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JSE Limited (Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa) (Registration number: 2005/022939/06) Share code: JSE ISIN: ZAE000079711 LEI: 213800MZ1VUQEBWRF039 ("JSE" or "the Group")

Unreviewed Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024

"The JSE delivered a stable performance in H1 2024 with 4.2% growth in operating income and net profit after tax flat at R492.7 million, despite lower equity trading activity (down 12% YOY) and a challenging economic environment. These results reflect the benefit of diversification across our business segments and asset classes, alongside progress in growing non-trading revenue.

After a slow start to 2024, value traded in our equity market recovered in Q2 with the trend extending into July. Higher trading activity has been underpinned by positive market sentiment stemming from the outcome of the National Elections and the formation of the Government of National Unity (GNU).

Overall we are pleased with the progress we have made as we continue to improve our infrastructure performance over time through innovation and collaboration."

- Leila Fourie, Group CEO

Overview of results

Net profit after tax (NPAT) was flat at R492.7 million. Headline earnings per share (HEPS) decreased marginally by 0.2% year-on-year (YoY) to 606.0 cents. The Group continues to be cash generative, with net cash generated from operations of R502.6 million (2023: R487.9 million), up 3%.

The Group's operating income was up 4.2% to R1.5 billion, supported by the diversified business segments and asset classes. Most business segments reported growth in revenue for the period, with JSE Investor Services (JIS) revenue up 28.9%, commodity derivatives revenue up 24.7%, and revenue from bonds and interest rate trading up 7.8% YoY. The JSE increased the proportion of its revenue derived from non-trading activity by 1.8 percentage points YoY to 38.6% (non-trading income of R593.4 million).

Total operating expenditure increased by 6.4% YoY to R1.0 billion.

Interest rates supported higher net finance income, which increased by 36.5% YoY to R103 million.

Capital expenditure of R29 million (2023: R33 million) remains focused on protecting the core business as well as growing new business lines.

The Group maintains a robust balance sheet and a cash position of R1.8 billion as at 30 June 2024 (excluding bond investments of R485.3 million). Ring-fenced and non-distributable cash and bonds (regulatory capital and investor protection funds) amounted to R1.34 billion.

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R million (unless stated otherwise)	H1 2024	H1 2023	% change
Revenue	1 476	1 415	4.3%
Net margin and collateral ¹	61	60	2.1%
Operating income ²	1 537	1 475	4.2%
Other income	27	39	(32.3%)
Total income	1 563	1 514	3.3%
Personnel expenses	362	344	5.2%
Other expenses	546	506	7.9%
Depreciation and amortisation	103	99	3.7%
Total expenditure	1 010	949	6.4%
Earnings before interest and tax (EBIT)	553	565	(2.1%)
Net finance income ²	103	76	36.5%
Income tax expense	182	177	3.1%
Net profit after tax (NPAT)	493	493	0.0%
Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation			
and amortisation (EBITDA)	656	664	(1.3%)
EBITDA margin ³	42%	44%	(2 pts)
Profit before income tax and incentives (PBITI)	585	617	(5.2%)
Earnings per share (EPS) (cents)	606.0	602.0	0.7%
Headline earnings per share (HEPS) (cents)	606.0	607.2	(0.2%)
Net cash generated from operations	503	488	3.0%
Capital expenditure (CAPEX)	29	33	(12.1%)

¹ Income earned on margin and collateral deposits largely for JSE Clear.

Business highlights

The JSE made steady progress on its strategic and operational priorities in H1 2024. Highlights include:

Protecting the core business

- o Resilient operational processes and uptime across our markets.
- o Progressing the modernisation of our BDA system.
- o Further enhancements to Listings Requirements.

Transforming the business

- o Increased the number of new customers in JIS (+6) with H1 revenue growth of 28.9%.
- o Delivering the Information Services growth strategy:
 - » On track to complete core market data to the cloud transition by the end of the year; and
 - » Expanding analytics-as-a-service capabilities to global exchanges and their ecosystems.
- o Expanding cloud-based colocation services.
- o Developing the central clearing for the bond electronic trading platform (ETP) through JSE Clear (Bond CCP).
- o Growth in sustainability products and actively managed Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) and certificates: Eight new sustainability bonds (total:76 bonds), three new actively managed certificates, and two new actively managed ETFs.

