000	300,000	-	-
Standard Bank London	Borrowed funds repo transactions	14,216,309	23,387,785	-	-
E-transact	Cards, POS transactions settlements	1,220,000	1,220,000	-	-
Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN)	On-lending facilities to customers	9,874,500	9,874,500	-	-
Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)	FMDQ OTC settlement transactions	3,000,000	3,100,000	-	-
Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN)	Interbank Funding under repurchase agreement	-	15,100,000	-	-
Citi Nominee	FMDQ OTC settlement transactions	14,940,000	4,300,000	-	-
		79,009,207	**115,456,683**	**-**	**-**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
26 Loans and advances to customers				
(a) **Overdrafts**	126,172,138	67,649,104	-	-
Term loans	-863,631,922	949,982,863	-	-
On-lending facilities	246,905,392	85,768,266	-	-
Advances under finance lease (see note (b) below)	10,030,193	9,757,387	-	-
Gross loans and advances to customers at amortised costs	**1,246,739,645**	**1,113,157,620**	**-**	**-**
Less impairment loss allowance	(51,113,059)	(49,568,428)	-	-
Net loans and advances to customers	**1,195,626,586**	**1,063,589,192**	**-**	**-**
Current	601,349,910	540,472,422	-	-
Non-current	594,276,676	523,116,770	-	-
	1,195,626,586	**1,063,589,192**	**-**	**-**

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GROUP	31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
	Gross amount	ECL allowance	Carrying amount	Gross amount	ECL allowance	Carrying amount
Retail customers:						
Mortgage lending	2,699,704	(157,463)	2,542,241	2,339,473	(264,314)	2,075,159
Personal loans	155,978,627	(6,046,999)	149,931,628	138,073,577	(6,954,398)	131,119,179
Credit cards	6,124,394	(304,362)	5,820,032	5,670,519	(538,608)	5,131,911
Corporate customers:						
Finance leases (see note (b) below)	10,030,193	(2,092,925)	7,937,268	9,757,387	(324,232)	9,433,155
Other secured lending	1,071,906,727	(42,511,310)	1,029,395,417	957,316,664	(41,486,876)	915,829,788
	1,246,739,645	**(51,113,059)**	**1,195,626,586**	**1,113,157,620**	**(49,568,428)**	**1,063,589,192**

		GROUP		COMPANY	
	In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(b)	**Finance lease**				
	Loan and advances to customer at amortised cost include the following finance lease:				
	Gross investment:				
	Less than one year	7,107,282	4,955,014	-	-
	Between one and five years	3,978,446	6,206,290	-	-
		11,085,728	**11,161,304**	**-**	**-**
	Unearned finance income	(1,055,535)	(1,403,917)	-	-
	Net investment in finance leases	10,030,193	9,757,387	-	-
	Less impairment allowance	(2,092,925)	(324,232)	-	-
		7,937,268	**9,433,155**	**-**	**-**
	Net investment in finance leases				
	Net investment in finance leases, receivables:				
	Less than one year	7,107,282	4,954,975	-	-
	Between one and five years	2,922,911	4,802,412	-	-
		10,030,193	**9,757,387**	**-**	**-**

(c) Movement on ECL allowance loans and advances to customers at amortised cost

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	31 DEC 2022				31 DEC 2021			
In thousands of Naira	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Total
At 1 January	18,097,492	7,031,662	24,439,274	49,568,428	19,739,723	9,078,158	17,692,772	46,510,653
Transfer to stage 1	3,535,667	(745,515)	(2,790,152)	-	413,288	(360,942)	(52,346)	-
Transfer to stage 2	(570,822)	606,367	(35,545)	-	(116,708)	142,380	(25,672)	-
Transfer to stage 3	(295,748)	(242,761)	538,509	-	(5,909,639)	(14,312)	5,923,951	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	(3,143,677)	3,720,038	21,547,954	22,124,315	3,445,888	(2,292,364)	13,681,146	14,834,670
Write-offs	-	-	(22,218,220)	(22,218,220)	-	-	(12,781,011)	(12,781,011)
Translation difference	253,186	1,244,062	141,288	1,638,536	524,940	478,742	434	1,004,116
Closing balance	**17,876,098**	**11,613,853**	**21,623,108**	**51,113,059**	**18,097,492**	**7,031,662**	**24,439,274**	**49,568,428**

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	GROUP		COMPANY	
	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(d) **Classification of loans by security type**				
Secured against real estate	116,202,109	116,202,109	-	-
Secured by shares of quoted and unquoted companies	18,846,492	18,846,492	-	-
Cash Collateral	106,938,512	106,938,512	-	-
Fixed and floating assets	596,713,337	469,946,068	-	-
Otherwise secured	348,503,762	341,689,006	-	-
Unsecured	59,535,433	59,535,433	-	-
	1,246,739,645	**1,113,157,620**	**-**	**-**

(e) Information about the Group's credit analysis, market risks, and impairment losses for loans and advances is included in Note 4.

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021

27 Other assets

(a) **Other financial assets:**				
E-settlement receivables	8,018,214	20,369,917	-	-
Agric SMEIS receivables (See note (d) below)	3,521,438	2,747,962	-	-
Differentiated Cash Reserve Requirement				
Scheme (DCRR) recievable (See note (e) below)	161,964,144	86,084,707	-	-
Related parties receivables (see note (f) below)	-	-	6,252,893	7,842,766
Insurance claims and fraud receivables (See note (g) below)	4,621,262	3,102,194	-	-
Judgement debt receivables (See note (h) below)	4,231,920	4,043,588	-	-
Accounts receivable - deposits for investments	-	13,601,688	-	-
Accounts receivable- TSA refunds	433,101	433,101	-	-
Accounts receivables	**29,805,608**	**12,593,700**	**173,966**	**85,806**
	212,595,687	142,976,857	6,426,859	7,928,572
Less impairment allowances (note (c) below)	(28,784,201)	(21,209,342)	(92,187)	(92,187)
	183,811,486	**121,767,515**	**6,334,672**	**7,836,385**
(b) **Other non-financial assets:**				
Prepayments	7,091,216	4,780,952	18,804	13,206
Consumables	1,482,375	862,383	-	-
	8,573,591	**5,643,335**	**18,804**	**13,206**
	192,385,077	**127,410,850**	**6,353,476**	**7,849,591**
Current	50,674,365	95,295,621	6,334,672	1,336,385
Non-current	141,710,712	32,115,229	18,804	6,513,206
	192,385,077	**127,410,850**	**6,353,476**	**7,849,591**
(c) **Movement in impairment on other financial assets**				
At 1 January	21,209,342	16,479,783	92,187	92,187
Transfer to stage 1	1,710,397	(1,323,826)	-	-
Transfer to stage 2	(1,500,000)	(3,406,010)	-	-
Transfer to stage 3	(210,397)	4,729,836	-	-
Net remeasurement of loss allowances (see note 10)	6,890,371	4,789,171	-	-
Write-offs	(164,562)	(317,659)	-	-
Translation difference	849,050	258,047	-	-
Balance at the end	**28,784,201**	**21,209,342**	**92,187**	**92,187**

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(d) Agric SMEIS receivables represents the Banking subsidiary's deposit as equity investment in Agri-business/Small and Medium Enterprises Investment Scheme. As approved by the Bankers' Committee on 9th February 2017, all Deposit Money Banks are required to invest 5% of prior year's Profit After Tax as equity investment in the scheme. The balance is wharehoused in other assets pending allocation of investment units from the scheme.

(e) Differentiated Cash Reserve Requirement Scheme (DCRR) receivable represents the special intervention fund with the Central Bank of Nigeria introduced in January 2016 as a reduction in the cash reserve ratio with a view of channeling the reduction to financing the real sector.

(f) The related parties receivable relates to dividend and management fees receivable from subsidiaries.

(g) The amount represents refunds to customers pending the investigation report and recoveries from insurance. This amount has been fully provisioned.

(h) The amount includes Judgement debt receivables in respect of suit against the Banking subsidiary in United Kingdom as ordered by the court of which the sum of £3.34million (N1.82billion) has been transferred to Zumax with recourse.The Banking subsidiary won the case as judgement was awarded in its favour and ordered Zumax to repay the Bank the sum of £3.29million released from the Court Funds Office pursuant to and on terms of the undertakings in the 13 November 2018 Order This amount has been fully provisioned pending recovery.

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
28 Restricted reserve deposits				
Restricted mandatory reserve deposits with central banks (see note (a) below)	470,334,488	309,628,683	-	-
Special Cash Reserve Requirement (see note (b) below)	22,841,064	20,110,464	-	-
LDR Cash Reserve	184,157	-	-	-
	493,359,709	**329,739,147**	**-**	**-**

(a) Restricted mandatory reserve deposits are not available for use in the Banking subsidiary and Group's day-to-day operations. Mandatory reserve deposits are non interest-bearing and are computed as a fixed percentage of the Bank's qualifying deposit liabilities. For the purposes of the Statement of cashflow, these balances are excluded from cash and cash equivalents.

(b) Special Cash Reserve Requirement represents a 5% special intervention reserve held with the Central Bank of Nigeria as a regulatory requirement.

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
29 Investment in Subsidiaries				
(a) Investment in subsidiaries comprises:				
First City Monument Bank Limited (see note (i) below)	-	-	115,422,326	115,422,326
FCMB Capital Markets Limited (see note (ii) below)	-	-	240,000	240,000
CSL Stockbrokers Limited (CSLS) (see note (iii) below)	-	-	3,053,777	3,053,777
FCMB Trustees Limited (see note (iv) below)	-	-	220,000	220,000
FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited (see note (v) below)	-	-	1,000,000	150,000
FCMB Pensions Limited (see note (vi) below)	-	-	11,925,884	7,925,884
Credit Direct Limited (see note (vii) below)	-	-	366,210	366,210
Carrying amount	**-**	**-**	**132,228,197**	**127,378,197**
Current	-	-	-	-
Non-current	-	-	132,228,197	127,378,197
	-	**-**	**132,228,197**	**127,378,197**

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(b) **Group entities**

The subsidiary companies, country of incorporation, nature of business, percentage equity holding and period consolidated with the parent company are as detailed below:

Company Name	Country of incorporation	Nature of Business	% of equity capital held (Direct holdings)	Financial year end
(1) First City Monument Bank Limited (see Note (i) below)	Nigeria	Banking	100%	31 Dec 2022
(2) FCMB Capital Markets Limited (see Note (ii) below)	Nigeria	Capital Market	100%	31 Dec 2022
(3) CSL Stockbrokers Limited (CSLS) (see Note (iii) below)	Nigeria	Stockbroking	100%	31 Dec 2022
(4) FCMB Trustees Limited (see Note (iv) below)	Nigeria	Trusteeship	100%	31 Dec 2022
(5) FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited (see Note (v) below)	Nigeria	Micro-lending	100%	31 Dec 2022
(6) FCMB Pensions Limited (see Note (vi) below)	Nigeria	Pension Fund Administrator	91.28%	31 Dec 2022
(7) Credit Direct Limited (see Note (vii) below)	Nigeria	Micro-lending	100%	31 Dec 2022

(i) This represents the cost of the Company's 100% equity holding in First City Monument Bank Limited. The Company was incorporated under the Companies and Allied Matters Act as a Private Limited Liability Company on 20 April, 1982. It was licensed on 11 August, 1983 to carry on the business of Commercial Banking and Commercial Business on 1 September 1983. The Bank was converted into a Public Limited Liability Company and its shares listed on the Nigerian Stock Exchange on 21 December, 2004. The Bank was however delisted from the Nigerian Stock Exchange on 21 June 2013 and registered as a Limited Liability Company on 4 September 2013 following the group restructuring.

(ii) This represents the cost of the Company's 100% equity holding in FCMB Capital Markets Limited. The Company was incorporated in April 4, 2002.

(iii) This represents the cost of the Company's 100% equity holding in CSL Stockbrokers Limited. The Company was incorporated on January 24, 1979 and commenced operations in May 1979.

(iv) This represents the cost of the Company's 100% equity holding in FCMB Trustees Limited. The Company was incorporated in November 24, 2010. The company invested additional N180m in FCMB Trustees Limited in September 2015 in order to recapitalise the business in line with the new SEC minimum capitalisation policy of N300m for trustee businesses in Nigeria. The company changed it's name from CSL Trustees Limited to FCMB Trustees Limited in February 2019.

(v) This represents the cost of the Company's 100% equity holding in FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited. The Company was incorporated on February 25, 2015 and started operations on January 1, 2017. The company invested additional N850m in FCMB Micrifinance Bank Limited in December 2022 in order to recapitalise the business in line with the Central Bank of Nigeria directive to recapitalise Microfinance Banks with State License to N1billion.

(vi) This represents the Company's 92.80% equity holding in FCMB Pensions Limited, a pension fund manager licensed to carry on the business of fund and pension management. The company was incorporated in April 2005 and commenced operations in May 2005. FCMB Pensions Limited was a former associate company to the Group by virtue of the Group's initial 28.22% equity holding. However, the Group acquired additional 60% ,3.42% and 1.16% equity holding in November 2017, August 2018 and August 2020 repectively thereby raising the total equity holding to 92.80%. The company changed it's name from Legacy Pension Managers Limited to FCMB Pensions Limited in November 2018.

In October 2021, FCMB Pensions Limited obtained approval for the acquisition of 60% stake in AIICO Pensions Limited. Another approval was obtained in February 2022 for additional 36.3% shareholding of AIICO Pension Limited bringing the total interest in the entity to 96%. FCMB Pensions concluded the acquisition of the 96% stake in AIICO Pensions on February 28, 2022 and integrated both businesses. With this integration the FCMB Pensions Limited now accounts for one of the largest PFAs in Nigeria with a combined total Assets Under Management of N592billion and increase in the number of contributors nationwide. In 2022, FCMB Group Plc took up a right issue of N4billion in FCMB Pensions Limited. The consideration for the rights issue was settled by a reclassification from a receivable account with FCMB Pensions Limited.

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The company's stake in FCMB Pensions Limited was reduced to 91.28% post acquisition of AIICO Pension and after the rights issue.

(vii) This represents the Company's 100% equity holding in Credit Direct Limited. The Company was incorporated on June 13, 2006 and commenced operations in January 2007.

(viii) There are no significant restrictions on the ability of subsidiaries to transfer funds to the Group in the form of cash dividends or repayment of loans and advances.

(ix) The investments are carried at cost less impairment. There was no impairments on any of the subsidiaries as at the reporting date (2021; nil).

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
30 Investment in associates				
(a) Investment in associate company:				
Balance at 1 January	6,810,651	-	-	-
Transfer to business combination (See note (c) below)	(6,810,651)			
Investment in AIICO Pensions Limited	-	6,715,273	-	-
Share of profit after tax	-	95,378	-	-
Balance at 31 December	**-**	**6,810,651**	**-**	**-**
(b) Summarised financial information of the Group's principal associates are as follows:				
Current assets	-	2,428,456	-	-
Non -current assets	-	145,645	-	-
Current Liabilities	-	623,955	-	-
Total equity	-	1,950,147	-	-
Revenue	-	1,810,138	-	-
Profit for the year	-	28,929	-	-
Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	**-**	**28,929**	**-**	**-**

(c) N6.8billion represents the Group's 60% holding in AIICO Pensions Limited through FCMB Pensions Limited as at 31 December 2021. However, On February 28, 2022 FCMB Pension Managers Limited concluded the acquisition of 96% of the issued share capital of AIICO Pension Managers limited, thereby obtaining control of AIICO Pension Managers Limited. AIICO Pension Managers Limited is a Pensions funds administratoion and management company and qualifies as a business as defined in IFRS 3.

