UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020



Extracts of The Financial Statements

The Board of Directors of Tanzania Cigarette Public Limited Company (TCC Plc) is pleased to announce the unaudited results for the six months ended June 30, 2020

Half year performance to June 30, 2020

The impact of COVID-19 on the trading environment, consumer incomes and spending patterns negatively impacted results for the period.

Net sales were TZS 140.1 billion, down 9% compared to a similar period in 2019. This decline was driven by a 14% volume drop and consumer down-trading to cheaper, lower margin brands.

Operating costs declined by 12% to TZS 41.4 billion versus the corresponding period in 2019, reflecting lower sales volume and prudent cost saving initiatives. These cost savings partially off-set the impact of lower net sales on profits.

Gross profit was TZS 73.3 billion, or 15% lower on the corresponding period in 2019. Profit before tax was TZS 31.8 billion and profit after tax was TZS 21.6 billion - a decline of 19% versus a similar period in 2019.

The Company generated TZS 50.6 billion in operating cash flow to June 30, 2020 of which TZS 15 billion was used to pay corporate tax, TZS 2.5 billion was used to pay investment activities and the final gross dividend of TZS 25 billion for the year ended December 31, 2019.

Prospects to December 31, 2020

Going forward, the primary focus remains the safety of our employees, business continuity and recovery preparedness. Some positive signs of recovery are emerging as trading conditions return to normal, supported by fiscal and monetary measures announced by the government in June, 2020.

Dividend

The Board of Directors has approved an interim gross dividend of TZS 250 per share for the half year ended June 30, 2020 (June 30, 2019: TZS 300 per share). The dividend will be paid less 5% withholding tax on or about October 07, 2020. Shares will trade cum-dividend until September 07, 2020.

I wish to thank all stakeholders for their continued support to TCC Plc. I look forward to updating shareholders on the full year performance in early 2021.

Condensed statement of comprehensive income for the six months ended June 30, 2020 (Unaudited)						
	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019	%			
	TZS M	TZS M				
Gross turnover	237,547	264,686	-10%			
VAT	(33,667)	(36,920)	-9%			
Revenue	203,880	227,766	-10%			
Excise duty	(63,746)	(73,878)	-14%			
Net sales	140,134	153,888	-9%			
Cost of sales	(66,829)	(67,564)	-1%			
Gross profit	73,305	86,324	-15%			
Operating expenses	(41,471)	(47,104)	-12%			
Profit before tax	31,834	39,220	-19%			
Income tax expense	(10,217)	(12,522)	-18%			
Profit after tax	21,617	26,698	-19%			
Earning per share						
Basic and diluted (TZS per share)	216.17	226.98				

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Condensed statement of cash flows for the six months ended June 30, 2020 (Unaudited)							
	June 30, 2020	June 30, 2019					
	TZS M	TZS M					
Cash generated from operations	50,604	79,845					
Interest received	709	1,045					
Defined benefit paid	(978)	(98)					
Interest paid	(15)	(85)					
Taxation paid	(14,849)	(13,489)					
Net cash generated by operating activities	35,471	67,218					
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,528)	(6,207)					
Net cash used in financing activities	(25,285)	(25,000)					
Net decrease in cash and bank balances	7,658	36,011					

27.771

35,429

20.351

56,362

Cash and bank balances at beginning of period

Cash and bank balances at end of period

Condensed statement of financial position as at June 30, 2020 (Unaudited)						
	June 30, 2020	December 31, 2019				
	TZS M	TZS M				
Assets						
Non-current assets	94,502	97,824				
Working capital:						
Current assets	178,853	170,512				
Current liabilities	(74,334)	(66,511)				
Net working capital	104,519	104,001				
Total assets	199,021	201,825				
Capital and reserves						
Share capital	2,000	2,000				
Retained earnings	175,885	179,269				
Defined benefit reserves	5,872	5,872				
Shareholders' equity	183,757	187,141				
Non-current liabilities	15,264	14,684				
Total equity and liabilities	199,021	201,825				

Condensed statement of changes in equity for the six months ended June 30, 2020 (Unaudited)						
	Share capital	Defined benefit reserves	Retained earnings	Total		
	TZS M	TZS M	TZS M	TZS M		
At January 1, 2019	2,000	5,173	183,021	190,194		
Profit for the period	-	-	51,248	51,248		
Other comprehensive income	-	699	-	699		
Total	2,000	5,872	234,269	242,141		
Dividend paid (Final 2018 and Interim 2019)	-	-	(55,000)	(55,000)		
Balance as at Dec 31, 2019	2,000	5,872	179,269	187,141		
At January 1, 2020	2,000	5,872	179,269	187,141		
Profit for the period	-	-	21,617	21,617		
Total	2,000	5,872	200,886	208,758		
Final dividend paid 2019	-	-	(25,000)	(25,000)		
Balance as of June 30, 2020	2,000	5,872	175,886	183,758		

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