² Margin income was reclassified from net finance income to operating income (H1 2024: R60.9 million and H1 2023: R59.6 million) in terms of Group accounting policy, following the licensing of JSE Clear as an independent clearing house on 1 January 2023. The alignment is in accordance with industry best practice.

³ Margin income included in operating income.

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Financial performance

Revenue performance per segment

R million (unless stated otherwise)	H1 2024	H1 2023	% change
Capital markets ¹	529	530	0.0%
Primary Market	87	83	5.9%
Equity Trading	212	241	(12.0%)
Colocation Fees	24	20	16.9%
Equity Derivatives Trading	58	59	(1.2%)
Bond and Interest Rate Trading	50	46	7.8%
Currency Derivatives Trading	20	18	9.8%
Commodity Derivatives Trading	46	37	24.7%
JSE Investor Services (JIS)	121	94	28.9%
Post-Trade Services	447	454	(1.6%)
Clearing and Settlement	197	221	(10.9%)
Back-office services (BDA)	203	181	12.0%
Funds under management	48	53	(9.8%)
JSE Clear	60	53	13.2%
Information Services	242	227	6.6%
Other income	27	18	50.0%

Capital markets revenue includes Issuer Services, JSE Private Placements and investor protection levy revenue. For illustrative purposes investor protection levy revenue has been reclassified from other income to capital markets revenue for H1 2023.

Operating expenditure

Total operating expenditure increased by 6.4% YoY.

- o Personnel costs reflect largely annual salary increases.
- Technology costs increased due to our investment in strategic initiatives, including Information Services cloud initiatives and inflationary and foreign exchange impact on related licence costs.
- o Regulatory, compliance costs and other fees were higher due to an increase in FSCA levies (annualised as they were only introduced in April 2023).

Net finance income

Net finance income: +36.5% YoY, owing to higher yields on the JSE's cash balances.

Cash flows, investments and capital allocation

The Group continued to be cash generative, with net cash generated from operations of R502.6 million (2023: R487.9 million). At the end of June 2024, the cash balance stood at R1.8 billion (2023: R1.9 billion), excluding the bond investment of R485.3 million.

Capital expenditure totalled R29 million (2023: R33 million) and was largely focused on protecting and growing the core business, with an expected pickup in capital expenditure activity in the second half of the year. All planned investments and capital requirements for 2024 can be funded from the Group's cash resources.

In accordance with a general authority granted by shareholders, the Company initiated a share repurchase in June 2024 as part of an ongoing programme to return surplus cash to shareholders. A total of 522 109 ordinary shares were repurchased, representing 0.6% of the Company's issued share capital.

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Regulation

In compliance with the Financial Markets Act, 19 of 2012 (FMA), the JSE and JSE Clear are required to hold regulatory capital.

The Group calculates and holds regulatory capital in the form of equity capital, which amounted to R876.2 million in total for JSE Limited and JSE Clear. The JSE and JSE Clear are adequately capitalised.

Future focus and prospects

The JSE delivered a stable performance and has benefitted from interest rates in the form of net finance income but has faced strong headwinds from the balance of macro-economic, local political and geopolitical challenges. This includes the continued shift in capital flows as local investors have sought foreign assets and global investors reduced their South African exposure. The improved sentiment post-elections bodes well for a more positive outcome for the macro-economy.

Our core businesses remain resilient despite the challenging environment and our JSE Investor Services and Information Services businesses have delivered expected growth on the back of management focus and investment. We remain on track to deliver on our Group's strategy to position the JSE as a diversified and sustainable exchange, leveraging technology, expanding our range of products and services, entering new markets, providing fair and transparent regulation, and strengthening our operational capabilities. The Group will continue to exercise sound judgement in its investments to ensure the sustainability of the business.