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31 Property and equipment

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31 DEC 2022 *In thousands of Naira*	Leasehold land	Buildings	Right-of-use Assets-Buildings	Leasehold improvement	Motor vehicles	Furniture, fittings and Equipment	Computer equipment	Capital Work in progress	Total
Cost									
At 1 January	4,684,743	25,253,370	6,212,749	6,127,177	5,213,591	43,298,597	9,999,494	709,442	101,499,163
On Acquiition of AIICO Pensions	-	-	-	-	12,914	26,300	61,229	-	100,443
Additions during the year	20,000	290,126	362,861	309,489	718,182	5,177,177	599,040	4,272,083	11,748,958
Reclassifications	-	54,072	-	-	966.00	483,294	11,684	(550,016)	-
Transfer from intangible assets (see note 32)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(70,805)	(70,805)
Disposal during the year	-	(62,489)	-	-	(329,607)	(4,098,113)	(2,768)	(1,505)	(4,494,482)
Derecognised during the year	-	-	(1,371,815)	-	-	-	-	-	(1,371,815)
Items written-off during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(74,245)	(74,245)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	-	114,809	11,679	-	8,543	230	-	135,261
Balance at the end	**4,704,743**	**25,535,079**	**5,318,604**	**6,448,345**	**5,616,046**	**44,895,798**	**10,668,909**	**4,284,954**	**107,472,478**
Accumulated depreciation									
At 1 January	-	4,954,875	2,116,645	4,454,005	4,437,440	29,218,142	9,233,505	-	54,414,612
Depreciation for the year (see note 16)	-	618,235	586,762	377,676	565,073	5,098,365	420,214	-	7,666,325
Eliminated on Disposal	-	(19,084)	-	-	(329,607)	(4,098,113)	(2,768)	-	(4,449,572)
Derecognised during the year	-	-	(831,296)	-	-	-	-	-	(831,296)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	131,764	32,670	(210,528)	(188,417)	(10,512)	(50,090)	-	(295,113)
Balance at the end	**-**	**5,685,790**	**1,904,781**	**4,621,153**	**4,484,489**	**30,207,882**	**9,600,861**	**-**	**56,504,956**

31 DEC 2021 *In thousands of Naira*	Leasehold land	Buildings	Right-of-use Assets-Buildings	Leasehold improvement	Motor vehicles	Furniture, fittings and Equipment	Computer equipment	Capital Work in progress	Total
Cost									
At 1 January	4,684,743	24,819,328	5,418,126	6,114,556	5,307,299	36,823,734	9,605,213	2,013,515	94,786,514
Additions during the year	-	306,437	1,066,788	6,374	52,785	4,931,102	371,708	420,271	7,155,464
Reclassifications	-	127,605	-	-	-	1,571,020	25,637	(1,724,262)	-
Transfer from intangible assets (see note 31)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposal during the year	-	-	-	-	(146,493)	(32,607)	(3,188)	-	(182,287)
Derecognised during the year	-	-	(386,974)	-	-	-	-	-	(386,974)
Items written-off during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(82)	(82)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	-	114,809	6,247	-	5,348	124	-	126,528
Balance at the end	**4,684,743**	**25,253,370**	**6,212,749**	**6,127,177**	**5,213,591**	**43,298,597**	**9,999,494**	**709,442**	**101,499,163**
Accumulated depreciation									
At 1 January	-	4,503,685	1,523,655	4,238,371	4,328,727	25,044,352	8,945,260	-	48,584,050
Depreciation for the year (see note 16)	-	527,626	733,874	142,146	509,270	4,230,694	319,207	-	6,462,817
Eliminated on Disposal	-	(76,436)	-	69,994	(400,557)	(59,961)	(31,085)	-	(498,045)
Derecognised during the year	-	-	(162,165)	-	-	-	-	-	(162,165)
Effect of movements in exchange rates	-	-	21,281	3,494	-	3,057	123	-	27,955
Balance at the end	**-**	**4,954,875**	**2,116,645**	**4,454,005**	**4,437,440**	**29,218,142**	**9,233,505**	**-**	**54,414,612**
Carrying amounts:									
Balance at 31 December 2022	**4,704,743**	**19,849,289**	**3,413,823**	**1,827,192**	**1,131,557**	**14,687,916**	**1,068,048**	**4,284,954**	**50,967,522**
Balance at 31 December 2021	4,684,743	20,298,495	4,096,104	1,673,172	776,151	14,080,455	765,989	709,442	47,084,551

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31 DEC 2022 *In thousands of Naira*	Leasehold land	Buildings	Right-of-use Assets-Buildings	Leasehold improvement	Motor vehicles	Furniture, fittings and Equipment	Computer equipment	Capital Work in progress	Total
Cost									
At 1 January	-	-	-	5,181	52,500	20,759	12,437	-	90,877
Additions during the year	-	-	-	-	-	7,130	1,978	-	9,108
Reclassifications	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfer from intangible assets (see note 31)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Disposal during the year	-	-	-	-	-	(189)	(2,768)	-	(2,957)
Derecognised during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Items written-off	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at the end	**-**	**-**	**-**	**5,181**	**52,500**	**27,700**	**11,647**	**-**	**97,028**
Accumulated depreciation									
At 1 January	-	-	-	4,267	29,531	9,629	4,635	-	48,062
Depreciation for the year (see note 16)	-	-	-	518	13,125	3,925	2,341	-	19,909
Eliminated on Disposal	-	-	-	-	-	(189)	(919)	-	(1,108)
Derecognised during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance at the end	**-**	**-**	**-**	**4,785**	**42,656**	**13,365**	**6,057**	**-**	**66,863**

31 DEC 2021 *In thousands of Naira*	Leasehold land	Buildings	Right-of-use Assets-Buildings	Leasehold improvement	Motor vehicles	Furniture, fittings and Equipment	Computer equipment	Capital Work in progress	Total
Cost									
At 1 January	-	-	-	5,181	91,893	19,181	9,018	-	125,273
Additions during the year	-	-	-	-	-	8,988	6,607	-	15,594
Disposal during the year	-	-	-	-	(39,393)	(7,410)	(3,188)	-	(49,990)
Balance at the end	**-**	**-**	**-**	**5,181**	**52,500**	**20,759**	**12,437**	**-**	**90,877**
Accumulated depreciation									
At 1 January	-	-	-	3,749	24,613	14,212	4,386	-	46,960
Depreciation for the year (see note 16)	-	-	-	518	14,766	2,096	2,039	-	19,419
Eliminated on Disposal	-	-	-	-	(9,848)	(6,679)	(1,790)	-	(18,317)
Balance at the end	**-**	**-**	**-**	**4,267**	**29,531**	**9,629**	**4,635**	**-**	**48,062**
Carrying amounts:									
Balance at 31 December 2022	**-**	**-**	**-**	**396**	**9,844**	**14,335**	**5,590**	**-**	**30,165**
Balance at 31 December 2021	-	-	-	914	22,969	11,130	7,802	-	42,815

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		GROUP		COMPANY	
	In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
32	**Intangible assets**				
	Software (see note (a) below)	8,751,557	5,816,993	12,094	-
	Goodwill (see note (d) below)	19,291,037	11,338,977	-	-
	Customer relationships (see note (e) below)	1,594,999	-	-	-
		29,637,593	**17,155,970**	**12,094**	**-**
(a)	**Software**				
	Cost				
	At 1 January	16,472,531	14,055,712	3,851	3,851
	On acquisition of AIICO	249,787	-	-	-
	Additions during the year	3,884,195	1,268,836	-	-
	Work-in-progress - additions during the year	842,710	1,126,533	12,094	-
	Effect of movement in exchange rates	(10,320)	21,450	-	-
	Balance at the end	**21,438,903**	**16,472,531**	**15,945**	**3,851**
	Accumulated amortisation				
	At 1 January	10,655,538	9,073,029	3,851	3,851
	On acquisition of AIICO	229,225	-	-	-
	Amortisation for the year (see note 16)	2,005,606	1,564,874	-	-
	Effect of movement in exchange rates	(203,023)	17,635	-	-
	Balance at the end	**12,687,346**	**10,655,538**	**3,851**	**3,851**
	Carrying amount	**8,751,557**	**5,816,993**	**12,094**	**-**

(b) There were no capitalised borrowing costs related to any acquisition during the year (31 December 2021: nil)
(c) There was no impairment loss on the Group's software during the year (31 December 2021: nil)

		GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
(d)	**Goodwill**				
	At 1 January	11,338,977	11,338,977	-	-
	Acquired during the year(see note (f) below)	7,952,060	-	-	-
	Carrying amount	**19,291,037**	**11,338,977**	**-**	**-**
(e)	**Customer relationships**				
	At 1 January	-	-	-	-
	Acquired during the year- (see note (g) below)	1,677,217	-	-	-
		1,677,217	**-**	**-**	**-**
	Accumulated depreciation				
	At 1 January	-	-	-	-
	Charged during the year:	82,218	-	-	-
		82,218	**-**	**-**	**-**
	Net book value	**1,594,999**	**-**	**-**	**-**
		29,637,593	**17,155,970**	**12,094**	**-**
	Current	-	-	-	-
	Non-current	29,637,593	17,155,970	12,094	-
		29,637,593	**17,155,970**	**12,094**	**-**

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(f) This is the Goodwill arising from the acquisition of AIICO Pension by FCMB Pensions Limited. This Goodwill is reviewed annually or more frequently for impairment when there are objective indicators that impairment may have occurred by comparing the carrying value to its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount has been calculated based on the value in use of the Cash Generating Units (CGUs), determined by discounting the future cashflows expected to be generated from the continuing use of the CGUs assets and the ultimate disposals. No impairment losses were recognised during the year because the recoverable amounts of these CGUs were determined to be higher than the carrying amount.

(g) The acquisition of AIICO Pensions by FCMB Pensions Limited led to the recognition of intangible assets on customers relationship. The total intangible asset on initial recognition is N1.67billion.

This will be amortised over 17 years. The net book value as at 31 December 2022 is N1.594billion.

(h) Goodwill is reviewed annually or more frequently for impairment when there are objective indicators that impairment may have occurred by comparing the carrying value to its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount has been calculated based on the value in use of the Cash Generating Units (CGUs), determined by discounting the future cashflows expected to be generated from the continuing use of the CGUs assets and the ultimate disposals. No impairment losses were recognised during the year (31 December 20201: nil) because the recoverable amounts of these CGUs were determined to be higher than the carrying amount.

No impairment losses were recognised during the year (31 December 2021: nil) because the recoverable amounts of these CGUs were determined to be higher than the carrying amount by N27.0billion.

The key assumptions used in the calculation of value in use were as follows. The values assigned to the key assumptions represent management's assessment of future trends in the relevant sectors of the bank and have been based on historical data from both external and internal sources.

	FCMB Pensions Limited		CSL Stockbrokers Limited		Personal Banking Group	
	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2021	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2021	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2021
Goodwill	N13.09billion*	N5.14billion	N0.21billion	N0.21billion	N5.99billion	N5.99billion
Discount rate (see below)	25.05%	21.40%	24.30%	26.50%	22.43%	24.20%
Terminal value growth rate	3.90%	3.90%	3.00%	3.00%	5.00%	3.90%
Forecast profit before taxes (average of next five years)	N20.04billion	N17.40billion	N1.213billion	N1.112billion	N18.30billion	N20.04billion
Forecast profit before taxes growth rate (average of next five years)	27.90%	21.90%	9.60%	7.40%	19.13%	15.40%

* N13.09billion is inclusive of N7.95billion goodwill in the books of FCMB Pensions Limited arising from the acquisition of AIICO Pensions.

For FCMB Pensions Limited and CSL Stockbrokers Limited, the discount rate was a pre-tax measure (27.9% and 43.2% respectively) derived using the capital asset pricing model (CAPM) approach and that reflects the inherent risks of the specific CGU. The discount rate for the Personal Banking Group of FCMB Limited was a pre-tax measure based on the rate of the Bank’s year 2024 Naira bond issued in the relevant market and in the same currency as the cash flows, adjusted for a risk premium to reflect both the increased risk of investing in equities generally and the systematic risk of the specific CGU.

Five years of cash flows were included in the discounted cash flow model. The terminal growth rate was derived from the average GDP growth rate of Nigeria from 1982 until 2021, and adjusted for industry expectations on the growth of the relevant CGU.

Forecast profit before taxes was based on expectations of future outcomes taking into account past experience, adjusted for the anticipated revenue growth. Revenue growth was projected taking into account the average growth levels experienced over the past four years and the estimated growth for the next five years.

The key assumptions described above may change as economic and market conditions change. The Group estimates that reasonably possible changes in these assumptions would not cause the recoverable amount of either CGU to decline below the carrying amount.

32.1 Acquisitions:

FCMB Pensions acquired 60% equity stake in AIICO Pensions Managers Limited from the various sellers at a purchase consideration of N6.7 billion as at October 2021 and additional 36.29% in February 2022 for purchase consideration of N4.0 billion thereby bringing the total equity stake to 96.29%. Shareholders of the remaining 3.6% in AIICO Pension Managers Limited exchanged their AIICO Pension Managers Limited shares for shares in FCMB Pensions (every 53 shares in AIICO Pension Managers Limited was exchange for 20 shares in FCMB Pensions). FCMB Pensions Limited now owns 100% of AIICO Pensions Limited.

The acquisition led to FCMB Pensions obtaining control of AIICO Pension Managers Limited. AIICO Pension Managers Limited is a Pensions funds administration and management company and qualifies as a business as defined in IFRS 3.

Taking control of AIICO Pension Managers Limited will enable the Group expand its Investment Management segment in Nigeria. The acqusition is expected to provide the Group with increased market share and customer base in Nigeria.

If the acquisition had occured on 1 January 2022, the total revenue of FCMB Pensions would have been N6.098 billion and profit before tax of N 2.049 billion.

32.1a Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed

Acquired assets and liabilities of the AIICO Pensions at fair value, and excess of the consideration paid over the group's interest in the net fair value of liabilities acquired in aggregate at the acquisition date, were as follows:

Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	1,455,694
Financial assets	300,592
Trade and other receivables	247,207
Other Assets	11,159
Intangible assets	1,677,217
Property, plant and equipment	100,443
Liabilities	
Trade and other payables	(809,353)
Income tax payable	(71,487)
Deferred tax Liabilities	(21,179)
Net Assets	**2,910,855**
Cost of acquisition- Cash	
- Cash consideration paid in February 2022	3,997,129
- Fair value of initial holdings of 60% acquired in October 2021	6,657,314
- Fair value of FCMB Pensions Limited shares issued to previous AIICO Pension Managers Limited minorities (3.6%)	208,472
Total consideration	**10,862,915**
Less:'Net assets acquired at fair value as above	(2,910,855)
	7,952,060
Represented by:	
Goodwill	7,952,060

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Directly attributable acquisition costs of N15.6 milion million have been expensed and are included, under IFRS 3 (revised), within other operating expenses in the consolidated income statement.

This summary does not include any possible synergies from the acquisition nor any actions taken by management subsequent to the acquisition.

32.1b Reconciliation of cost of acquisition net cash acquired

- Consideration paid for additional shares of 36.29%	3,997,129
- Cash acquired on acquisition(see note 32.1a above)	(1,455,694)
Acquisition of AIICO Pension (net of cash acquired)	**2,541,435**

32.1c Measurements of fair values

The valuation techniques used for measuring the fair value of material assets acquired were as follows.

Assets Acquired	Valuation Technique
Financial assets	Quoted prices in active market: The group meausred the fair value of investments acquired using quoted prices in active markets.
Property, plant and equipment	Market comparison technique and cost technique: The valuation considered market prices for similar items if they were available, and depreciated replacement cost when appropriate. Depreciated replacement cost reflected adjustments for physical deterioration as well as functional and economic obsolescence.
Intangible assets	**Customers Relationships:** The Multi period excess earnings was used to fair value the Customers relationships. The multi-period excess earnings method considers the present value of net cash flows expected to be generated by the customer relationships, by excluding any cash flows related to contributory assets. The value of the intangible asset is calculated by valuing the residual income stream of the business after deduction of an a ppropriate Contributory Asset Charges ("CAC") to reflect the return attributable to all the intangible and tangible assets employed within the business.

The receivables and payables represents gross contractual sum less provision for impaired amount as at the acquisition date.

33 Deferred tax assets and liabilities

(a) **Recognised deferred tax assets and liabilities**

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are attributable to the following:

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	Assets	Liabilities	Net	Assets	Liabilities	Net
In thousands of Naira		31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021	
Property and equipment	1,202,216	(391,897)	810,319	1,203,659	(308,729)	894,930
Allowances for loan losses	2,403,788	-	2,403,788	2,403,788	-	2,403,788
Tax loss carried forward	4,845,892	-	4,845,892	5,556,449	-	5,556,449
Effects of movement in exchange rates	(28,165)		(28,165)	-	-	
Net tax assets/ (liabilities)	**8,423,731**	**(391,897)**	**8,031,834**	**9,163,896**	**(308,729)**	**8,855,167**

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	GROUP		COMPANY	
	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Deferred tax assets				
Current	-	-	-	-
Non-current	8,423,731	9,163,896	-	-
	8,423,731	**9,163,896**	**-**	**-**
Deferred tax liabilities				
Current	-	-	-	-
Non-current	391,897	308,729	-	-
	391,897	**308,729**	**-**	**-**

(b) **Movements in temporary differences during the year ended 31 December 2022**

GROUP

	Balance at 1 January 2022	Recognised in profit or loss	Recognised in other comprehensive income	Balance at 31 December 2022
Property and equipment	1,203,659	(1,444)	-	1,202,215
Allowances for loan losses	2,403,788	-	-	2,403,788
Tax loss carried forward	5,556,449	(710,557)	-	4,845,892
Effects of movement in exchange rates	-	(28,165)	-	(28,165)
	9,163,896	**(740,166)**	**-**	**8,423,730**

Movements in temporary differences during the year ended 31 December 2021

GROUP

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Recognised in profit or loss	Recognised in other comprehensive income	Balance at 31 December 2021
Property and equipment	1,203,659	-	-	1,203,659
Allowances for loan losses	2,403,788	-	-	2,403,788
Tax loss carried forward	4,395,272	1,161,177	-	5,556,449
	8,002,719	**1,161,177**	**-**	**9,163,896**

The Group has applied judgment that the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) will likely extend the Companies Income Tax (Exemption of Bonds and Short Term Government Securities) Order, 2011, beyond 2022, in order to stimulate continuous participation in the treasury bills market and to meet government funding needs.

(c) **Unrecognised deferred tax assets**

The amount of deductible temporary differences for which no deferred tax asset is recognised in the Bank & Group is detailed below:

	31 DEC 2022		31 DEC 2021	
In thousands of Naira	Gross amount	Tax Impact	Gross Impact	Tax amount
Tax losses	88,055,750	26,416,725	90,578,857	27,173,657
Allowance for loan losses and other losses	28,005,972	8,961,911	24,600,932	7,872,298
Property and equipment (unutilised capital allowance)	14,651,518	4,395,455	37,702,510	11,310,753
Other deductible temporary differences	19,623,465	5,887,040	35,678	10,703
	150,336,705	**45,661,131**	**152,917,977**	**46,367,411**

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Deferred tax assets have not been recognized in respect of these items because it is not presently probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the Group can use the benefits therefrom.

(d) The tax losses for which no deferred tax asset was recognised, will never expire.

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
34 Deposits from the banks				
Money market deposits	11,255,709	48,908,251	-	-
Trade related obligations to foreign banks	113,109,750	111,838,665	-	-
	124,365,459	**160,746,916**	**-**	**-**
Current	124,365,459	160,746,916	-	-
Non-current	-	-	-	-
	124,365,459	**160,746,916**	**-**	**-**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
35 Deposits from customers				
Retail customers:				
Term deposits	500,071,657	326,868,230	-	-
Current deposits	434,974,668	470,995,914	-	-
Savings	508,279,930	414,087,422	-	-
	1,443,326,255	**1,211,951,566**	**-**	**-**
Corporate customers:				
Term deposits	221,763,227	142,399,572	-	-
Current deposits	279,819,087	200,062,485	-	-
	501,582,314	**342,462,057**	**-**	**-**
	1,944,908,569	**1,554,413,623**	**-**	**-**
Current	1,934,142,652	1,552,995,107	-	-
Non-current	10,765,917	1,418,516	-	-
	1,944,908,569	**1,554,413,623**	**-**	**-**

Corporate customers represents deposits from corporate bodies, government agencies while retail customers represents deposits from individuals, unregistered small and medium scale business ventures.

36 Retirement benefit obligations

Defined contribution scheme

The Group and its employees make a joint contribution, 18% of basic salary, housing and transport allowance to each employee's retirement savings account maintained with their nominated pension fund administrators. During the year, the Group complied with the Pension Reform Act 2014 and contributed 10% while employees contributed 8%. The payment made to the pension fund administrators are up to date.