H2 2024 priorities include:

- o Invest in the core business to enhance and grow operations. This includes innovating and modernising legacy systems with the transformation of BDA.
- o Continue diversification of revenue.
- o Progress our growth strategy for Information Services, formulated on a five-year horizon.
- o Continue to manage the Group's cost base prudently.

2024 guidance:

- o OPEX growth: 5% 8%
- o CAPEX: R145 million R165 million
- o Dividend policy: 67% 100% pay-out ratio

The Group's external auditors have not reviewed or reported on financial forecasts.

Changes to the Board

During the period under review, and as previously announced Ms Nolitha Fakude, independent non-executive director, retired from the Board effective 5 January 2024. Ms Fakude joined the Board in November 2017 and served as chairman of the Group Remuneration Committee and as a member of the Group Sustainability Committee during her tenure. As part of a planned succession, Ms Faith Khanyile assumed chairmanship of the Group Remuneration Committee from 5 January 2024.

Directors' responsibility statement

The directors are responsible for the preparation and presentation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), International Accounting Standard (IAS) 34 Interim Financial Reporting, the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) Financial Reporting Guides as issued by the Accounting Practices Committee, the Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council and the requirements of the Companies Act, 71 of 2008 (as amended) (the Companies Act). The directors are also responsible for such internal controls as the directors determine to be necessary to enable the preparation of interim financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether owing to fraud or error.

Preparation of unreviewed results announcement

This announcement covers the unreviewed condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2024 as prepared in accordance with IFRS. The preparation of these condensed consolidated financial statements has been supervised by the Group Chief Financial Officer, Fawzia Suliman CA(SA), in terms of section 29(1)(e) of the Companies Act.

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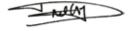
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Approval of financial statements

The unreviewed condensed consolidated financial statements for the six months ended 30 June 2024 were approved by the Board on 6 August 2024 and signed by:



Phuthuma Nhleko

Chairman

Leila Fourie

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7 August 2024

About the JSE

The JSE is a self-regulatory, multi-asset-class stock exchange that offers listings, trading, clearing and settlement (post-trade) services, Information Services, Issuer Services and JSE Investor Services. The JSE connects buyers and sellers in five financial markets: equities, equity derivatives, commodity derivatives, currency derivatives and interest rate instruments. The JSE provides investors with a trusted, cost-effective, and well-regulated infrastructure for trading, clearing and settling financial market transactions. The JSE is among the 20 largest exchanges in the world in terms of market capitalisation. The JSE also offers Private Placements, which supports private markets by providing a forum to raise equity and debt through an automated and digitised platform and a Voluntary Carbon Market.

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			GROUP		
		6 month 30 J		Year ended 31 December	
	Notes	2024 R'000	2023* R'000	2023 R'000	
Revenue** Other net income** Margin and collateral deposit interest income Margin and collateral deposit interest expense Personnel expenses	13 14	1 475 788 26 526 2 333 358 (2 272 470) (362 039)	1 415 037 39 155 2 275 358 (2 215 734) (343 996)	2 814 472 29 599 4 779 218 (4 650 990) (783 792)	
Other expenses Expected credit loss (ECL) impairments	15 20	(644 411) (3 772)	(602 187) (2 516)	(1 250 629) (4 490)	
Profit from operating activities		552 980	565 116	933 388	
Finance income Finance costs		108 784 (5 702)	85 242 (9 733)	187 112 (18 223)	
Net finance income		103 082	75 509	168 889	
Share of profit from associate (net of income tax)		19 029	29 122	38 720	
Profit before income tax Income tax expense	16	675 091 (182 401)	669 748 (176 957)	1 140 997 (310 018)	
Profit for the period		492 690	492 791	830 979	
Attributable to: Equity holders of the parent		492 690	492 791	830 979	
Other comprehensive income Change in financial instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified to profit or loss (net of tax) Change in financial instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income that may be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods (net of tax)		(19 721) 6 444	79 805 245	82 913 4 836	
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of income tax		(13 277)	80 050	87 749	
Total comprehensive income for the period		479 413	572 841	918 728	
Attributable to:		4,7410	0,2011	710720	
Equity holders of the parent company		479 413	572 841	918 728	
Basic earnings per share (cents) Diluted earnings per share (cents)	17.1 17.2	606.0 594.3	602.0 593.9	1 019.3 1 001.9	

^{*} Restated, refer to note 12.