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Total contributions to the scheme for the year were as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
At 1 January	14,855	325,557	-	-
Charged to profit or loss for the year (see note 15)	716,687	672,205	15,756	10,788
Employee contribution for the year	573,350	625,940	12,605	8,630
Total amounts remitted for the year	(1,281,508)	(1,608,847)	(28,361)	(19,418)
Balance at the end	**23,384**	**14,855**	**-**	**-**
Current	23,384	7,764	-	-
Non-current	-	-	-	-
	23,384	**7,764**	**-**	**-**

37 Other liabilities

(a) **Other financial liabilities:**				
Customers' deposit for letters of credit	40,456,852	38,998,581	-	-
Bank cheques/drafts	4,622,679	5,773,225	-	-
Negotiated letters of credits	82,703,032	16,236,590	-	-
E-settlement payables	14,373,451	3,780,036	-	-
Withholding tax and value added tax payables	1,914,848	1,178,988	6,040	45,743
Collections account balances (see note (c))	5,800,524	92,697,835	-	-
Unclaimed items	6,198,564	6,268,231	-	-
Undisbursed intervention funds (see note (d))	908,267	2,302,269	-	-
AMCON Sinking fund accounts payable (see note (e))	1,017,317	973,061	-	-
Accounts payables	23,670,439	22,266,784	5,945,392	5,767,228
Accounts payable - unclaimed dividend	1,697,849	1,377,491	1,697,849	1,377,491
	183,363,822	**191,853,091**	**7,649,281**	**7,190,462**
(b) **Other non-financial liabilities:**				
Deferred income & Rent received in advance (see note (f))	2,536,881	649,725	-	-
Accrued expenses	8,576,433	4,346,079	452,849	315,303
Lease liability (see note (g))	2,425,035	2,616,329	-	-
	13,538,349	**7,612,133**	**452,849**	**315,303**
	196,902,171	**199,465,224**	**8,102,130**	**7,505,765**
Current	175,938,377	181,754,463	1,628,923	7,190,462
Non-current	20,963,794	17,710,761	6,473,207	315,303
	196,902,171	**199,465,224**	**8,102,130**	**7,505,765**

(c) Collections are balances held in trust on behalf of customers for various transactions. These include collection for remittances, payments, etc.

(d) This relates to onlending facilities undisbursed as customers are yet to meet conditions precedent to drawdown.

(e) This relates to AMCON sinking fund contribution for prior years as advised by Central Bank of Nigeria, based on the recalculation in line with the AMCON Amendment Act 2015. This amount is payable over a period of five years commencing in year 2019.

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(f) This relates to outstanding rent paid in advances from sublet and Included deferred income are fees on financial guarantee contracts, which represents the amount initially recognised less cumulative amortisation.

(g) The Group leases a number of properties to serve as its branch outlets. The net carrying amount of leased assets, included within property and equipment as right-of-use assets is N4.79billion as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: N3.84billion) for the Group. The Group has applied 16.17% as the weighted average incremental borrowing rate to lease liability on transition date.

The undiscounted cash flow payments on the lease liabilities extend over a number of years. This is analysed as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2021
Not more than one year	611,249	-	-	-
Over one year but less than five years	1,761,391	119,931	-	-
More than five years	52,395	2,496,398	-	-
	2,425,035	**2,616,329**	**-**	**-**
The table below shows the movement in lease liability during the year:				
As at 1 January	2,616,329	2,509,561	-	-
Additions during the year	257,649	386,974	-	-
Interest expense on lease liabilities	243,523	215,756	-	-
Less: Lease payments	(561,182)	(456,701)	-	-
Less: Derecognised lease liability	(318,340)	(99,115)	-	-
Lease modification	109,832	-	-	-
Effects of movement in exchange rates	77,224	59,854	-	-
Balance at the end	**2,425,035**	**2,616,329**	**-**	**-**

The Group does not face any significant risk with regards to the lease liability. Also the Banking subsidiary's exposure to liquidity risk as a result of leases are monitored by the Banking subsidiary's enterprise risk management unit.

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
38 Provision				
Legal claims (see note (d))	5,492,417	4,856,591	-	-
Financial guarantee contracts and loan commitments issued (see note (b))	2,022,467	1,890,679	-	-
	7,514,884	**6,747,270**	**-**	**-**

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(a) **Movement in provision during the year**

	31 DEC 2022				31 DEC 2021			
	Legal claims	Financial guarantee contracts and loan commitments issued	Deferred income	Total	Legal claims	Financial guarantee contracts and loan commitments issued	Deferred income	Total
GROUP								
At 1 January	4,856,591	1,890,680	-	6,747,271	4,170,311	1,530,012	625,052	6,325,375
Net remeasurement loss allowance (see note 10)	-	129,099	-	129,099	-	363,785	-	363,785
Provisions made during the year (see note 18(a))	915,000	-	-	915,000	864,413	-	-	864,413
Provisions write-back during the year (see note 18(a))	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amount utilised during the year	(464,124)	-	-	(464,124)	(297,033)	-	-	(297,033)
Amount reclassifed to the other liabilities during the year	-	-	-	-	-	-	(625,052)	(625,052)
Effects of movement in exchange rates	184,950	2,688	-	187,638	118,900	(3,117)	-	115,783
Balance at the end	**5,492,417**	**2,022,467**	**-**	**7,514,884**	**4,856,591**	**1,890,680**	**-**	**6,747,270**

(b) The amount represents the sum of ECL provision of N1.59billion (31 December 2021: N1.33billion) on financial guarantee contracts and N424.59million (31 December 2021: N300.84million on undrawn loan commitments respectively in respect of financial guarantee contracts and loan commitment issued.

(c) Included in deferred income are fees on financial guarantee contracts, which represents the amount initially recognised less cumulative amortisation reclassified to other liabilities.

(d) **Legal claims:** This represents provision reserved for pending probable legal cases that may crystallize, see note 43.

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	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
39 On-lending facilities				
Bank of industry (BOI) (see note (a) below)	2,660,992	1,692,065	-	-
Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme (CACS) (see note (b) below)	3,588,737	9,458,134	-	-
Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF) (see note (c) below)	57,693,996	9,990,796	-	-
Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF) Differentiated Cash Reserve Requirement Scheme (DCRR) (see note (d) below)	104,628,881	87,374,305	-	-
Power & Aviation Intervention Fund (see note (e) below)	11,243,240	14,736,961	-	-
"Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Fund (MSMEDF) (see note (f) below)"	2,045,071	229,192	-	-
Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN) (see note (g) below)	60,830,734	34,392,321	-	-
Nigerian Export - Import Bank (NEXIM) (see note (h) below)	6,500,000	-	-	-
	249,191,651	**157,873,774**	**-**	**-**
Current	81,762,920	21,714,977	-	-
Non-current	167,428,731	136,158,797	-	-
	249,191,651	**157,873,774**	**-**	**-**

(a) Bank of Industry (BOI) Intervention

The Bank of Industry (BOI) - SME / Manufacturing Intervention Fund represents an intervention credit granted to the Banking subsidiary for the purpose of refinancing / restructuring existing loans to Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs) and Manufacturing Companies. The facility is secured by Nigerian Government Securities. The value of Government securities pledged as collateral is N5.70billion for 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: N11.30billion), (see note 27 (c)). The maximum tenor for term loans under the programme is 15 years while the tenor for working capital is one year, renewable annually subject to a maximum tenor of five years. A management fee of 1% per annum is deductible at source in the first year, and quarterly in arrears thereafter, is paid by the Banking subsidiary under the intervention programme and the Banking subsidiary is under obligation to on-lend to customers at an all-In interest rate of 7% per annum. The Banking subsidiary is the primary obligor to BOI and assumes the credit risk. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bank Of Industry granted concessions to cushion the impact of the pandemic by downward reduction in the rate from 7% to 5% effective on 1 April 2020 to elapse on 31 March 2021, which has been extended to elspe on 31 March 2022 and subsequently reverse to status quo. Also, granted a further moratorium of three-month for principal deferment.

(b) Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme (CACS)

The fund received under the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) Commercial Agriculture Credit Scheme represents a credit line granted to the Banking subsidiary for the purpose of providing concessionary funding to the agricultural sector. The facility has a tenor of 16 years with effect from 2009 and will expire in September 2025. The facility attracts an interest rate of 2% per annum and the Banking subsidiary is under obligation to on-lend to the Banking subsidiary's qualified customers at an all-in interest rate of not more than 9% per annum. Based on the structure of the facility, the Banking subsidiary assumes the credit risk of all amounts lent to the Banking subsidiary's customers. This facility is not secured. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Central Bank Of Nigeria granted concessions to cushion the impact of the pandemic by downward reduction in the rate from 9% to 5% effective on 1 March 2020 to elapse on 28 February 2021, which has been extended to elspe on 28 February 2022 and subsequently reverse to status quo. Also, granted a further moratorium of one year on all principal repayments.

(c) Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF)

The Central Bank of Nigeria, as part of the efforts to unlock the potential of the real sector to engender output growth, productivity and job creation has established a N300 billion Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF). The facility is disbursed to large enterprises and startups with financing needs of N500 million up to a maximum of N10.0 billion. The

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activities targeted by the Facility are manufacturing, agricultural value chain and selected service sub-sectors. The funds are received from the CBN at 3%, and disbursed at 9% to the beneficiary. The facility is secured by Nigerian Government Securities. The value of Government securities pledged as collateral is nil for 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: N20.32billion). In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Central Bank Of Nigeria granted concessions to cushion the impact of the pandemic by downward reduction in the rate from 9% to 5% effective on 1 March 2020 to elapse on 28 February 2021, which has been extended to elspe on 28 February 2022 and subsequently reverse to status quo. Also, granted a further moratorium of one year on all principal repayments.

(d) Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF) Differentiated Cash Reserve Requirement Scheme (DCRR)

The amount represents the outstanding balance on the on-lending facility granted to the Banking subsidiary by Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) in respect of the Real Sector Support Facility (RSSF) Differentiated Cash Reserve Requirement scheme (DCRR) established by CBN supporting the Real Sector (agriculture and manufacturing). The facility is for a minimum period of 7 years inclusive of 24 months moratorium at all-in 9% interest rate on a quarterly basis.

(e) Power & Aviation intervention Fund

The purpose of granting new loans and refinancing / restructuring existing loans to companies in the power and aviation industries is to support Federal Government's focus on the sectors. The facility is secured by Irrevocable Standing Payment Order (ISPO). The maximum tenor for term loans under the programme is 15 years while the tenor for working capital is one year, with option to renew the facility annually subject to a maximum tenor of five years. The facility attracts an interest rate of 1% per annum payable quarterly in arrears and the Banking subsidiary is under obligation to on-lend to customers at an all-in interest rate of 7% per annum. This facility is not secured. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Central Bank Of Nigeria granted concessions to cushion the impact of the pandemic by downward reduction in the rate from 9% to 5% effective on 1 March 2020 to elapse on 28 February 2021, which has been extended to elspe on 28 February 2022 and subsequently reverse to status quo. Also, granted a further moratorium of one year on all principal repayments.

(f) "Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Development Fund (MSMEDF)"

The Micro Small & Medium Scale Enterprises Development Fund (MSMEDF) is an intervention fund received from Central Bank of Nigeria, established to support the channeling of low interest funds to the Micro Small & Medium Scale Enterprises sub-sector of the Nigerian economy. The facility attracts an interest rate of 2% per annum and the Banking subsidiary is obligated to on-lend to SMEs at 9% per annum. The maximum tenor is 5 years while the tenor for working capital is 1 year. This facility is not secured. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Central Bank Of Nigeria granted concessions to cushion the impact of the pandemic by downward reduction in the rate from 9% to 5% effective on 1 March 2020 to elapse on 28 February 2021, which has been extended to elspe on 28 February 2022 and subsequently reverse to status quo. Also, granted a further moratorium of one year on all principal repayments.

(g) Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN)

The Development Bank of Nigeria (DBN) is a line of credit granted to the Banking subsidiary for the purpose of providing on lending concessionary loans to MSMEs, including agricultural sector, manufacturing sector and gender loans. The facility has a maximum tenor of 10 years for term loans and a maximum tenor of 3 years for working capital requirements. The facility attracts an interest rate of between 9.76% - 11.76% per annum for loan tenors up to 3 year and above and the Banking subsidiary is under obligation to on-lend to customers at an all-in interest spread of 6% per annum. This facility is secured by government securities valued N9.87billion (31 December 2021: N9.87billion). In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the fund provider, Development Bank of Nigeria granted concessions to cushion the impact of the pandemic by granting a three-month moratorium on principal and interest repayments and also a three-month tenor extension on all outstanding facilities to accomodate the moratorium, which is in place on the facility.

(h) Nigerian Export - Import Bank (NEXIM)

The Nigerian Export - Import Bank (NEXIM) is a line of credit granted to the Banking subsidiary for the purpose of providing on lending concessionary trade finance loans to export-oriented enterprises in agricultural sector. The facility has a maximum tenor of 2 years for term loans and a maximum tenor of 1 year for working capital requirements. The facility attracts an interest rate of 6.0% per annum for loan tenors up to 2 year and above and the Banking subsidiary is under obligation to on-lend to customers at an all-in interest spread of 9% per annum.

(i) The onlending facilities granted at below the market rate were measured at fair value on initial recognition and subsequently at amortised cost. The fair value gain on initial recognition was recognised in the profit or loss.

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(j) Movement in on-lending facilities during the year was as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	31 DEC 2022	**31 DEC 2021**	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**
At 1 January	157,873,774	60,366,840	-	-
Additions during the year	139,192,990	134,292,995	-	-
Repayments during the year	(47,875,113)	(36,786,061)	-	-
Balance at the end	**249,191,651**	**157,873,774**	**-**	**-**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**	**31 DEC 20221**	**31 DEC 2021**

40 Debt securities issued

Debt securities at amortised cost:				
Bond issued (see note (a) below)	5,105,927	5,059,795	-	-
Note issued (see note (b) below)	21,510,315	19,784,732	-	-
Note issued (see note (c) below)	23,704,652	21,529,975	-	-
Note issued (see note (d) below)	29,998,387	29,998,440	-	-
Note issued (see note (e) below)	4,426,560	2,120,550	-	-
	84,745,841	**78,493,492**	**-**	**-**
Current	13,117,329	-	-	-
Non-current	71,628,512	78,493,492	-	-
	84,745,841	**78,493,492**	**-**	**-**

(a) The amount of N5.06billion (31 December 2020: N31.36billion) represents the amortised cost of unsecured corporate bonds issued in tranches at par respectively, see the table below, while the coupon is paid semi-annually. The amount represents the first and third tranches of a N100 billion debt issuance programme. The Group has not had any defaults of principal or interest or other breaches with respect to its debt securities as at period ended 31 December 2021:

Tranche	Face value N'000	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2022 N'000	Carrying amount 31 Dec 2021 N'000	Coupon rate	Issued date	Maturity date
Tranche 3 - N5.104billion, 7 years	5,104,000	5,0105,927	5,059,795	17.25%	09-Dec-2016	08-Dec-2023
Total	**5,104,000**	**5,0105,927**	**5,059,795**			

The Group has not had any defaults of principal or interest or other breaches with respect to its debt securities as at the year ended 31 December 2022.

(b) The amount of N21.51billion (31 December 2021: N19.78billion) represents the amortised cost of $46.65million, 5years and 6months 9.5% Fixed Rate Unsecured Note Due 2025 issued at par on 31 December 2019. The Principal amount is repayable on 30 June 2025 while the coupon is paid semi-annually.

(c) The amount of N23.70billion (31 December 2021: N21.53billion) represents the amortised cost of $50million, 5years 8.53% Fluctuating Rate Unsecured Note Due 2030 issued on 3 September 2020. The Principal amount is repayable on 20 quarterly instalmental effective from 20 September 2025 to 20 June 2030 while the coupon is paid quarterly.

(d) The amount of N30.00billion (31 December 2021: N30.00billion) represents the amortised cost of N30.00billion, 7year 6.1% Fixed Rate Unsecured Note Due 2030 issued on 30 November 2020. The Principal amount is repayable in November 2030 while the coupon is paid semi-annually.

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(e) The amount of N4.43billion, ($9.6million) (31 December 2021: N2.12billion; $5million) represents the amortised cost of N4.20billion, ($9.6million), 10years 6.0% Fixed Rate Unsecured Note Due 2030 issued on 31 December 2020. The Principal amount is repayable in December 2030 while the coupon is paid semi-annually. This includes an additional $4.6million was recieved during the year ended 31 December 2022 at the Group.

(f) Movement in Debt securities issued during the year was as follows:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
At 1 January	78,493,492	101,531,205	-	-
Accrued coupon interest for the year	858,688	116,221	-	-
Additions during the year	2,121,060	848,220	-	-
Repayments during the year	-	(26,000,000)	-	-
Coupon interest paid during the year	(789,022)	(574,910)	-	-
Effects of movement in exchange rates	4,061,623	2,572,756	-	-
Balance at the end	**84,745,841**	**78,493,492**	**-**	**-**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
41 Borrowings				
(a) **Borrowings comprise:**				
European Investment Bank (EIB) (See note (b)(i) below)	-	2,320,868	-	-
Oikocredit Cooperative Society, Netherlands (See note (b)(ii) below)	3,727,422	4,253,459	-	-
Societe De Promotion et De Participation Pour La Cooperation Economique SA. (Proparco) (See note (b)(iii) below)	16,170,632	14,777,885	-	-
African Export-Import Bank (Afrexim) (See note (b)(iv) below)	27,665,668	42,087,384	-	-
African Development Bank (AfDB) (See note (b)(v) below)	15,334,837	-	-	-
FCMB Asset Management (See note (b)(vi) below)	25,466,409	17,264,470	856,858	-
	88,364,968	**80,704,066**	**856,858**	**-**
Current	35,610,609	2,320,868	856,858	-
Non-current	52,754,359	61,118,728	-	-
	88,364,968	**63,439,596**	**856,858**	**-**

(b) (i) This represents a facility that has been repaid as at 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: N2,320,868,000 (USD5,479,583.35) granted by European Investment Bank (EIB).

ii) The amount of N3,727,422,000 (31 December 2021: N4,252,459,000) represents an unsecured facility of $10million granted by Oikocredit Cooperative Society, Netherlands repayable over a tenor of 5 years maturing 20 April 2026 with an interest rate of 3 months USD LIBOR + 5.17%.

iii) The amount of N16,170,632,000 (31 December 2021: NN14,777,885,000) represents an unsecured facility of $35million granted by Societe De Promotion et De Participation Pour La Cooperation Economique SA. (Proparco) repayable after a tenor of 5 years maturing 26 November 2026 with an interest rate of 3 months USD LIBOR + 5.65%.

iv) The amount of N27,665,668,000 (31 December 2021: N42,087,384,000) represents an unsecured facility of $100million granted by African Export-Import Bank (Afrexim) repayable over a tenor of 3 years maturing 30 June 2024 with an interest rate of 3 months USD LIBOR + 5.65%.

v) The amount of N15,334,837,000, $33million (31 December 2021: Nil) represents an unsecured facility granted by African Development Bank (AfDB) repayable after a tenor of 7 years maturing 1 August 2029 with an interest rate of 6 months USD LIBOR + 4.75%.

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vi) The amount of N25,466,409,000 (31 December 2021: N17,264,470,000) represents promissory notes issued to various parties, by the company and Credit Direct Limited (CDL)largely through First City Asset Management Limited.

The borrowings comprise of several individual amounts ranging from N27million to N3billion, with interest rates ranging from 7.78% to 17.22% and tenor ranging from 3 to 12 months.

The Group has not defaulted in the payment of principal or interest neither has the Group been in breach of any covenant relating to the liabilities during the year (31 December, 2021: nil).

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(c) Movement in borrowings account during the year was as follows:				
At 1 January	80,704,066	159,718,037	-	-
Additions during the year	29,436,917	64,040,385	850,000	-
Repayments during the year	(23,160,725)	(142,634,377)	-	-
Accrued interest for the year	8,822,711	11,033,368	6,858	-
Interest paid during the year	(8,549,889)	(11,583,651)	-	-
Effects of movement in exchange rates	1,111,888	130,304	-	-
Balance at the end	**88,364,968**	**80,704,066**	**856,858**	**-**

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021

42 Share capital

(b) **Issued and fully paid**				
19.8billion ordinary shares of 50k each (31 December 2020: 19.8billion)	**9,901,355**	9,901,355	**9,901,355**	9,901,355

43 Share premium and reserves

The nature and purpose of the reserves in equity are as follows:

(a) **Share premium:** is the excess paid by shareholders over the nominal value for their shares. Premiums from the issue of shares are reported in share premium.

(b) **Retained earnings:** Retained earnings comprise the undistributed profits from previous years, which have not been reclassified to the other reserves.

(c) **Other reserves:** comprises of these reserves:

(i) **Statutory reserve:** Nigerian banking regulations require the Banking subsidiary to make an annual appropriation to a statutory reserve. As stipulated by S.16(1) of the Banks and Other Financial Institution Act of 1991 (amended), an appropriation of 30% of profit after tax is made if the statutory reserve is less than paid-up share capital and 15% of profit after tax if the statutory reserve is greater than the paid up share capital. The Banking subsidiary transferred 15% of its 'profit after tax to statutory reserves as at year end (31 December 2021: 15%).

(ii) **AGSMEIS reserve:** The AGSMEIS reserve is maintained to comply with the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) requirement that all licensed banks set aside a portion of the profit after tax in a fund to be used to finance equity investment in qualifying small and medium scale enterprises. Under the terms of the guideline (amended by CBN letter dated 11 July 2006), the contributions will be 10% of profit after tax and shall continue after the first 5 years but Banks' contributions shall thereafter reduce to 5% of profit after tax. The small and medium scale industries equity investment scheme reserves are non-distributable. In the CBN Circular dated 5 April 2017, all DMBs are required to set aside and remit 5% of the annual profit after tax for equity investments.

(iii) Fair Value Reserve: The fair value reserves comprise:

- the cumulative net change in the fair value of equity securities designated at fair value through other comprehensive income and
- the cumulative net change in fair value of debt securities at fair value through other comprehensive income until the assets are derecognised or reclassified. The amount is reduced by the amount of loss allowance.

(iv) Regulatory risk reserve: The regulatory risk reserve warehouses the difference between the impairment of loans and advances under the Nigerian GAAP and Central Bank of Nigeria prudential guidelines and the expected loss model used in calculating the impairment balance under IFRS.

(v) Foreign currency translation reserve (FCTR): Records exchange movements on the Group's net investment in foreign subsidiaries.

(vi) Forbearance reserve: this is a non-distributable reserve which arose from forbearance granted by Central Bank of Nigeria being an additional appropriation of 15% of profit after tax to account for potential future provisions valid until 31 December 2020.

44 Non-controlling Interest (NCI)

Disclosure of NCI in the Group's subsidiary

'The following table summarises the information relating to the Group's subsidiaries, FCMB Pensions Limited and CSL Capital (UK) Limited.

	CSL CAPITAL (UK) LIMITED		FCMB PENSIONS LIMITED		GROUP	
	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2021	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2021
NCI Percentage	**25.00%**	**25.00%**	**8.72%**	**7.30%**		
Total Assets	1,530,528	1,368,830	18,879,392	12,238,734	20,409,920	13,607,564
Total Liabilities	222,368	319,582	8,607,185	7,872,337	8,829,553	8,191,918
Net Assets	1,308,160	1,049,248	10,272,207	4,366,397	11,580,367	5,415,645
Estimated NCI share of Net Assets	327,040	262,312	895,736	318,747	1,222,776	581,059
Adjustment to NCI	-	-	(244,354)	-	(244,354)	-
Net assets attributable to NCI	**327,040**	**262,312**	**651,382**	**318,747**	**978,422**	**581,059**
Movement in NCI						
Balance at 1 January	**262,312**	**127,876**	**318,747**	**251,679**	**581,059**	**379,555**
On Acqusition of AIICO pensions	-	-	208,472	-	208,472	-
Dividend paid/declared	-	-	(34,880)	(14,400)	(34,880)	(14,400)
Adjustment in NCI	-	-	-	2,604	-	2,604
Share of profit post acquisition	68,124	127,656	159,821	80,490	227,944	208,146
Share of other comprehensive income	(3,396)	6,780	(778)	(1,626)	(4,174)	5,154
Total NCI at 31 December	**327,040**	**262,312**	**651,382**	**318,747**	**978,422**	**581,059**

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45 Contingencies

(a) **Legal Proceedings**

The Group in its ordinary course of business is presently involved in 566 cases as a defendant (31 December 2021: 479) and 26 cases as a plaintiff (31 December 2021: 23). The total amount claimed in the 566 cases against the Group is estimated at N27.29billlion (31 December 2021: N26.37billion) while the total amount claimed in the 26 cases instituted by the Banking subsidiary is N12.60billion (31 December 2021: N14.72billion). The Directors of the Banking subsidiary are of the opinion that none of the aforementioned cases is likely to have material adverse effect on the Group and are not aware of any other pending and or threatened claims or litigation which may be material to the financial statements. Based on the realistic reserves as recommended by solicitors in charge of these ongoing litigations, a provision has been made for the year ended 31 December 2022 of N5.49billion (31 December 2021: N4.86billion), See note 37(a) for the provisions made in the books for claims.

Other contingent liabilities and commitments

In common with other banks, the Group conducts business involving acceptances and issuance of performance bonds and indemnities. The majority of these facilities are offset by corresponding obligations of third parties. Contingent liabilities and commitments comprise acceptances, guarantees and letters of credit.

Nature of instruments

An acceptance is an undertaking by a bank to pay a bill of exchange drawn on a customer. The Group expects most acceptances to be presented, but reimbursement by the customer is normally immediate. Guarantees and letters of credit are given as security to support the performance of a customer to third parties. As the Group will only be required to meet these obligations in the event of the customer's default, the cash requirements of these instruments are expected to be considerably below their nominal amounts. Other contingent liabilities include transaction related customs and performance bonds and are, generally, short-term commitments to third parties which are not directly dependent on the customer's creditworthiness. Commitments to lend are agreements to lend to a customer in the future, subject to certain conditions. Such commitments are either made for a fixed year, or have no specific maturity dates but are cancellable by the lender subject to notice requirements. Documentary credits commit the Group to make payments to third parties, on production of documents, which are usually reimbursed immediately by customers. The following tables summarise the nominal principal amount of contingent liabilities and commitments with contingent risk.

Acceptances, bonds, guarantees and other obligations for the account of customers:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Performance bonds and guarantees	178,201,810	141,733,924	-	-
Loan commitments	3,869,461	3,869,461	-	-
Clean line letters of credit	128,712,165	135,225,605	-	-
	310,783,436	**280,828,990**	**-**	**-**
Other commitments	11,787	349,643	-	-
	310,795,223	**281,178,633**	**-**	**-**

Clean line letters of credit, which represent irrevocable assurances that the Banking subsidiary will make payments in the event that a customer cannot meet its obligations, carry the same credit risk as loans.

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46 Group subsidiaries and related party transactions

(a) **Parent and Uitimate controlling party**

FCMB Group Plc is the ultimate parent company and its subsidiaries are as listed in note 46(b) below.

(b) **Subsidiaries:**

Transactions between FCMB Group Plc and its subsidiaries which are eliminated on consolidation are not separately disclosed in the consolidated financial statements. The Group's effective interests and investments in subsidiaries as at 31 December 2022 are shown below.

Entity	Form of holding	Effective holding	Nominal share capital held N'000	Country of incorporation	Nature of business
(1) First City Monument Bank Limited	Direct	100.00%	115,422,326	Nigeria	Banking
(2) FCMB Capital Markets Limited	Direct	100.00%	240,000	Nigeria	Capital Market
(3) CSL Stockbrokers Limited (CSLS)	Direct	100.00%	3,053,777	Nigeria	Stockbroking
(4) FCMB Trustees Limited	Direct	100.00%	220,000	Nigeria	Trusteeship
(5) FCMB Microfinance Bank Limited	Direct	100.00%	1,000,000	Nigeria	Micro-lending
(6) FCMB Pensions Limited	Direct	91.28%	11,925,884	Nigeria	Pension Fund Manager
(7) Credit Direct Limited (CDL)	Direct	100.00%	366,210	Nigeria	Micro-lending
(8) FCMB (UK) Limited (FCMB UK)	Indirect	100.00%	7,791,147	United Kingdom	Banking
(9) FCMB Asset Management Limited	Indirect	100.00%	50,000	Nigeria	Asset Management
(10) FCMB Financing SPV Plc.	Indirect	100.00%	250	Nigeria	Capital Raising
(11) CSL Capital (UK) Limited	Indirect	75.00%	35,468	United Kingdom	Financial Advisory

(c) **Significant restrictions**

The Group does not have significant restrictions on its ability to access or use its assets and settle its liabilities other than those resulting from the supervisory frameworks within which its banking subsidiaries operate. The carrying amounts of banking subsidiaries' assets and liabilities are N2978.08billion andN2712.97billion respectively (31 December 2021: N169.79billion and N150.61billion respectively).

The Group does not have any subsidiary that has material non-controlling interest.

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(d) **Condensed Financial Information**

(i) The condensed financial data of the consolidated entities as at 31 December 2022 were as follows:

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In thousands of Naira	FCMB GROUP PLC	FCMB LIMITED GROUP	FCMB CM LIMITED	CSL STOCK -BROKERS LIMITED GROUP	FCMB TRUSTEES LIMITED	FCMB MFB LIMITED	FCMB PENSIONS LIMITED	CREDIT DIRECT LIMITED	TOTAL	CONSOLI-DATION JOURNAL ENTRIES	GROUP
Interest and discount income	566,314	205,263,935	134,331	378,280	48,899	10,294	433,470	13,431,608	220,267,131	(715,539	219,551,592
Interest expense	(6,858)	(95,310,236)	-	(4,948)	-	(224)	-	(2,947,443)	(98,269,709)	715,539	(97,554,170)
Net interest income	**559,456**	**109,953,699**	**134,331**	**373,332**	**48,899**	**10,070**	**433,470**	**10,484,165**	**121,997,422**	**-**	**121,997,422**
Other income	8,398,334	41,672,142	936,108	3,459,457	137,212	16,343	5,841,151	926,783	61,387,530	(7,982,122)	53,405,408
Operating income	**8,957,790**	**151,625,841**	**1,070,439**	**3,832,789**	**186,111**	**26,413**	**6,274,621**	**11,410,948**	**183,384,952**	**(7,982,122)**	**175,402,830**
Operating expenses	(1,641,735)	(100,822,353)	(497,073)	(2,122,993)	(113,535)	(21,634)	(3,568,067)	(6,316,004)	(115,103,394)	1,236,935	(113,866,459)
Impairment losses on financial instruments	(27,669)	(23,862,478)	19,368	(12,659)	8,804	-	(2,638)	(1,089,036)	(24,966,308)	-	(24,966,308)
Profit before tax	**7,288,386**	**26,941,010**	**592,734**	**1,697,137**	**81,380**	**4,779**	**2,703,916**	**4,005,908**	**43,315,250**	**(6,745,187)**	**36,570,063**
Income tax expense	(24,198)	(2,383,992)	(195,603)	(504,406)	(30,616)	712	(834,386)	(1,468,883)	(5,441,372)	-	(5,441,372)
Profit after tax	**7,264,188**	**24,557,018**	**397,131**	**1,192,731**	**50,764**	**5,491**	**1,869,530**	**2,537,025**	**37,873,878**	**(6,745,187)**	**31,128,691**
Other comprehensive income	-	4,714,503	-	41,260	-	-	(8,920)	-	4,746,843	(14,688)	4,732,155
Total comprehensive income for the period	**7,264,188**	**29,271,521**	**397,131**	**1,233,991**	**50,764**	**5,491**	**1,860,610**	**2,537,025**	**42,620,721**	**(6,759,875)**	**35,860,846**

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Assets											
Cash and cash equivalents	30,607	234,831,137	1,132,892	4,399,626	1,342,265	1,105,805	2,907,595	6,558,023	252,307,950	(4,822,327)	247,485,623
Restricted reserve deposits	-	493,359,709	-	-	-	-	-	-	493,359,709	-	493,359,709
Non-pledged trading assets	-	159,228,440	-	1,502,335	-	-	-	-	160,730,775	-	160,730,775
Derivative assets held for risk management	-	853,709	-	-	-	-	-	-	853,709	-	853,709
Loans and advances to customers	-	1,166,621,912	69,497	344,212	1,422	-	130,744	28,458,799	1,195,626,586	-	1,195,626,586
Assets pledged as collateral	-	79,009,207	-	-	-	-	-	-	79,009,207	-	79,009,207
Investment securities	8,023,508	514,756,502	924,723	986,263	197,519	9,000	3,369,434	-	528,266,949	(3,693,924)	524,573,025
Investment in subsidiaries	132,228,197	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132,228,197	(132,228,197)	-
Property and equipment, and right of use assets	30,165	46,215,483	63,295	458,311	8,855	4,341	2,049,871	2,137,201	50,967,522	-	50,967,522
Intangible assets	12,094	14,176,214	-	54,618	715	-	9,625,465	423,373	24,292,479	5,345,114	29,637,593
Deferred tax assets	-	8,422,285	-	-	-	1,446	-	-	8,423,731	-	8,423,731
Other assets	6,353,476	189,925,161	152,286	635,277	105,553	-	796,283	724,427	198,692,463	(6,307,386)	192,385,077
	146,678,047	**2,907,399,759**	**2,342,693**	**8,380,642**	**1,656,329**	**1,120,592**	**18,879,392**	**38,301,823**	**3,124,759,277**	**(141,706,720)**	**2,983,052,557**
Financed by:											
Trading liabilities	-	1,883,937	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,883,937	-	1,883,937
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	-	1,699,900	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,699,900	-	1,699,900
Deposits from banks	-	124,365,459	-	-	-	-	-	-	124,365,459	-	124,365,459
Deposits from customers	-	1,949,716,934	-	-	-	13,964	-	-	1,949,730,898	(4,822,329)	1,944,908,569
Borrowings	856,858	62,898,559	-	-	-	-	-	24,609,551	88,364,968	-	88,364,968
On-lending facilities	-	249,191,651	-	-	-	-	-	-	249,191,651	-	249,191,651
Debt securities issued	-	88,439,764	-	-	-	-	-	-	88,439,764	(3,693,923)	84,745,841
Retirement benefit obligations	-	4,694	-	-	-	-	-	18,690	23,384	-	23,384
Current income tax liabilities	72,584	3,985,024	188,601	502,685	29,991	3,614	916,821	1,480,966	7,180,286	-	7,180,286
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-	-	67,075	2,590	-	131,227	191,005	391,897		391,897
Provision	-	7,514,884	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,514,884	-	7,514,884
Other liabilities	8,102,130	180,122,259	354,036	2,820,051	1,135,375	16,124	7,559,137	3,100,448	203,209,560	(6,307,389)	196,902,171
Share capital	9,901,355	5,000,000	500,000	943,577	50,000	1,000,000	988,677	500,000	18,883,609	(8,982,254)	9,901,355
Share premium	115,392,414	97,846,690	-	1,057,250	170,000	-	4,569,949	-	219,036,303	(103,643,889)	115,392,414
Retained earnings	12,352,706	74,650,213	1,300,056	2,833,657	268,373	41,208	3,714,379	5,864,778	101,025,370	(26,463,880)	74,561,490
Other reserves	-	60,079,791	-	156,347	-	45,682	999,202	2,536,385	63,817,407	11,228,522	75,045,929
Non-controlling Interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	978,422	978,422
	146,678,047	**2,907,399,759**	**2,342,693**	**8,380,642**	**1,656,329**	**1,120,592**	**18,879,392**	**38,301,823**	**3,124,759,277**	**(141,706,720)**	**2,983,052,557**
Acceptances and guarantees	**-**	**310,795,223**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**310,795,223**	**-**	**310,795,223**

(d) **Condensed Financial Information**

(ii) The condensed financial data of the consolidated entities as at 31 December 2021 were as follows:

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In thousands of Naira	FCMB GROUP PLC	FCMB LIMITED GROUP	FCMB CM LIMITED	CSL STOCK -BROKERS LIMITED GROUP	FCMB TRUSTEES LIMITED	FCMB MFB LIMITED	FCMB PENSIONS LIMITED	CREDIT DIRECT LIMITED	TOTAL	CONSOLI-DATION JOURNAL ENTRIES	GROUP
Interest and discount income	433,307	149,880,890	38,610	194,583	68,341	26,836	165,509	11,729,712.00	162,537,788	(496,184)	162,041,604
Interest expense	-	(69,621,398)	-	-	(18,915)	(1,230)	-	(1,982,407)	(71,623,950)	496,184	(71,127,766)
Net interest income	**433,307**	**80,259,492**	**38,610**	**194,583**	**49,426**	**25,606**	**165,509**	**9,747,305**	**90,913,838**	**-**	**90,913,838**
Other income	6,027,510	33,903,928	669,027	3,834,418	114,437	5,571	3,638,374	686,889	48,880,154	(5,749,522)	43,130,632
Operating income	**6,460,817**	**114,163,420**	**707,637**	**4,029,001**	**163,863**	**31,177**	**3,803,883**	**10,434,194**	**139,793,992**	**(5,749,522)**	**134,044,470**
Operating expenses	(1,335,119)	(84,612,207)	(412,372)	(2,324,474)	(100,726)	(18,010)	(2,304,093)	(5,924,384)	(97,031,385)	846,403	(96,184,982)
Impairment losses on financial instruments	(17,387)	(13,869,666)	(9,131)	(11,063)	(8,508)	(2,074)	-	(1,320,378)	(15,238,207)	-	(15,238,207)
Results from operating activities	**5,108,311**	**15,681,547**	**286,134**	**1,693,464**	**54,629**	**11,093**	**1,499,790**	**3,189,432**	**27,524,400**	**(4,903,119)**	**22,621,281**
Share of post tax result of associate	-	-	-	-	-	-	95,378	-	95,378	-	95,378
Profit before tax	**5,108,311**	**15,681,547**	**286,134**	**1,693,464**	**54,629**	**11,093**	**1,595,168**	**3,189,432**	**27,619,778**	**(4,903,119)**	**22,716,659**
Income tax expense	(19,613)	494,806	(107,085)	(480,625)	(8,610)	(19,859)	(477,248)	(1,181,700)	(1,799,934)	-	(1,799,934)
Profit after tax	**5,088,698**	**16,176,353**	**179,049**	**1,212,839**	**46,019**	**(8,766)**	**1,117,920**	**2,007,732**	**25,819,844**	**(4,903,119)**	**20,916,725**
Other comprehensive income	(2,817)	(1,283,088)	-	59,476	-	-	(22,579)	-	(1,249,008)	-	(1,249,008)
Total comprehensive income for the year	**5,085,881**	**14,893,265**	**179,049**	**1,272,315**	**46,019**	**(8,766)**	**1,095,341**	**2,007,732**	**24,570,836**	**(4,903,119)**	**19,667,717**

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Assets											
Cash and cash equivalents	621,755	355,305,833	337,319	4,535,194	890,824	241,592	1,254,200	2,839,216	366,025,933	(3,325,850)	362,700,083
Restricted reserve deposits	-	329,739,147	-	-	-	-	-	-	329,739,147	-	329,739,147
Non-pledged Trading assets	-	41,538,274	-	-	-	-	-	-	41,538,274	-	41,538,274
Loans and advances to customers	-	1,039,831,017	75,399	262,922	1,492	3,490	24,151	23,390,721	1,063,589,192	-	1,063,589,192
Assets pledged as collateral	-	115,456,683	-	-	-	-	-	-	115,456,683	-	115,456,683
Investment securities	6,007,162	364,709,639	1,336,283	2,289,665	180,300	9,000	1,458,749	-	375,990,798	(3,442,465)	372,548,333
Investment in subsidiaries	127,378,197	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	127,378,197	(127,378,197)	-
Investment in associates	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,810,651	-	6,810,651	-	6,810,651
Property and equipment, and right of use assets	42,815	42,357,813	33,041	385,853	16,721	9,409	1,752,237	2,486,662	47,084,551	-	47,084,551
Intangible assets	-	11,484,299	-	40,798	1,846	-	35,053	248,860	11,810,856	5,345,114	17,155,970
Deferred tax assets	-	9,163,896	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,163,896	-	9,163,896
Other assets	7,849,591	125,385,937	209,113	669,171	76,386	-	903,693	457,921	135,551,812	(8,140,962)	127,410,850
	141,899,520	**2,434,972,538**	**1,991,155**	**8,183,603**	**1,167,569**	**263,491**	**12,238,734**	**29,423,380**	**2,630,139,990**	**(136,942,360)**	**2,493,197,630**
Financed by:											
Trading liabilities	-	5,174,902	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,174,902	-	5,174,902
Deposits from banks	-	160,746,916	-	-	-	-	-	-	160,746,916	-	160,746,916
Deposits from customers	-	1,557,725,370	-	-	-	14,100	-	-	1,557,739,470	(3,325,847)	1,554,413,623
Borrowings	-	63,439,596	-	-	-	-	-	17,264,470	80,704,066	-	80,704,066
On-lending facilities	-	157,873,774	-	-	-	-	-	-	157,873,774	-	157,873,774
Debt securities issued	-	81,891,084	-	-	-	-	-	-	81,891,084	(3,397,592)	78,493,492
Retirement benefit obligations	-	7,764	-	-	-	-	-	7,091	14,855	-	14,855
Current income tax liabilities	50,926	2,814,402	121,287	419,773	9,633	6,642	848,309	1,178,093	5,449,065	-	5,449,065
Deferred tax liabilities	-	-	10,146	44,841	163	4,817	109,004	139,758	308,729	-	308,729
Provision	-	6,747,270	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,747,270	-	6,747,270
Other liabilities	7,505,765	188,246,287	306,800	3,111,105	683,351	9,125	6,854,378	2,702,212	209,419,023	(9,953,799)	199,465,224
Share capital	9,901,355	5,000,000	500,000	943,577	50,000	150,000	800,000	500,000	17,844,932	(7,943,577)	9,901,355
Share premium	115,392,414	97,846,691	-	1,057,250.00	170,000.00	-	404,142	-	214,870,497	(99,478,083)	115,392,414
Retained earnings / (accumulated deficit)	9,049,060	39,203,211	1,052,922	2,206,173	254,422	9,085	2,386,001	5,146,122	59,306,997	3,565,105	62,872,102
Other reserves	-	68,255,271	-	400,884	-	69,722	836,900	2,485,633.63	72,048,411	(16,989,627)	55,058,784
Non-controlling Interests	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	581,059	581,059
	141,899,520	**2,434,972,538**	**1,991,155**	**8,183,603**	**1,167,569**	**263,491**	**12,238,734**	**29,423,380**	**2,630,139,990**	**(136,942,360)**	**2,493,197,630**
Acceptances and guarantees	**-**	**-**	**281,178,633**	**-**		**-**	**-**	**-**	**281,178,633**	**-**	**281,178,633**

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(e) **Transactions with key management personnel**

Key management personnel compensation for the year comprises;

In thousands of Naira	GROUP 31 DEC 2022	GROUP 31 DEC 2021	COMPANY 31 DEC 2022	COMPANY 31 DEC 2021
Key management personnel compensation for the year comprised;				
Short-term employee benefits	621,138	707,143	355,703	511,985
Contributions to defined contribution plans	15,492	6,651	6,246	6,651
	636,630	**713,794**	**361,949**	**518,636**
Loans and advances				
At 1 January	2,204,765	4,250,874	-	-
Granted during the year	121,329	1,006,985	-	-
Repayment during the year	(402,724)	(3,053,094)	-	-
Balance at the end	**1,923,370**	**2,204,765**	**-**	**-**
Interest earned	**10,029**	**14,042**	**-**	**-**

In addition to their salaries, the Group also provides non-cash benefits to directors and executive officers, and contributes to a post-employment defined contribution plan on their behalf. Loans to key management personnel include mortgage loans and other personal loans which are given under terms that are no more favorable than those given to other staff. Mortgage loans amounting to N269.17million (31 December 2021: N278.13million) are secured by the underlying assets. All personal loans are unsecured. The mortgage and secured loans granted are secured over property of the respective borrowers. Other balances are not secured and no guarantees have been obtained.

As at 31 December 2022, the balances with key management personnel are allocated to stage 1 of the ECL model and have a loss allowance of N19.07million (31 December 2021:N19.07million).

(f) **Loans and advances outstanding:**

Included in loans and advances is an amount of N759.66million (31 December 2021:N1.15billion) representing credit facilities to companies in which certain Directors have interests and key management personnel. The balances as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 were as follows:

In thousands of Naira

Name of company / Individual	Relationship	Name of Directors related to the companies	Facility type	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	Status	Security Status
Dynamic Industries Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Alhaji Mustapha Damcida	Term loan	-	415,964	Performing	Perfected
Primrose Property Investment Ltd.	Directors-Shareholders	Otunba M. O Balogun	Term loan	150,000	114,435	Performing	Perfected
Crestmont Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Prof. Oluwatoyin Ashiru	Overdraft	90,500	95,811	Performing	Perfected
Balogun Babajide Oludolapo	Directors-Shareholders	Balogun Babajide Oludolapo	Term loan	250,000	136,726	Performing	Perfected
Outstanding loans of key management personnel	Directors / Principal officers	-	Term loan	269,173	390,223	Performing	Perfected
				759,673	**1,153,169**		

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Other receivables:

Name of company/Individual	Relationship	Type	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
First City Monument Bank limited	Subsidiary	Dividend	2,000,000	2,000,000
CSL Stockbrokers Limited	Subsidiary	Dividend	480,457	-
Credit Direct Limited	Subsidiary	Dividend	1,767,685	-
CSL Stockbrokers Limited	Subsidiary	Receivable	10,581	12,171
FCMB Capital Market Limited	Subsidiary	Receivable	5,728	29,752
FCMB Micro Finance Bank Limited	Subsidiary	Receivable	160	179
FCMB Trustees Ltd	Subsidiary	Receivable	912	1,219
First City Monument Bank limited	Subsidiary	Receivable	234,093	67,423
Credit Direct Limited	Subsidiary	Receivable	28,603	21,278
FCMB Pensions Limited	Subsidiary	Receivable	1,724,674	5,710,745
			6,252,893	**7,842,766**

(g) **Deposits outstanding**

Included in deposit is an amount of N16.53billion (31 December 2021: N15.44billion) representing deposits from companies in which certain Directors have interests. The balances as at 31 December 2022 and 31 December 2021 were as follows:

Name of company/Individual	Relationship	Type of deposit	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
ATSC International Limited	Shareholder	Current Account	2,352	1,595
Bluechip Holding Limited	Shareholder	Current Account	10	118
Chapel Hill Advisory Partners	Shareholder	Current Account	1,269	1,267
Credit Direct Limited	Related Company	Current Account	59,245	19,138
CSL Stockbrokers Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	525,863	1,390,279
CSL Stockbrokers Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	2,100,000	-
CSL Trustees Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	203,131	26,233
CSL Trustees Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	84,088	120,000
Dynamic Industries Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	26,598	40,779
Dynamic Industries Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	21,699	38,739
FCMB Capital Markets Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	290,925	337,128
FCMB Capital Markets Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	300,000	
FCMB Group Plc	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	214,529	621,755
FCMB UK Limited	Subsidiary	Current Account	539	541
FCMB Financing SPV Plc	Subsidiary	Current Account	10,950	10,950
First City Asset Management Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	222,408	1,065,800
First City Asset Management Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	468,940	2,783,532
Gulvaris Capital Partners Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	18,405	10,825
Helios Investment Partners	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	702	685
Lafarge Cement Wapco Nig Plc	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	4,702	291,902
Lana Securities Limited	Shareholder	Current Account	309	308
Poly Products Nigeria Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	46	46
Primrose Development Company Limited	Shareholder	Current Account	7,660	967,577
Primrose Properties Investment Limited	Shareholder	Current Account	1,284,394	1,313,093
Primrose Properties Investment Limited	Shareholder	Time Deposit	52,521	16,971
S&B City Printers Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	157,462	7,436
S&B City Printers Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	248	248
First Concept Properties Ltd	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	27,737	27,298
Tricontinental Oil Services Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	1,191	1,302
Crestmont Limited	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	15	22
FCMB Microfinance	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	994,291	489,521
FCMB Pension Managers	Directors-Shareholders	Current Account	51,030	179,273
FCMB Pension Managers	Directors-Shareholders	Time Deposit	9,396,941	5,675,973
			16,530,200	**15,440,334**

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(h) **Included in Accounts Payable – Others,** is the sum of N5.7billion received from Grovecrest Properties Limited. Grovecrest Properties Limited and FCMB Group Plc have a common significant shareholder.

47 Employees and Directors

Employees

	GROUP		COMPANY	
	31 DEC 2022 Number	31 DEC 2021 Number	31 DEC 2022 Number	31 DEC 2021 Number
(a) The average number of persons employed during the year by category:				
Executive directors	7	17	3	4
Management	551	544	4	4
Non-management	2,784	2,801	11	7
	3,342	**3,362**	**18**	**15**

(b) Compensation for the above persons (excluding executive directors):

In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Wages and salaries	25,299,929	23,263,584	339,902	334,161
Contributions to defined contribution plans	701,195	665,554	9,510	4,137
Non-payroll staff cost	9,598,299	7,326,960	277,427	29,722
	35,599,423	**31,256,098**	**626,839**	**368,020**

(c) The number of employees of the Group, including executive directors, who received emoluments in the following ranges were:

	31 DEC 2022 Number	31 DEC 2021 Number	31 DEC 2022 Number	31 DEC 2021 Number
Less than N1,800,000.00	326	445	-	-
N1,800,001 - N2,500,000	432	511	-	-
N2,500,001 - N3,500,000	825	905	3	-
N3,500,001 - N4,500,000	496	469	-	-
N4,500,001 - N5,500,000	379	380	-	1
N5,500,001 and above	904	900	12	14
	3,362	**3,610**	**15**	**15**

(d) **Diversity in employment**

i) A total of 1,423 women were in the employment of the Group during the year ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: 1,371), which represents 43% of the total workforce (31 December 2021: 41%).

ii) A total of 12 women were in the top management position as at the year ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021:12), which represents 31% of the top management workforce in this position (31 December 2021: 27%). There were four (4) women on the Board of Directors for the year ended 31 December 2022 (31 December 2021: 4)

iii) The analysis by grade is as shown below:

iv) The Group is committed to maintaining a positive work environment and to conducting business in a positive, professional manner and will ensure equal employment opportunity.

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Employees analysis

	31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
	Gender	Number	%	Gender	Number	%
	Male	1,919	57%	Male	1,991	59%
	Female	1,423	43%	Female	1,371	41%
	Total	**3,342**	**100%**	**Total**	**3,362**	**100%**

	31 DEC 2022			31 DEC 2021		
GRADE LEVEL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Assistant General Manager (AGM)	24	8	32	22	8	30
Deputy General Manager (DGM)	17	3	20	16	3	19
General Manager (GM)	2	5	7	5	5	10
Total	**43**	**16**	**59**	**43**	**16**	**59**
Executive Director (ED)	6	1	7	6	2	8
Group Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer (GMD / CEO)	7	1	8	7	1	8
Non - Executive Directors	18	13	31	27	17	44
Total	**31**	**15**	**46**	**40**	**20**	**60**

(e) **Directors**

The remuneration paid to the directors of the Group (excluding pension and certain allowances) was:

	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
Fees	245,500	181,200	91,000	84,500
Sitting allowances	235,150	120,975	55,100	33,250
Executive compensation	621,138	707,143	355,703	511,985
	1,101,788	**1,009,318**	**501,803**	**629,735**
Directors' other expenses	727,964	676,865	81,113	17,723
	1,829,752	**1,686,183**	**582,916**	**647,458**
The Directors' remuneration shown above includes:				
The Chairman	26,000	13,000	26,000	13,000
Highest paid director	179,828	117,631	179,828	117,631

The number of directors who received fees and other emoluments (excluding pension contributions and reimbursable expenses) in the following ranges were:

	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
	Number	Number	Number	Number
N10,000,000 and below	-	-	-	-
N10,000,001 and above	46	60	10	10
	46	**60**	**10**	**10**

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	GROUP		COMPANY	
In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
48 Cash and cash equivalents				
For the purposes of the statement of cash flow, cash and cash equivalents include;				
Cash	27,543,538	65,711,784	-	-
Current balances within Nigeria	612,472	2,982,046	30,607	621,755
Current balances outside Nigeria	165,204,756	199,717,584	-	-
Placements with local banks	13,806,947	3,905,097	-	-
Placements with foreign banks	12,661,743	45,025,298	-	-
Unrestricted balances with Central banks	27,681,424	45,388,016	-	-
	247,510,880	**362,729,825**	**30,607**	**621,755**

49 Compliance With Banking Regulations

During the year ended 31 December 2022, the Banking subsidiary contravened the following section of the provision of the Banks and Other Financial Institutions Act and relevant CBN circulars and was penalised as follows:

Section	Nature	No. of times	Penalties (N'000)
Contravention of Section 47 (1,3) CBN AML & CFT Regulations 2013 (as Amended) and section 50 of BOFIA	Lack of proper (KYC) Due Diligence on our customer Dahiru Sani Muhammed (a beneficiary of Cyber Fraud Incident)	1	2,000
Contravention of CBN Circular BSD/DIR/GEN/LAB/07/011 (dated April 10th, 2014) on the 'Timely Rendition of Statutory Returns.	Late Rendition of Monthly Returns	1	5,000

During the year ended 31 December 2022, other subsidiaries of the Group paid penalties as detailed below:

Subsidiary	Nature	No. of times	Penalties (N'000)
FCMB Pensions Limited	Penalty imposed by PENCOM for unethical conduct and demarketing another PFA	1	63,300

The penalties totaling N70.3million were paid during the year (31 December 2021: N723.31million).

50 Events after the Reporting Period

Subsequent to year end, the following are the updates to some events which the directors of the Group deem to be significant;

i) Subsequent to year end, FCMB Group Plc successfully completed the issuance of a N20,686,000,000 Perpetual 16% Fixed Rate Resettable NC5.25 Additional Tier I Subordinated Bonds under its N300,000,000,000 Debt Issuance Programme. The effective date of the issue is February 16th, 2023. The funds was subsequently down streamed to the Banking subsidiary.