^{**} The 31 December 2023 published and 30 June 2024 interim results include the reclassification of Investor protection levy (IPL) income as a result of the change in pricing policy. The FSCA levy cost is recovered as part of the transaction price for services rendered to the end user client and therefore form part of revenue. The IPL income was included as part of Other income in the period ended June 2023.

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		GROUP	
		6 months ended 30 June	
Notes	2024 R'000	2023 R'000	2023 R'000
Assets Non-current assets	2 264 751	2 080 849	2 153 473
Property and equipment Intangible assets Investment in associate Other investments Right-of-use-assets Deferred taxation	143 669 648 388 342 078 1 070 565 41 805 18 246	133 801 678 123 337 541 812 894 78 685 39 805	173 767 674 863 347 139 863 962 59 722 34 020
Current assets	53 051 620	59 881 646	57 636 937
Trade and other receivables Income tax receivable JSE Clear Derivatives Default Fund collateral deposits Margin deposits Collateral deposits Cash and cash equivalents	958 768 - 500 000 49 780 701 2 007 1 810 144	904 013 638 500 000 56 588 471 280 1 888 244	830 619 3 224 500 000 53 998 628 703 2 303 763
Total assets	55 316 371	61 962 495	59 790 410

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		GROUP	
	6 month 30 c		Year ended 31 December
Notes	2024	2023	2023
	R'000	R'000	R'000
Equity and liabilities Total equity	4 135 008	4 043 519	4 386 147
Stated capital (net of treasury shares) Reserves 22 Retained earnings	(230 905)	(174 036)	(165 612)
	855 488	852 878	846 282
	3 510 425	3 364 677	3 705 477
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent Non-current liabilities	4 135 008	4 043 519	4 386 147
	69 730	150 648	116 008
Employee benefits Deferred taxation Lease liability Deferred income	2 986	2 704	7 212
	27 406	29 815	28 610
	14 480	94 676	55 713
	24 858	23 453	24 473
Current liabilities	51 111 633	57 768 328	55 288 255
Trade and other payables Income tax payable Deferred income Employee benefits 19 Lease liability 24 JSE Clear Derivatives Default Fund collateral contribution Margin deposits Collateral deposits	768 155	640 815	639 478
	8 593	11 171	4 054
	2 522	2 297	2 455
	68 276	60 750	174 168
	81 379	64 544	68 769
	400 000	400 000	400 000
	49 780 701	56 588 471	53 998 628
	2 007	280	703
Total equity and liabilities	55 316 371	61 962 494	59 790 410

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Notes	Stated capital (net of treasury shares) ³ s R'000	NDR R'000	Share-based payments reserve R'000	Fair value reserve² R'000	Total reserves R'000	Retained earnings R'000	Total equity R'000
Group]		
Balance at 1 January 2023	(118 697)	685 983	70 319	(1 652)	754 650	3 537 194	4 173 147
Profit for the period	_	_	_	_	_	492 791	492 791
Other comprehensive income	_	44 251	_	35 799	80 050	-	80 050
Total comprehensive income for the period	_	44 251	_	35 799	80 050	492 791	572 841
LTIS 2018 Allocation 2 – shares vested	6 666	-	(6 666)	-	(6 666)	-	_
LTIS 2018 Allocation 3 – shares vested	8 901	_	(8 901)	_	(8 901)	_	_
Distribution from the JSE Debt Guarantee Fund Trust ¹	_	(2 701)	_	_	(2 701)	2 701	_
Dividends declared to owners	_	16 377	_	_	16 377	(662 402)	(646 025)
Equity-settled share-based payment	_	_	14 462	_	14 462	-	14 462
Transfer of profit to investor protection funds	_	5 607		_	5 607	(5 607)	_
Treasury shares – acquisitions ⁴	(79 260)	_	_	_	_	-	(79 260)
Treasury shares – sales	8 776	_	_	_	_	-	8 776
Treasury shares – transaction costs	(422)	_	_	_	_	-	(422)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners of the Group recognised directly in equity	(55 339)	19 283	(1 105)	_	18 178	(665 308)	(702 468)

Note 22

¹ The JSE Debt Guarantee Fund Trust Deed makes specific provision for the utilisation of excess funds for the purpose of reducing the risk of claims being made against the Trust. To this effect, R3.1 million (June 2023: R2.7 million December 2023: R5.8 million) before intercompany adjustments was transferred to the JSE Limited to defray market regulatory expenditure.

² This reserve relates to the equity investment in Globacap Technology Limited net of deferred tax. Refer to note 25 for details on this transaction.

³ Debit balance due to treasury shares held by the JSE empowerment trust, shares held to facilitate the settlement of Long-Term Incentive Schemes and general shares bought back.

⁴ Shares acquired at an average price of R97.46 (June and December 2023: R104.73). The total treasury share purchases comprise of R70.6 million (June 2023: 79.3 million; December 2023: nil) acquired to facilitate the settlement of LTIS allocation awarded and accepted by employees in March of each period.

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Notes	Stated capital (net of treasury shares) ³ R'000	NDR R'000	Share-based payments reserve R'000	Fair value reserve² R'000	Total reserves R'000	Retained earnings R'000	Total equity R'000
Balance at 30 June 2023	(174 036)	749 517	69 214	34 147	852 878	3 364 677	4 043 519
	, ,	, 15 017					
Profit for the year	_	-	_	(00.007)	7.600	338 188	338 188
Other comprehensive income	_	29 986		(22 287)	7 699	_	7 699
Total comprehensive income for the year	_	29 986	_	(22 287)	7 699	338 188	345 888
LTIS 2018 Allocation 2 – shares vested	8 882	ı	(18 166)	-	(18 166)	_	(9 284)
LTIS 2018 Allocation 3 – shares vested	(981)	_	981	-	981	_	_
Distribution from the JSE Debt Guarantee Fund Trust ¹	-	(3 071)	_	-	(3 071)	3 071	_
Equity-settled share-based payment	_	_	5 502	-	5 502	_	5 502
Transfer of profit to investor protection funds	_	6 083	_	-	6 083	(6 083)	_
Transfer off Listed companies fines income – Issuer Regulation	-	35	_	-	35	(35)	_
Transfer of qualifying deductible expenses related to Fines – Issuer Regulation	_	(5 659)	_	_	(5 659)	5 659	_
Treasury shares – sales	525		_	_		_	525
Treasury shares – transaction costs	(1)	_	_	-	_	-	(1)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners of the Group recognised directly in equity	8 425	(2 612)	(11 683)	-	(14 295)	2 612	(3 259)