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51 Reconciliation notes to consolidated and separate statement of cashflows

			GROUP		COMPANY	
		Note	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**	**31 DEC 2022**	**31 DEC 2021**
(i)	**Net gain / (loss) on debt securities at Fair value through profit or loss**					
	Gross trading income before fair value adjustments					
	Fair value gain on financial assets adjustments		893,766	3,490,652	-	-
	Net trading income	12	**12,865,574**	**9,367,136**	**-**	**-**
(ii)	**Interest received**					
	Balance at end of the year (interest receivables, overdue interest and loan fees)		88,333,275	68,979,506	-	-
	Accrued Interest income during the year	8	219,551,592	162,041,604	566,314	433,307
	Non cash related adjustments		(3,619,362)	394,944	-	-
	Balance at start of the year (interest receivables, overdue interest and loan fees)		(88,260,441)	(68,944,771)	-	-
	Interest received during the year		**216,005,064**	**162,471,283**	**566,314**	**433,307**
(iii)	**Interest paid**					
	Balance at end of the year (interest payables, interest prepaid and deferred FCY charges)		15,843,686	8,474,925	-	-
	Accrued Interest expense during the year	9	97,554,170	71,127,766	6,858	-
	Amortised cost on financial liabilities adjustments		(602,172)	235,410	(6,858)	-
	Balance at start of the year (interest payables, interest prepaid and deferred FCY charges)		(8,474,925)	(6,025,827)	-	-
			104,320,759	**73,812,274**	**-**	**-**
(iv)	**VAT paid**					
	This relates to monthly remittances to the tax authorities with respect to vatable services		**1,643,872**	**1,260,353**	**90,813**	**50,406**
(v)	**Acquisition of investment securities and proceeds from sale and redemption of investment securities**					
	Balance at start of the year	24	372,548,333	406,665,569	6,007,162	4,359,999
	Non cash related adjustments		(17,679,183)	(20,494,047)	(570,909)	(1,109,247)
	Add: Acquisition of investment securities during the year		266,944,103	149,199,146	2,587,255	2,756,410
	Less: Proceeds from sale and redemption of investment securities		(97,240,228)	(78,626,881)	-	-
	Balance at end of the year	24	**524,573,025**	**456,743,787**	**8,023,508**	**6,007,162**
(vi)	**Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents held**					
	Balance at end of the year on net translated foreign balances at closing exchange rates		226,844,017	334,140,265	1,363,059	7,484,792
	Movement during the year at average exchange rates		(123,949,226)	-	(6,123,095)	-
	Balance at start of the year on net translated foreign balances at opening exchange rates		334,140,265	(319,255,373)	7,484,792	(3,537,710)
			16,652,978	**14,884,892**	**1,362**	**3,947,082**

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			GROUP		COMPANY	
		Note	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(vii)	**Net decrease in other liabilities**					
	At 31 December	37	196,902,171	199,465,224	8,102,130	7,505,765
	Total amounts remitted under retirement benefit obligations	36	(1,281,508)	(1,432,232)	(595,471)	(19,418)
	Non cash related adjustments		13,538,349	7,612,133	452,849	-
	Deposit for Notes		-	(5,700,000)	-	(5,700,000)
	At 1 January	37	(199,465,224)	(111,457,615)	(7,505,765)	(2,442,832)
	Net decrease in other liabilities		**9,693,788**	**88,487,510**	**453,743**	**(656,485)**
(viii)	**Net increase /(decrease) in provision**					
	Opening balance for the year	38	(6,747,270)	(6,325,375)	-	-
	Provisions made during the year	38	1,044,099	1,228,198	-	-
	Effects of movement in exchange rates	38	187,638	115,783	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	38	7,514,884	6,747,270	-	-
	Net increase /(decrease) in provision		**1,999,351**	**1,765,876**	**-**	**-**
(viii)	**Proceeds from sale of property and equipment**					
	Gain on sale of property and equipment	14(a)	(10,620)	514,557	(632)	(266)
	Cost eliminated on disposal during the year	31	4,494,482	182,287	2,957	49,990
	Accumulated depreciation and impairment losses - eliminated on Disposal	31	(4,449,572)	(498,045)	(1,108)	(18,317)
	Proceeds from sale of property and equipment		**34,290**	**198,799**	**1,217**	**31,407**
(ix)	**Net interest income**					
	Interest income	8	219,551,592	162,041,604	566,314	433,307
	Interest expense	9	(97,554,170)	(71,127,766)	(6,858)	-
			121,997,422	**90,913,838**	**559,456**	**433,307**
(x)	**Net increase in restricted reserve deposits**					
	Opening balance for the year	28	329,739,147	311,746,155	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	28	(493,359,709)	(329,739,147)	-	-
			(163,620,562)	**(17,992,992)**	**-**	**-**
(xi)	**Net decrease/(Increase) in derivative assets held or risk management**					
	Opening balance for the year	23(a)	-	1,884,398	-	-
	Fair value gain on financial assets adjustments		-	-	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	23(a)	853,709	-	-	-
			853,709	**1,884,398**	**-**	**-**
(xii)	**Net increase in non-pledged trading assets**					
	Opening balance for the year	22(a)	41,538,274	9,301,789	-	-
	Fair value gain on financial assets adjustments		(893,766)	-	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	22(a)	(160,730,775)	(41,538,274)	-	-
			120,086,267	**(32,236,485)**	**-**	**-**
(xiii)	**Net increase in loans and advances to customers**					
	Opening balance for the year	26	1,113,157,620	869,283,265	-	-
	Non cash related adjustments		(3,225,073)	(333,266)	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	26	(1,246,739,645)	(1,113,157,620)	-	-
			(136,807,098)	**(244,207,621)**	**-**	**-**

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		Note	GROUP		COMPANY	
			31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(xiv)	**Net decrease in assets pledged as collateral**					
	Opening balance for the year	25	115,456,683	189,216,506	-	-
	Non cash related adjustments		(10,303,613)	(8,281,658)	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	25	(79,009,207)	(115,456,683)	-	-
			26,143,863	**65,478,165**	**-**	**-**
(xv)	**Net decrease in other assets**					
	Opening balance for the year	27	127,410,850	25,258,857	7,849,591	2,084,505
	Non cash related adjustments		8,573,591	5,643,335	(1,115,415)	13,206
	Closing balance for the year	27	(192,385,077)	(127,410,850)	(6,353,476)	(7,849,591)
			(56,400,636)	**(96,508,658)**	**380,700**	**(5,751,880)**
(xvi)	**Net increase in trading liabilities**					
	Closing balance for the year	22(b)	1,883,937	5,174,902	-	-
	Fair value gain on financial assets adjustments		-	-	-	-
	Opening balance for the year	22(b)	(5,174,902)	(8,361,951)	-	-
			(3,290,965)	**(3,187,049)**	**-**	**-**
(xvii)	**Net (decrease) / increase in deposits from banks**					
	Closing balance for the year	34	124,365,459	160,746,916	-	-
	Opening balance for the year	34	(160,746,916)	(119,365,158)	-	-
			(36,381,457)	**41,381,758**	**-**	**-**
(xviii)	**Net increase/(decrease) in deposits from customers**					
	Closing balance for the year	35	1,944,908,569	1,554,413,623	-	-
	Opening balance for the year	35	(1,554,413,623)	(1,257,130,907)	-	-
			390,494,946	**297,282,716**	**-**	**-**
(xix)	**Net increase in on-lending facilities**					
	Closing balance for the year	39	249,191,651	157,873,774	-	-
	Amortised cost on financial liabilities adjustments		-	-	-	-
	Opening balance for the year	39	(157,873,774)	(60,366,840)	-	-
			91,317,877	**97,506,934**	**-**	**-**
(xx)	**Net decrease in derivative liabilities held** for risk management					
	Closing balance for the year	23(b)	1,699,900	-	-	-
	Fair value gain on financial liabilities adjustments		-	-	-	-
	Opening balance for the year	23(b)	-	(1,871,869)	-	-
			1,699,900	**(1,871,869)**	**-**	**-**
(xxi)	**Net increase in debt securities issued**					
	Opening balance for the year	40	78,493,492	101,531,205	-	-
	Additions during the year		2,121,060	848,220	-	-
	Repayments during the year		-	(26,000,000)	-	-
	Accrued coupon interest for the year		1,019,538	(119,189)	-	-
	Coupon interest paid during the year		(789,022)	(574,910)	-	-
	Amortised cost on financial liabilities adjustments		(160,850)	235,410	-	-
	Translation difference		4,061,623	2,572,756	-	-
	Closing balance for the year	40	**84,745,841**	**78,493,492**	**-**	**-**

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		Note	GROUP		COMPANY	
			31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021
(xxii)	**Dividend received**					
	Dividend receivable as at beginning of year		-	-	2,529,067	-
	Dividend accrued within the year		977,540	830,168	6,745,194	4,903,114
	Dividend received within the year		(977,540)	(830,168)	(5,026,119)	(2,374,047)
	Dividend receivable as at end of year		**-**	**-**	**4,248,142**	**2,529,067**
(xxiii)	**Investment in subsidiaries**					
	Opening balance for the year		-	-	127,378,197	127,378,197
	Additional investment for the year		-	-	850,000	-
	Non cash related adjustments		-	-	4,000,000	-
	Closing balance for the year		**-**	**-**	**132,228,197**	**127,378,197**
(xxiv)	**Investment in asociates**					
	Opening balance for the year		6,715,273	-	-	-
	Additional investment for the year		-	6,715,273	-	-
	Non cash related adjustments		(6,715,273)	-	-	-
	Closing balance for the year		**-**	**6,715,273**	**-**	**-**

52 Financial Reporting Council's Certification Requirement for Professionals Engaged in Financial Reporting Process

In line with Financial Reporting Council of Nigeria certification requirement for professionals engaged in the financial reporting process: external auditors, officers of reporting entities and other professional providing assurance to reporting entities, below is a list of professionals engaged in the financial reporting process relating to financial statements during the period.

S/N	NAME OF PROFESSIONAL	FRC_NUMBER	ROLE
1	PEDABO ASSOCIATES LTD	FRC/2013/ICAN/00000000908	Tax Consultant
2	I.R. AKINTOYE & CO.	FRC/2014/ICAN/00000007015	Tax Consultant
3	ADEGBONMIRE AND ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/00000000001226	Property & Valuation Experts
4	AKUJURU ASSOCIATES	FRC/2014/00000004631	Property & Valuation Experts
5	ALAGBE & PARTNERS	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000004334	Property & Valuation Experts
6	ARIGBEDE & CO.	FRC/2014/00000004634	Property & Valuation Experts
7	AUSTIN CHINEGWU & CO.	FRC/2015/NIESV/00000012501	Property & Valuation Experts
8	BAMIGBOLA CONSULTING	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000897	Property & Valuation Experts
9	BAYO ADEYEMO & ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000005193	Property & Valuation Experts
10	BAYO OYEDEJI & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000003983	Property & Valuation Experts
11	BEN EBOREIME & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000003232	Property & Valuation Experts
12	BIODUN OLAPADE & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000004303	Property & Valuation Experts
13	BOLA OLAWUYI CONSULTING	FRC/2014/NIESV/00000007657	Property & Valuation Experts
14	CHIKE MONEME & PARTNERS	FRC/2014/00000005796	Property & Valuation Experts
15	CHUMA EZEALIGO ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000004822	Property & Valuation Experts
16	DIPO FAKOREDE & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000324	Property & Valuation Experts
17	DIYA FATIMILEHIN & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000754; FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002773	Property & Valuation Experts
18	GAB OKONKWO & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002220	Property & Valuation Experts
19	IMO EKANEM & CO.	FRC/2012/NIESV/00000000114	Property & Valuation Experts
20	J OKARO AND ASSOCIATES	FRC/2015/NIESV/00000002947	Property & Valuation Experts
21	JOE NWORAH & CO.	FRC/2015/NIESV/00000010760	Property & Valuation Experts
22	JOHN ZEDOMI & ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002415	Property & Valuation Experts
23	JOSEPH ADEGBILE AND CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000004005	Property & Valuation Experts
24	KNIGHT FRANK	FRC/2013/0000000000584	Property & Valuation Experts

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S/N	NAME OF PROFESSIONAL	FRC_NUMBER	ROLE
25	LANSAR AGHAJI & CO.	FRC/2015/00000006074	Property & Valuation Experts
26	LOLA ADEYEMO & CO.	FRC/2015/NIESV/00000010805	Property & Valuation Experts
27	MGBEODURU SAM & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000003326	Property & Valuation Experts
28	NWOKOMA NWANKWO & COMPANY	FRC/2012/0000000000200	Property & Valuation Experts
29	O.S. BORONI ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000003393	Property & Valuation Experts
30	ODUDU & CO.	FRC/2012/0000000000124; FRC/2012/NIESV/00000000198	Property & Valuation Experts
31	OKEY OGBONNA & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000964	Property & Valuation Experts
32	PAUL OSAJI & CO.	FRC/2013/00000001098	Property & Valuation Experts
33	PHIL NWACHUKWU & ASSOCIATES	FRC/2014/NIESV/00000009853	Property & Valuation Experts
34	RAWLINGS EHUMADU AND CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002351	Property & Valuation Experts
35	SAM NWOSU & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002538	Property & Valuation Experts
36	UNIGWE & CO.	FRC/2012/0000000000130	Property & Valuation Experts
37	VIC ONWUMERE & CO.	FRC/2015/NIESV/00000010974	Property & Valuation Experts
38	VICTOR OKPEVA & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000003029	Property & Valuation Experts
39	YEMI OLUGBILE & CO.	FRC/2013/00000000001227	Property & Valuation Experts
40	YINKA KAYODE & CO.	FRC/2013/00000000001197	Property & Valuation Experts
41	A. C. OTEGBULU & PARTNERS	FRC/NIESV/00000001582	Property & Valuation Experts
42	BIODUN ADEGOKE & CO	FRC/2015/NIESV/00000010747	Property & Valuation Experts
43	BOLA ONABADEJO & CO	FRC/2013/00000000001601; FRC/2015/NIESV/00000012433	Property & Valuation Experts
44	CHIKA EGWUATU & PARTNERS	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000862; FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000857	Property & Valuation Experts
45	DIYA FATIMILEHIN & CO.	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000000754; FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002773	Property & Valuation Experts
46	EMEKA OKORONKWO & ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/NIESV/00000002548	Property & Valuation Experts
47	EMMA OFOEGBU AND PARTNERS	FRC/2014/NIESV/00000007527	Property & Valuation Experts
48	GBOYEGA AKERELE & PARTNERS	FRC/2012/00000000117	Property & Valuation Experts
49	GODWIN KALU & CO	FRC/2012/NIESV/00000000470	Property & Valuation Experts
50	J AJAYI PATUNOLA & CO.	FRC/2013/0000000000679	Property & Valuation Experts
51	JUDE ONUOHA & CO	FRC/2012/NIESV/00000000477	Property & Valuation Experts
52	LEKAN DUNMOYE & PARTNERS	FRC/2013/00000000001142	Property & Valuation Experts
53	ODUDU & CO.	FRC/2012/0000000000124; FRC/2012/NIESV/00000000198	Property & Valuation Experts
54	OMOBAYO ADEGOKE AND PARTNERS	FRC/2014/00000005787	Property & Valuation Experts
55	OSAS & OSEJI ESTATE SURVEYORS & VALUERS	FRC/2012/0000000000522	Property & Valuation Experts
56	REMI OLOFA & CO.	FRC/2013/00000000001631	Property & Valuation Experts
57	SOLA BADMUS & CO	FRC/2012/NIESV/00000000256	Property & Valuation Experts
58	TOKUN & ASSOCIATES	FRC/2013/00000000001353	Property & Valuation Experts
59	YAYOK ASSOCIATES	FRN/2013/NIESV/0000000000834	Property & Valuation Experts

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53 Provision of non-audit services

Auditor's remuneration represents fees for the interim and full year audit of the Group and Company for the year ended 31 December 2022.The Group also paid the auditors professional fees for non-audit services. These services, in the Company's opinion, did not impair the independence and objectivity of the external auditor. Non-audit services provided during the year ended 31 December 2022 are stated below:

	Description of non-audit services	Name of signer	FRC Number	Name of Firm	Fee paid (N'000)
(i)	Nigeria Deposit Insurance Corporation (NDIC) certification	Joshua Ojo	FRC/2013/ICAN/ 00000000785	Deloitte & Touché Nigeria	4,838
(ii)	Professional services with respect to ISO 27032 training and exam for 5 participants			Deloitte & Touché Nigeria	1,881
(iii)	Professional services with respect to Digital Strategy	Wole Oyeniran		Deloitte & Touché Nigeria	30,222
					36,941

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Value Added Statement

	GROUP				COMPANY			
For the year ended	**31 DEC 2022**		**31 DEC 2021**		**31 DEC 2022**		**31 DEC 2021**	
In thousands of Naira		%		%		%		%
Gross Income	**282,981,556**		**212,012,446**		**8,965,995**		**6,461,307**	
Interest Expense & Charges								
- Local	(87,697,799)		(58,805,240)		(8,205)		(490)	
- Foreign	(19,880,927)		(19,162,736)		-		-	
	175,402,830		**134,044,470**		**8,957,790**		**6,460,817**	
Impairment Losses	(24,966,308)		(15,238,207)		(27,669)		(17,387)	
	150,436,522		**118,806,263**		**8,930,121**		**6,443,430**	
Bought-in Material and Services								
- Local	(56,578,662)		(45,658,708)		(988,741)		(941,029)	
- Foreign	(12,000,951)		(11,235,833)		-		-	
Value Added	**81,856,909**	**100**	**61,911,722**	**100**	**7,941,380**	**100**	**5,502,401**	**100**
Distribution								
Employees								
Wages, salaries, pensions and other employee benefits	35,614,915	44	31,262,749	51	633,085	8	374,671	7
Government								
Taxation	5,441,372	7	1,799,934	3	24,198	0	19,613	0
The Future								
Replacement of property and equipment / intangible assets	9,671,931	12	8,027,692	13	19,909	0	19,419	0
Dividend paid	3,995,422	5	2,984,807	5	3,960,542	50	2,970,407	54
Profit for the period (including statutory and regulatory risk reserves)	26,905,325	33	17,723,772	29	3,303,646	42	2,118,291	38
Non-controlling interest	227,944	0	112,768	0	-	-	-	-
VALUE ADDED	**81,856,909**	**100**	**61,911,722**	**100**	**7,941,380**	**100**	**5,502,401**	**100**