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Notes	Stated capital (net of treasury shares) ³ R'000	NDR R'000	Share-based payments reserve R'000	Fair value reserve ² R'000	Total reserves R'000	Retained earnings R'000	Total equity R'000
Balance at 31 December 2023	(165 612)	776 891	57 531	11 860	846 282	3 705 477	4 386 147
Datalice at 31 December 2023	(103 012)	770091	37 331	11 800	040 202	3 703 477	4 300 147
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	492 690	492 690
Other comprehensive income	-	14 635		(27 912)	(13 277)	-	(13 277)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	14 635	-	(27 912)	(13 277)	492 690	479 413
LTIS 2018 Allocation 3 – shares vested	8 760	_	(8 760)	_	(8 760)	_	_
LTIS 2018 Allocation 4 – shares vested	13 465	_	(13 465)	_	(13 465)	_	_
Distribution from the JSE Debt Guarantee Fund Trust ¹	_	(3 066)	` _	_	(3 066)	3 066	_
Dividends declared to owners	_	16 696	_	_	16 696	(676 547)	(659 851)
Equity-settled share-based payment	_	_	16 817	-	16 817		16 817
Transfer of profit to investor protection funds	_	7 588	_	-	7 588	(7 588)	_
Transfer of Listed companies - Fines - Issuer Regulation	_	7 300	_	-	7 300	(7 300)	_
Transfer of qualifying deductible expenses related to Fines – Issuer Regulation	_	(627)	_	_	(627)	627	_
Treasury shares – acquisitions ⁴	(127 085)	` _	_	_	` _	_	(127 085)
Treasury shares – sales	40 230	_	_	_	_	_	40 230
Treasury shares – transaction costs	(663)	_	-	-	_	_	(663)
Total contributions by and distributions to owners of the Group recognised directly in equity	(65 293)	27 891	(5 408)	-	22 483	(687 742)	(730 552)
Balance at 30 June 2024	(230 905)	819 417	52 123	(16 052)	855 488	3 510 425	4 135 008

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	GROUP	
	6 months ended 30 June	Year ended 31 December
	2024 2023 R'000 R'000	
Cash flows from operating activities Cash generated by operations Finance income received Finance costs paid Dividends received Taxation paid	481 741 510 176 2 475 397 2 348 839 (2 303 840) (2 207 483 3 490 3 240 (154 152) (166 829	4 927 630 (4 630 488) 0 6 730
Net cash generated by operating activities	502 636 487 943	3 1 111 133
Cash flows from investing activities Proceeds from sale of other investments Acquisition of other investments Dividends from associate Proceeds from disposal of property and equipment Acquisition of leasehold improvements Acquisition of intangible assets Acquisition of other property and equipment Debt instrument: Globacap SAFE note Net cash used in investing activities	20 387 171 599 (236 885) (233 484 24 089 20 570 16 1' - (2 813 (22 655) (31 344) (5 532) (1 47) - (220 580) (76 934)	(4) (466 775) 20 570
Cash flows from financing activities Acquisition of treasury shares* Proceeds on sale of treasury shares* Lease liabilities repaid Dividends paid	(127 747) (79 682 40 230 8 776 (28 623) (31 05- (659 842) (646 02)	2) (79 682) 5 9 300 4) (65 792) 5) (646 025)
Net cash used in financing activities	(747 982) (747 985)	<u> </u>
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held	(493 926) (336 976 2 303 763 2 223 16 307 2 050	2 223 161
Cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2024	1 810 144 1 888 244	1 2 303 763

^{*} Largely relates to acquisition and sale of shares held to facilitate the settlement of Long-Term Incentive Scheme.

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1. Reporting entity

JSE Limited (the "JSE" or the "Company") is a company domiciled in South Africa. Its registration number is 2005/022939/06. The JSE is licensed as an exchange in terms of the Financial Markets Act 2012 ("FMA"). The JSE has the following main lines of business: Capital Markets, Post-Trade Services and Information Services. The address of the Company's registered office is One Exchange Square, 2 Gwen Lane, Sandown. The condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Company as at and for the six months ended 30 June 2024 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries and controlled structured entities (collectively referred to as the "Group" and individually as "Group entities") and reflect the Group's interest in associates.

2. Basis of preparation

2.1 Statement of compliance

The condensed consolidated financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board, interpretations issued by the IFRS Interpretations Committee (IFRS Committee), IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting, the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA) financial reporting guides as issued by the Accounting Practice Committee, the SAICA Headline Earnings Circular 1/2023, the Financial Pronouncements as issued by the Financial Reporting Standards Council, the JSE Listings Requirements and the requirements of the Companies Act, 2008.

3. Changes in accounting policies

The condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all the information and disclosures required in the annual financial statements, and should be read in conjunction with the Group's annual financial statements as at 31 December 2023. The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the condensed interim consolidated financial statements are consistent with those followed in the preparation of the Group's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023, except for the adoption of the new standards effective as of 1 January 2024.

New standards and amendments that impact on the Group's accounting policies have been assessed during the period, and these have had no material impact on the Group's financial statements. The Group has not early adopted any standard, interpretation or amendment that has been issued but is not yet effective. Refer to note 8 for new standards and interpretations not yet adopted.

Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to IFRS 16) – effective date: 1 January 2024

The amendments clarify how a seller-lessee subsequently measures sale and leaseback transactions that satisfy the requirements in IFRS 15 to be accounted for as a sale. There is no material impact for the Group as a result of this amendment.

Classification of liabilities as Current or Non-current and Non-current Liabilities with Covenants (Amendments to IAS 1) – effective date: 1 January 2024

The amendment is to clarify how conditions with which an entity must comply within twelve months after the reporting period, affect the classification of a liability. There is no material impact for the Group as a result of this amendment.



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3. Changes in accounting policies continued

Supplier Finance Arrangements (Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7) – effective date 1 January 2024

The amendments add disclosure requirements, and 'signposts' within existing disclosure requirements, that ask entities to provide qualitative and quantitative information about supplier finance arrangements. There is no material impact for the Group as a result of this amendment.

4. Comparative figures

Unless otherwise indicated, comparative figures refer to the six months ended 30 June 2023 and the year ended 31 December 2023.

5. Use of estimates and judgements

The preparation of financial statements are in conformity with IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. 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. Judgements and estimates are consistent with those in the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2023.

6. Operating segment

The Group determines and presents segments based on the information used to run the business by the Executive Committee (Exco).

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 that relate to transactions with any of the Group's other components. Costs in the JSE are managed holistically across the Exchange and variances against budget are closely monitored. Revenue results as disclosed in note 13 are reviewed regularly by the entity's chief operating decision makers (Exco) to make key decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and assess its performance. Costs are not allocated to the individual segments and are reviewed by Exco as a single unit.

The holistic cost centre segment does not meet the definition of an operating segment as it does not earn revenues and thus not disclosed in these financial statements.

7. Financial risk management

The Group's financial risk management objectives and policies are consistent with those disclosed in the consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2023 with additional disclosures included for financial instruments acquired in the current year.

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8. New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

A new standard has been issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) prior to the publication of these financial statements, but are effective in future accounting periods, as listed below:

Lack of exchangeability (Amendments to IAS 21) – Effective 1 January 2025

The amendments contain guidance to specify when a currency is exchangeable and how to determine the exchange rate when it is not. The Group is not expecting a material impact as a result of the amendment.

Classification and measurement of financial instruments (Amendments IFRS 9 and IFRS 7) – Effective 1 January 2026

The amendments address matters identified during the post-implementation review of the classification and measurement requirements of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments. The impact of the amendment is still to be assessed.

Presentation and Disclosures in Financial Statements (New IFRS 18 standard) – Effective 1 January 2027

IFRS 18 includes requirements for all entities applying IFRS for the presentation and disclosure of information in financial statements. The impact of the amendment is still to be assessed.

Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures (New IFRS 19 standard) – Effective 1 January 2027

IFRS 19 specifies the disclosure requirements an eligible subsidiary is permitted to apply instead of the disclosure requirements in other IFRS Accounting Standards. The impact of the amendment is still to be assessed.

9. 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.

The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either: In the principal market for the asset or liability or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability.

The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

The Group uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- o Level 1 Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- o Level 2 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- o Level 3 Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable



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10. Financial assets and financial liabilities

A financial instrument is any contract that gives rise to a financial asset of one entity and a financial liability or equity instrument of another entity.

Financial assets

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, as subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI), and fair value through profit or loss (FVPL).

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the Group's business model for managing them.

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI) – debt instruments

The Group's investments in debt securities are classified as fair value through OCI financial assets and this relates to the investor protection fund investments and South African Government Bonds held by the JSE Limited. The principal objective of holding these investments are to collect contractual cash flows and selling these investments in accordance with the relevant mandates. The contractual terms of these investments gives rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest. Fair value gains and losses relating to debt instruments are subsequently classified to profit or loss upon realisation of the investment.