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Five-year Financial Summary

GROUP

In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2020	31 DEC 2019	31 DEC 2018
ASSETS EMPLOYED					
Cash and cash equivalents	247,485,623	362,700,083	221,078,644	223,545,838	185,147,549
Non-pledged trading assets	160,730,775	41,538,274	9,301,789	51,087,200	47,469,113
Derivative assets held for risk management	853,709	-	1,884,398	11,666,095	10,538
Investment securities	524,573,025	372,548,333	406,665,569	239,935,756	235,921,932
Assets pledged as collateral	79,009,207	115,456,683	189,216,506	118,653,230	87,409,893
Loans and advances to customers	1,195,626,586	1,063,589,192	822,772,612	715,880,600	633,034,962
Other assets	192,385,077	127,410,850	25,258,857	31,554,348	35,259,574
Restricted reserve deposits	493,359,709	329,739,147	311,746,155	208,916,226	146,497,087
Investment in subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-
Investment in associates	-	6,810,651	-	-	-
Property and equipment, and right of use assets	50,967,522	47,084,551	46,202,464	43,697,159	37,281,754
Intangible assets	29,637,593	17,155,970	16,321,660	15,624,505	15,320,782
Deferred tax assets	8,423,731	9,163,896	7,944,839	7,944,838	7,944,838
	2,983,052,557	**2,493,197,630**	**2,058,393,493**	**1,668,505,795**	**1,431,298,022**
FINANCED BY					
Share capital	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355
Share premium	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414
Retained earnings	74,561,490	62,872,102	47,482,438	34,187,857	28,962,144
Other reserves	75,045,929	55,058,784	53,964,438	40,952,603	28,950,679
Non-controlling Interest	978,422	581,059	379,555	232,418	220,514
Trading liabilities	1,883,937	5,174,902	8,361,951	37,082,002	32,474,632
Derivative liabilities held for risk management	1,699,900	-	1,871,869	7,563,600	10,538
Deposits from banks	124,365,459	160,746,916	119,365,158	90,060,925	39,140,044
Deposits from customers	1,944,908,569	1,554,413,623	1,257,130,907	943,085,581	821,747,423
Retirement benefit obligations	23,384	14,855	325,557	132,542	80,207
Current income tax liabilities	7,180,286	5,449,065	4,502,688	4,743,683	5,038,371
Deferred tax liabilities	391,897	308,729	316,090	345,852	307,703
Other liabilities	196,902,171	199,465,224	111,457,615	103,105,601	116,216,647
Provision	7,514,884	6,747,270	6,325,375	5,598,177	11,583,432
On-lending facilities	249,191,651	157,873,774	60,366,840	70,912,203	57,889,225
Debt securities issued	84,745,841	78,493,492	101,531,205	71,864,898	54,651,172
Borrowings	88,364,968	80,704,066	159,718,037	133,344,085	108,731,522
	2,983,052,557	**2,493,197,630**	**2,058,393,492**	**1,668,505,795**	**1,431,298,022**
Acceptances and guarantees	**310,795,223**	**281,178,633**	**223,278,647**	**209,940,465**	**234,930,713**

PROFIT OR LOSS ACCOUNT

	12months Dec 2022	12months Dec 2021	12months Dec 2020	12months Dec 2019	12months Dec 2018
Gross earnings	**282,981,556**	**212,012,446**	**198,371,140**	**181,249,930**	**175,368,948**
Profit before tax	36,570,063	22,716,659	21,911,716	20,130,397	18,442,297
Tax	(5,441,372)	(1,799,934)	(2,301,262)	(2,793,123)	(3,470,769)
Profit after tax	**31,128,691**	**20,916,725**	**19,610,454**	**17,337,274**	**14,971,528**
Transfer to reserves	**31,128,691**	**20,916,725**	**19,610,454**	**17,337,274**	**14,971,528**
Earnings per share - basic and diluted (Naira)	1.56	1.05	0.98	0.87	0.75

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Five-year Financial Summary

COMPANY

In thousands of Naira	31 DEC 2022	31 DEC 2021	31 DEC 2020	31 DEC 2019	31 DEC 2018
ASSETS EMPLOYED					
Cash and cash equivalents	30,607	621,755	818,741	19,482	297,957
Investment securities	8,023,508	6,007,162	4,359,999	3,799,741	3,727,938
Other assets	6,353,476	7,849,591	2,084,505	2,908,633	2,342,951
Investment in subsidiaries	132,228,197	127,378,197	127,378,197	127,200,705	126,405,374
Property and equipment, and right of use assets	30,165	42,815	78,313	91,259	17,846
Intangible assets	12,094	-	-	-	-
	146,678,047	**141,899,520**	**134,719,755**	**134,019,820**	**132,792,066**
FINANCED BY					
Share capital	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355	9,901,355
Share premium	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414	115,392,414
Retained earnings	12,352,706	9,049,060	6,930,769	6,642,875	5,813,795
Other reserves	-	-	2,817	2,817	(1,481)
Current income tax liabilities	72,584	50,926	49,568	84,386	178,455
Other liabilities	8,102,130	7,505,765	2,442,832	1,995,973	1,203,898
Provision	-	-	-	-	303,630
Borrowings	856,858	-	-	-	-
	146,678,047	**141,899,520**	**134,719,755**	**134,019,820**	**132,792,066**
Acceptances and guarantees	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**

PROFIT OR LOSS ACCOUNT

	12months Dec 2022	12months Dec 2021	12months Dec 2020	12months Dec 2019	12months Dec 2018
Gross earnings	**8,965,995**	**6,461,307**	**4,200,172**	**3,501,949**	**3,438,588**
Profit before tax	7,288,386	5,108,311	3,078,036	3,614,493	3,675,692
Tax	(24,198)	(19,613)	(17,763)	(13,033)	(123,300)
Profit after tax	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**	**3,060,273**	**3,601,460**	**3,552,392**
Transfer to reserves	**7,264,188**	**5,088,698**	**3,060,273**	**3,601,460**	**3,552,392**
Earnings per share - basic and diluted (Naira)	0.37	0.26	0.15	0.18	0.18

Shareholders Information

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 10th Annual General Meeting of **FCMB Group Plc** (the Company) will be held will be held **virtually** on Friday, 28 April 2023 at 11.00 am to transact the following:

ORDINARY BUSINESS:

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, the Auditor's Report thereon and the Audit Committee Report.

2. To declare a dividend.

3. To re-elect the following Directors who are retiring by rotation:
   i. Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora
   ii. Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael
   iii. Ms. Muibat Ijaiya

4. To authorise the Directors to fix the remuneration of the Auditors.

5. To disclose the remuneration of managers of the Company.

6. To elect members of the Audit Committee.

Dated this 4th day of April, 2023

By Order of the Board

Mrs. Olufunmilayo Adedibu
Company Secretary
FRC/2014/NBA/00000005887

NOTES:

Proxy

Only a member (shareholder) of the Company entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote in his/her stead. A proxy need not be a member of the Company. All valid instruments of proxy should be completed and deposited at the oce of the Company's Registrars, CardinalStone Registrars Limited, 335/337 Herbert Macaulay Way, Sabo Yaba, Lagos; Or via email to **registrars@cardinalstone.com** not later than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting. Payment of stamp duties for all instruments of proxy shall be at the company's expense.

Virtual Meeting Link

Further to the signing into law of the Business Facilitation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, which allows public companies to hold meetings electronically, this AGM would be held virtually. The Virtual Meeting Link for the Annual General Meeting is **https://on.fcmb.com/AGM**. The Virtual Meeting Link will also be available on the Company's website.

Closure of Register

The Register of Members will be closed from 14 April 2023 to 18 April 2023 (both days inclusive).

Dividend Payment

If the dividend recommended by the Directors is approved by members at the Annual General Meeting, the dividend will be credited on Friday 28 April 2023 to mandated accounts of members so entitled, whose names appear in the register of members at the close of business on 13 April 2023.

Unclaimed Dividends

Shareholders are hereby informed that several dividends remain unclaimed or are yet to be presented for payment or returned to the Registrars for revalidation. A schedule of members who are yet to claim their dividend will be circulated to shareholders along with the Annual Report

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and Financial Statements. Any Shareholder affected by this is advised to contact the Company's Registrars, CardinalStone Registrars Limited, 335/337, Herbert Macaulay Way, Yaba, Lagos.

Audit Committee

In accordance with Section 404 (6) of the Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020, any shareholder may nominate a shareholder for appointment to the Audit Committee. Such nomination should be in writing and reach the Company Secretary not less than 21 days before the Annual General Meeting. The Companies and Allied Matters Act 2020 provide that all members of the Audit Committee shall be financially literate.

The Code of Corporate Governance issued by the Securities and Exchange Commission also stipulates that members of the Audit Committee should have basic financial literacy and should be able to read financial statements. Thus, a detailed curriculum vitae confirming the nominee's adequate qualifications should be submitted with each nomination.

Rights of Shareholders to Ask Questions

Shareholders and other holders of the Company's securities reserve the right to ask questions not only at the meeting, but also in writing prior to the meeting, and such questions should be submitted to the Company on or before 21 April 2023.

By Order of the Board

Mrs. Olufunmilayo Adedibu
Company Secretary
FRC/2014/NBA/0000005887

Proxy Form & Resolutions

FCMB GROUP PLC
RC: No 1079631

10TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING to be held **virtually** on **Friday 28 April, 2023** at 11.00 am.

I/We ....
being a member/members of FCMB Group Plc hereby appoint

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(PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS)

or failing him, the Chairman of the Meeting as my/our proxy to act and vote for me/us and on my/our behalf at the Annual General Meeting of FCMB Group Plc, which will be held virtually on Friday 28 April 2023 at 11.00 am or at any adjournment thereof.

Dated this...................... day of.......................... 2023.

Shareholder's Signature ....

NOTES:

1. A member (shareholder) entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting is allowed by law to vote by proxy and the above proxy form has been prepared to enable you to exercise your right to vote at the meeting.
2. Following the normal practice, the Chairman of the meeting has been entered on the form to ensure that someone will be at the meeting to act as your proxy but, if you wish, you may insert in the blank space (marked*) the name of any person out of the nominated Proxies, who will attend the meeting and vote on your behalf.
3. Please sign and post the proxy form so as to reach The Registrar, CardinalStone Registrars Limited, 335/337 Herbert Macaulay Way, Sabo Yaba, Lagos, not later than 48 hours before the time appointed for the meeting and ensure that the proxy form is filled, dated and signed.
4. If executed by a corporate body, the proxy form should be sealed with the Common Seal or under the hand of an officer or attorney duly authorised in that behalf.

	RESOLUTIONS	FOR	AGAINST	ABSTAIN
1	To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022, the Auditor's Report thereon and the Audit Committee Report.			
2	To declare a dividend.			
3	To re-elect Directors that are retiring by rotation:			
	I. Mrs. Olapeju Sofowora			
	I. Mrs. 'Tokunboh Ishmael			
	iii. Ms. Muibat Ijaiya			
4.	To authorize the Directors to fix the remuneration of the Auditors.			
5	To disclose the remuneration of managers of the Company.			
6	To elect members of the Audit Committee.			

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Mandate for E-Dividend Payment

PLEASE RETURN TO:
CardinalStone Registrars,
335/337 Herbert Macaulay Way, Sabo, Yaba, Lagos, Nigeria
P.O. Box 9117, Marina, Lagos, Nigeria.

It is our pleasure to inform you that the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has directed that dividend(s) due to a shareholder should be paid by DIRECT CREDIT into the shareholder's mandated bank account. Consequently, we hereby request you provide the following information to enable us to process the direct payment of your dividend (when declared) into your bank account.

(PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS IN CAPITAL LETTERS)

Shareholder's Account Number		Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	
Surname/Company's Name		
Other Names (for Individual Shareholders)		
City/Town		State	
Email Address		
Mobile (GSM) Phone		
Bank Name		
Account Name		
Branch Address		
Bank Account Number		
Bank Sort Code		

I/We hereby request that all dividend(s) due to me/our holding(s) in FCMB be paid by direct credit to my/our bank account given above.

Shareholder's Signature or thumbprint	**Company Seal/Incorporation Number** (for Corporate Shareholders)
Shareholder's Signature or thumbprint	Authorised Signature & Stamp of Bankers

Electronic Delivery Mandate Form

Dear Sir/Madam,

To enable you to receive your shareholder communications promptly, FCMB has introduced the electronic delivery of its Annual Report and Accounts, proxy forms and other statutory documents to shareholders.

With this service, instead of receiving a hard copy of our annual reports and other corporate documents, you can elect to receive a soft copy of the Annual Report, proxy form, etc., either as a link to a downloadable version of the report that will be sent to your email address or on a compact disc (CD), which will be posted to you.

Please complete this form to register your preference and return the completed form to: the Registrar,
CardinalStones Registrars Limited
335/337 Herbert Macaulay Way, Sabo
Yaba, Lagos
or any of the Registrar's offices nationwide

Mrs. Olufunmilayo Adedibu
Company Secretary

I____

of____
HEREBY AGREE TO THE ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FCMB GROUP PLC'S ANNUAL REPORTS, PROXY FORMS, PROSPECTUSES, NEWSLETTERS AND STATUTORY DOCUMENTS TO ME THROUGH:

Please tick only one option:

- An electronic copy via compact disc (CD) sent to my postal address, or
- I will download from the web address forwarded to my email address stated below
- Continue receiving the report in hard copy to my postal address

My email address:

____

How often would you like to receive them?

- Annually
- Semi-annually

Description of Service

By enrolling in the electronic delivery service, you have agreed to receive all future announcements/ shareholder communications, as stated below, by email. These communications can be made available to you either semi-annually or annually.

Annual reports, proxy forms, prospectuses and newsletters are examples of the shareholder communications that can be made available to you electronically. Enrolment to our electronic delivery service will be effective for all your holdings in FCMB Group Plc on an ongoing basis, unless you change or cancel your enrolment.

This initiative is in line with our determination to help protect and sustain our planet's environment and the consolidated SEC Rule 128 (6) of September 2011 which states that "A Registrar of a public company may dispatch Annual Reports and Notices of Meetings to shareholders by electronic means".

Name (surname first)

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Signature

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Date ____

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Branches & Accounts Opening Information

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BRANCH ADDRESS	
ABIA	
1	90 Asa Road, Aba, Abia
2	10 Brass Road Branch, Aba, Abia
3	161 Faulks Road, Aba, Abia
4	5 Library Avenue, Umuahia, Abia
5	10 Akanu Ibiam Road, Umuahia, Abia
ABUJA	
6	No 78 Aminu Kano Crescent, Wuse 2, Abuja
7	1 Yola Street, Area 7, Garki, Abuja
8	6 Ogbomosho Street, Area 8, Garki, Abuja
9	Plot 750, Aminu Kano Way, Wuse, Abuja
10	1 Council Secretariat Avenue, Bwari, Abuja
11	1st Avenue, Crest Plaza, Gwarimpa, Abuja
12	Federal Secretariat Complex, Phase 3, Abuja
13	Plot 252, Herbert Macauly Way, Central Business District, Abuja
14	30 Gana Street, Maitama, Abuja
15	Plot 1,640, Ladoke Akintola Boulevard, Garki II, Abuja
16	St Jude Plaza, Opposite Gudu Market, Abuja
17	Plot 136B, Gado Nasko Road, Kubwa, Abuja
18	Plot 33A, Sauka Extension, Kuje Town Centre, Abuja
19	White House Basement, National Assembly Complex, Three Arms Zone, Abuja
20	Plot 108, Adetokunbo Ademola Cadastral Zone A08, Wuse 2 District, Abuja
21	Plot 532, IBB Way Zone 4, Wuse, Abuja
22	75 Yakubu Gowon Crescent, Asokoro, Abuja
23	203A Phase One Specialist Hospital Road, Gwagwalada, Abuja
24	Mallam Shehu Plaza, Plot 35, IT Igbani Street, off Obafemi Awolowo Way, Jabi, Abuja
25	4 Mediterranean Street, Imani Estate, Maitama, Abuja
26	Plot 207 Zakara Maimalari Street, Cadastral Zone AO, Central Business District, Abuja
27	14 Port Harcourt Crescent, off Gimbiya Street, Area 11, Garki, Abuja
ADAMAWA	
28	20 Atiku Abubakar Way, Jimeta, Yola, Adamawa
AKWA IBOM	
29	Grace Bill by Marina Junction, Eket, Akwa Ibom

BRANCH ADDRESS	
30	5 Harley Drive, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom
31	143 Abak Road, Uyo, Akwa Ibom
32	105 Oron Road, Uyo, Akwa Ibom
ANAMBRA	
33	84 Nnamdi Azikiwe Avenue, Awka, Anambra
34	38 Zik Avenue, Awka, Anambra State
35	10 Awka Road, Ekwulobia, Anambra
36	15 Oraifite Road, Nnewi, Anambra
37	Electrical Market, Obosi, Onitsha, Anambra
38	4 Hospital Road, along Ekwulobia-Oko Road, Ekwulobia, Anambra
39	40 Ugah Street, Bridgehead, Onitsha, Anambra
40	9A New Market Road, Onitsha, Anambra
41	53 New Market Road, Onitsha, Anambra
BAUCHI	
42	4 Jamaare Road, Azare, Bauchi
43	Isa Yuguda House, 19/23 Jos Road, Bauchi
44	FCMB, Commercial Road, By State Library, Bauchi
45	Former Women Development Center, GRA, Bauchi
BAYELSA	
46	181 Mbiama Road, Yenagoa, Bayelsa
47	76 Mbiama/Yenagoa Road, By Chief Obele Street Junction, Ovom-Yenagoa, Bayelsa
BENUE	
48	20B, New Otukpo Road, Opp. OG Winners Plaza, Wurukum, Makurdi (FCMB), Benue
BORNO	
49	3 Baga Road, before the railway crossing, Maiduguri, Borno
CROSS RIVER	
50	14 Calabar Road, Calabar, Cross River
51	7 Calabar Road, Ikom, Cross River
52	New Secretariat Complex, Murtala Mohammed Highway, Calabar, Cross River
DELTA	
53	370 Nnebisi Road, Asaba, Delta
54	461 Nnebisi Road, Asaba, Delta
55	68 Effurun/Sapele Road, Warri, Delta
56	30 Ughelli/Warri Road, Ughelli, Delta
57	52 Airport Road, Warri, Delta
58	37 Okumagba Avenue, by Okere Roundabout, Warri, Delta

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59	16 Anwai Road, Asaba, Delta
EBONYI	
60	36B Sam Egwu Way, Abakaliki, Ebonyi
EDO	
61	112 Mission Road, Benin City, Edo
62	183 Uselu-Ugbowo Road, Benin City, Edo
63	62 Jattu Road, Auchi (UBA Building), Edo
64	84 Akpakpava Road, Benin City, Edo
EKITI	
65	New Secretariat Road, Ado Ekiti, Ekiti
ENuGu	
66	71 Enugu Road, Agbani Town, Enugu
67	12A Market Road, Enugu, Enugu
68	41 Garden Avenue, Enugu, Enugu
69	7B University Road, Nsukka, Enugu
70	4 Presidential Avenue, Nkpokiti Junction, Enugu, Enugu
GOMBE	
71	Ashaka Cement Factory Complex, Ashaka, Gombe
72	11 Biu Link Road, Opposite Central Market, Gombe
73	Adamu Fura house, BIU Road, adjacent to Eco Bank, Gombe
IMO	
74	5B Mbaise Road, Owerri, Imo
75	5 LN Obioha Road, Orlu, Imo
76	81 Wetheral Road, Owerri, Imo
77	40 Wetheral Road, Owerri, Imo
JIGAWA	
78	12A-13A Kiyawa Road, Dutse, Jigawa
KADuNA	
79	1A Ahmadu Bello Way, Kaduna
80	40 Ali Akilu Road, Kaduna
81	Beside Kachia Police Station, Kachia, Kaduna
82	1/2A Kachia Road, Kaduna
83	26/27 Constitution Road, Kaduna
84	26 Kachia Road, Sabon Tasha, Kaduna
85	6 Yakubu Gowon Way, Kaduna
86	Block F3, Kaduna-Gusau Road, Zaria, Kaduna
87	40, Ali Akilu Road, Abdulahi Yaro House, Kaduna North

BRANCH ADDRESS	
KANO	
88	40 Murtala Mohammed Way, Kano
89	17/18 Bello Road, Kano
90	7 Bompai Road, Kano
91	58E Ibrahim Taiwo Road, Fegge, Kano
92	15, Bank Road, Kano
93	9c Muritala Mohammed Road, Kano
94	145 Murtala Mohammed Way, Kano
KATSINA	
95	132 IBB Way, Kano/Katsina Road, by Yantomaki Road, Katsina
KEBBI	
96	Plot 20, Emir Haruna Road, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi
97	4 Emir Haruna Road, Beside Nitel Office, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi
KOGI	
98	Along Idah-Ajaokuta Road, opposite General Post Office, Anyigba, Kogi
99	16 Aliyu Obaje Road, Okene/Kabba Road, opposite Stella Obasanjo Library, Lokoja, Kogi
100	Suit 5 Grand Quest Plaza, Lokoja, Kogi
KWARA	
101	120 Abdulazeez Atta Road, Surulere, Ilorin, Kwara
102	79B Ibrahim Taiwo Road, Ilorin, Kwara
103	33 Murtala Mohammed Way, Ilorin, Kwara
LAGOS	
104	1 Davies Street, UNTL Building off Marina Street, Lagos Island, Lagos
105	11 Ijaiye Street, Oke Arin, Lagos
106	117 Okota Road, Okota, Isolo, Lagos
107	11B Adeola Odeku Street, Victoria Island, Lagos
108	12 Macarthy Street, Onikan, Lagos
109	12 Oroyinyin Street, Idumota, Lagos Island, Lagos
110	91, Ladipo Street, Matori, Mushin, Lagos
111	13 Alfred Rewane Road, Ikoyi, Lagos
112	148A Olojo Drive, Ojo, Lagos
113	16 Warehouse Road, Apapa, Lagos
114	178 Ikorodu Road, Onipanu, Lagos
115	18/20 Mobolaji Bank Anthony Way, Ikeja, Lagos
116	2 Joseph Street, off Marina Street, Lagos Island, Lagos

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117	218 Egbeda-Idimu Road, Idimu, Lagos
118	22 Idoluwo Street, Idumota, Lagos
119	23 Ogba Ijaiye Road, opposite WAEC Office, Ogba, Lagos
120	23/25 Murtala Mohammed International Airport Road, Ikeja, Lagos
121	253 Agege Motor Road, Mushin, Lagos
122	25B Ilupeju Bypass, off Coker Junction, Ilupeju, Lagos
123	28 Creek Road, Apapa, Lagos
124	29 Oba Akran Avenue, Ikeja, Lagos
125	33 Adeniran Ogunsanya Street, Surulere, Lagos
126	33 Osolo Way, Ajao Estate, Lagos
127	36 Allen Avenue, Ikeja, Lagos
128	38 Adeola Hopewell Street, Victoria Island, Lagos
129	42 Diya Street, Ifako Gbagada, Lagos
130	43 Ojuelegba Road, Surulere, Lagos
131	44 Marina Street, Lagos Island, Lagos
132	48 Isaac John Street, Ikeja G.R.A., Lagos
133	545/547 Ketu, Ikorodu Road, Lagos
134	63/64 Igbokushu Village, opposite Jakande Estate, Lekki, Lagos
135	68 Awolowo Road, Ikoyi, Lagos
136	7 Lagos Road, Ikorodu, Lagos
137	757 Lagos-Abeokuta Expressway, Salolo Alagbole, Lagos
138	Pacific Holding Building, 100 Kudirat Abiola Way, Oregun, Ikeja, Lagos
139	90 Awolowo Road, Ikoyi, Lagos
140	481 Agege Motor Road, Oshodi, Lagos
141	Above Plaza, BBA Trade Fair Complex, Lagos
142	74/76, Broad Street, adjacent to Methodist Church of the Trinity by Tinubu Square, Lagos
443	Block 11, Suite 3-8, Agric Market, Odun Ade Bus Stop, Orile Coker, Lagos
144	Daddy Doherty House, 34 Idumagbo Avenue, Lagos
145	Eleganza Plaza, 1 Wharf Road, Apapa, Lagos
146	Founders Place, 2 Sanusi Fafunwa Street, Victoria Island, Lagos
147	Km 18, Lekki-Epe Expressway, before Chevron Roundabout, Lekki, Lagos
148	Km 23, Berger Bus Stop, Lekki-Epe Expressway, Ajah, Lagos
149	Leventis Building, 2-4 Iddo Road, Iddo, Lagos
150	M1 Point Motorways Complex, Ikeja, Lagos

	BRANCH ADDRESS
151	MMA Zulu Terminal, Domestic Airport, Ikeja, Lagos
152	Obosi Plaza, A-line, Alaba International Market, Alaba, Lagos
153	Old Abeokuta Express Road, Oko-Oba, Agege, Lagos
154	Olusegun Obasanjo Hall, Aspamda, Trade Fair Complex, Badagry Expressway, Lagos
155	Plot 1,572, 4th Avenue, Festac Town, Lagos
156	Plot 111 Ogudu GRA, Ojota Road, Ogudu, Lagos
157	Plot 123, Amuwo Odofin Road, Festac Link Bridge, Amuwo-Odofin, Lagos
158	Plot 719A, Adetokunbo Ademola Street, Victoria Island, Lagos
159	Plot B, Block E12E, Admiralty Way, Lekki, Lagos
160	Primateck Plaza, Shasha Roundabout, Akowonjo, Lagos
161	Primrose Tower, 17A Tinubu Street, Lagos
162	S Line, Old Garage, Alaba Electrical Section, Alaba International Market, Alaba, Lagos
164	Slok House, 10 Randle Road, Apapa, Lagos
165	The Hive Mall, Plot 16, T.F. Kuboye Road, off New Market Road, Oniru, Lagos
NASARAWA	
166	43 Sani Abacha Way (Jos Road), Lafia, Nasarawa
167	75 Abdu Zanga Way, Tsohon Tasha, Keffi, Nasarawa
168	Plot 35779, Mararaba Gurku, Karu, Nasarawa
NIGER	
169	3 Paiko Road, opposite CBN, Minna, Niger
170	18 Suleiman Barau Road, Suleja, Niger
171	83 Broadcasting Road, Minna, Niger
OGUN	
172	1 Ilaro Street, Agbara Industrial Estate, Agbara, Ogun
173	141 Akarigbo Street, Sagamu, Ogun
174	168 Folagbade Street, Ijebu-Ode, Ogun
175	21 Lalubu Street, Oke-Ilewo Abeokuta, Ogun
176	52 Ejirin Road, Impepe, Ijebu-Ode, Ogun
177	54 Ojodu-Akute Road, Alagbole Bus Stop, Akute, Ogun
178	57, Idi-Iroko Road, Sango Ota, Ogun
179	Km 48, Lagos-Ibadan Expressway, Redeem Camp, Ogun

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180	Permanent Site, Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun
ONDO	
181	5 Bishop Fagun Road, Alagbaka, Akure, Ondo
182	1 Olukayode House, Oshinle, Akure, Ondo
183	Plot 1E, 5B GRA Igbokoda, Ilaje, Ondo
184	15 Yaba Street, Ondo
OSuN	
185	F16 Ereguru Street, Ilesha, Osun
186	Km 3, Gbongan/Ibadan Road, Osogbo, Osun
187	No 3, Akarabata Layout, Along Lagere Road, Osogbo, Osun
188	B11 Treasure Plaza, Beside Wema Bank, Igbona Market, Osogbo, Osun
OYO	
189	Felele roundabout Idi Odo Molete, Ibadan, Oyo
190	1C Sabo Garage, Ojoo/Ibadan Express Road, Ojoo, Ibadan, Oyo
191	23/25 Lebanon Street, Dugbe, Ibadan, Oyo
192	30 Oyo Road, opposite UI Post Office, Ibadan, Oyo
193	55 Iwo Road, Ibadan, Oyo
194	57 Agbeni Market Road, Agbeni, Ibadan, Oyo
195	Plot 3, University of Ibadan/Secretariat Road, Bodija Extension, Bodija, Ibadan, Oyo
196	University College Hospital, opposite Total Filling Station, Ibadan, Oyo
PLATEAU	
197	4 Beach Road, opposite Plateau State Board of Internal Revenue Office, Jos, Plateau
198	British American Tobacco Junction, Bukuru Bypass, Jos, Plateau
199	7 Murtala Mohammed Way, Jos, Plateau

BRANCH ADDRESS	
RIVERS	
200	117 Trans Amadi Industrial Layout, Port Harcourt, Rivers
201	19 Ikwerre Road, Mile 1, Diobu, Port Harcourt, Rivers
202	2/3 Rumuokoro Street, Rumuomasi, Port Harcourt, Rivers
203	26 Zaakpon/Poly Road, Bori, Port Harcourt, Rivers
204	282A GRA Bus Stop, Aba Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers
205	290 Old Aba Road, Oyigbo, Rivers
206	457 Ikwerre Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers
207	46A Abuloma Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers
208	642 Ikwerre Road, Rumuokoro, Port Harcourt, Rivers
209	7B Azikwe Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers
210	80 Olu Obasanjo Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers
211	81 Aggrey Road, Port Harcourt, Rivers
212	85 Aba Road, by Garrison Junction, Port Harcourt, Rivers
213	9 Port Harcourt-Aba Expressway, Port Harcourt, Rivers
214	Plot 466/467, Trans Amadi Industrial L/Out, Port Harcourt, Rivers
215	26 Aba Road, UAC Building, Port Harcourt, Rivers
SOKOTO	
216	27 Sani Abacha Way (Old Kano Road), Sokoto
TARABA	
217	73 Hammaruwa Way, Jalingo, Taraba
YOBE	
218	29/32 Bukar Abba Ibrahim Way, Damaturu, Yobe
ZAMFARA	
219	Plot 103, Sani Abacha Way, Gusau, Zamfara

Personal Account Application Form

Affix Passport Photograph Here

This form should be completed in CAPITAL LETTERS.

Category of Account: (Please tick as appropriate)

Joint Account ☐ Fixed Investment Account ☐ Savings Account ☐

Account Type: (Please tick as appropriate)

Current Account ☐ Fixed Deposit Account ☐ Savings Account ☐

Domiciliary Account £ ☐ € ☐ $ ☐ Others ☐

BRANCH ACCOUNT NO. (For official use only)

BANK VERIFICATION ID NO.

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Title First Name

Surname Other Names

Marital Status (Please tick) Single ☐ Married ☐ Other (Please specify) Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) / / Country of Birth

Mother's Maiden Name

Nationality 2nd Nationality

Country of Residence

Permit Issue Date (DD/MM/YYYY) / / Permit Expiry Date (DD/MM/YYYY) / /

L.G.A. State of Origin

Tax Identification No. (TIN) Resident Permit No.

Purpose of Account Religion (Optional)

2. CHILD'S DETAILS

Full Name Other Names

Surname Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) / / Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐

3A. CONTACT DETAILS

House Number Street Name

Nearest Bus Stop/Landmark

City/Town L.G.A.

State

Mailing Address

Phone Number (1) + Phone Number (2) +

Country Code Country Code

Email Address

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3B. FOREIGN ADDRESS (IF ANY)

House Number ☐☐☐☐☐ Street Name ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

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Country Code Country Code

4. VALID MEANS OF IDENTIFICATION

National ID Card ☐ National Driver's Licence ☐ International Passport ☐ INEC Voters Card ☐

Others (Please specify) ☐☐

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ID Expiry Date (DD/MM/YYYY) ☐☐/☐☐/☐☐☐☐

Country of Issuance ☐☐☐

5. ACCOUNT SERVICE(S) REQUIRED (Please tick applicable option below)

Card Preferences: Verve Card ☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa Card ☐ Others (Please specify) ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Electronic Banking Preferences: FCMBOnline ☐ FCMBMobile ☐ ATM ☐ POS ☐

Other Electronic Channels (Fees may apply) (Specify) ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Transaction Alert Preferences: Email Alert (Free) ☐ SMS Alert (Fee applies) ☐

Statement Preferences: Email ☐ Collection at Branch ☐

Statement Frequency: Monthly ☐ Quarterly ☐ Bi-Annually ☐ Annually ☐

Cheque Book Requisition: (Fee applies) Open Cheque ☐ Crossed Cheque ☐ 25 Leaves ☐ 50 Leaves ☐ 100 Leaves ☐

Cheque Confirmation: Would you like to pre-confirm your cheques? Yes ☐ No ☐

Cheque Confirmation Threshold: If yes, please specify the threshold ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

6. EMPLOYMENT DETAILS

Employed ☐ Self-Employed ☐ Unemployed ☐ Retired ☐ Student ☐ Other (Please specify) ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

Date of Employment (If employed) (DD/MM/YYYY) ☐☐/☐☐/☐☐☐☐

Annual Salary/Expected Annual Income: (a) Less than N50,000 ☐ (b) N51,000 – N250,000 ☐

(c) N251,000 – N500,000 ☐ (d) N501,000 – Less than N1 million ☐ (e) N1 million – Less than N5 million ☐

(f) N5 million – Less than N10 million ☐ (g) N10 million – Less than N20 million ☐ (h) Above N20 million ☐

Employer's Name ☐☐

House Number ☐☐☐☐☐ Street Name ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

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State ☐☐

Type of Business/Occupation ☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐☐

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7. DETAILS OF NEXT OF KIN

First Name ____ Other Names ____

Surname ____

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) __/__/____ Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐ Title (Specify) ____

Relationship ____

Phone Number (1) + ____ Phone Number (2) + ____

Country Code Country Code

Email Address ____

House Number ____ Street Name ____

Nearest Bus Stop/Landmark ____

City/Town ____

State ____

8. ADDITIONAL DETAILS

I Name of Beneficial Owner(s) (if any) ____

II Spouse's Name (if applicable) ____

III Spouse's Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) __/__/____

Spouse's Occupation ____

IV Source of Funds to the Account 1. ____

2. ____

V Expected Annual Income from Other Sources ____

VI Name of Associated Business(es) (if any) 1. ____

2. ____

3. ____

VII Type of Business ____

VIII Business Address ____

IX How did you hear about us? TV ☐ Radio ☐ Press ☐ Online ☐ Word of Mouth ☐

Other (please specify) ____

9. ACCOUNT(S) HELD WITH OTHER BANKS

S/N	NAME AND ADDRESS OF BANK/BRANCH	ACCOUNT NAME	ACCOUNT NUMBER	STATUS ACTIVE/DORMANT
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				

Personal Account Application Form (Cont'd)

10. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I/We hereby certify that the information given on this form is correct and that I/We have read, understood and agree with the Account opening terms and conditions governing the selected account(s)

Principal Account Holder's Signature

Mandate/Special Instructions
(Minimum Confirmation Amount/Signature Mandate)

JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDER (PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS IN CAPITAL LETTERS)

Name(s) ____________________

Contact Address ____________________

____

Mobile ____________ Date of Birth ____________

Email Address ____________________

Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐

Joint Account Holder's Signature

Please A–x your Passport Photograph Here

Joint Account Holder

11. DECLARATION:

I hereby apply for the opening of account(s) with First City Monument Bank Limited. I understand that the information given herein and the documents supplied are the basis for opening such account(s) and I therefore warrant that such information is correct.

I further undertake to indemnify the bank of any loss suˆered as a result of any false information or error in the information provided to the Bank.

1. Name ____________________ Signature ____________ Date ____________

1. Name ____________________ Signature ____________ Date ____________

12. JURAT (this should be adopted where the applicant is not literate or is blind and the form is read to him/her by a third party)

I agree to abide by the content of the agreement and acknowledge that it has been truly and audibly read over and explained to me by an interpreter.

Mark of Customer/ Thumbprint

Magistrate/ Commissioner for Oaths

Date ☐☐/☐☐/☐☐☐☐

Name of Interpreter

Address of Interpreter

Phone Number

Language of Interpretation

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