Impairment losses on monetary items such as debt securities and foreign exchange gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss. Translation differences included in fair value adjustment are recognised in other comprehensive income. When these investments are derecognised, the cumulative gain or loss previously recognised in OCI is transferred to profit or loss. Where these investments are interest-bearing, interest calculated using the effective interest method is recognised in profit or loss. Refer to note 25 (Other investments) for the financial assets classified as fair value through OCI.

Financial assets continued

Initial recognition and measurement continued

Financial assets designated at fair value through OCI – equity instruments

Upon initial recognition, the Group can elect to classify irrevocably its equity investments as equity instruments designated at FVOCI when they meet the definition of equity under IAS 32 Financial Instruments: Presentation and are not held for trading. The classification is determined on an instrument-by-instrument basis.

Gains and losses on these financial assets are never recycled to profit or loss. Dividends are recognised as other income in the statement of profit or loss when the right of payment has been established. Equity instruments designated at FVOCI are not subject to impairment assessment.

The Group elected to classify irrevocably its non-listed equity investment in Globacap under this category. Refer to note 25 for more detail.

Financial assets at amortised cost

For debt instruments, the business model test and cash flow characteristics of solely payments of principal and interest (SPPI) test is applied by the Group in determining the category which best applies to the financial instruments that it holds and or trades. Under the business model test the Group determines the objective for which it holds the financial instrument. Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent SPPI are measured at amortised cost.

Financial assets at amortised cost are subsequently measured using the effective interest method and are subject to impairment. Gains and losses are recognised in profit or loss when the asset is derecognised, modified or impaired. Other non-derivative financial instruments classified at amortised cost include trade and other receivables, contributions in JSE Clear Derivatives Default Fund (Pty) Limited, trade and other payables, cash and cash equivalents, amounts due to and from Group companies, and margin and collateral deposits.

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Financial assets continued

Initial recognition and measurement continued

Fair value through profit or loss

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in the statement of comprehensive income. This category includes investment in the Globacap SAFE note (note 25) included in comparative periods.

A financial asset is primarily derecognised when:

- o the rights to receive cash flows from the asset has expired; or
- o the Group has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset.

11. Basis of consolidation and financial information on material partly-owned subsidiaries

The condensed consolidated financial statements comprise the financial statements of the Company and its subsidiaries as at 30 June 2024. Control is achieved when the Group is exposed, or has rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investee. Specifically, the Group controls an investee if, and only if, the Group has:

- o Power over the investee (i.e. existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee)
- o Exposure, or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee
- o The ability to use its power over the investee to affect its returns

The Group re-assesses whether or not it controls an investee if facts and circumstances indicate that there are changes to one or more of the three elements of control.

Consolidation of a subsidiary begins when the Group obtains control over the subsidiary and ceases when the Group loses control of the subsidiary.

Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of a subsidiary acquired or disposed of during the year are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date the Group gains control until the date the Group ceases to control the subsidiary.

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

12. Change in the statement of comprehensive income (SOCI) presentation

Due to the change in the JSE Clear operations, the presentation of margin and collateral deposit interest income and interest expense was changed for the period ended 31 December 2023 to be separately presented in the Statement of Comprehensive Income above "Profit from operating activities before net finance income.

JSE Clear only serviced the JSE prior to the change, and as a result the amount was previously disclosed as part of finance income and finance expenses in the SOCI below "Profit from operating activities before net finance income". JSE Clear (Pty) Ltd commenced operations as an independent clearing house from 1 January 2023 and is now viewed as an income generating centre from a Group perspective. This resulted in the income earned from margin and collateral deposits supporting a substantial part of the Group operations. Management has therefore presented operational income from margin and collateral deposits separately to provide more relevant information, as the activities involved in generating net margin and collateral interest income differ from interest earned on own fund accounts.

The voluntary change in the presentation policy was accounted for in terms of IAS 1 and comparatives are restated in terms of IAS 8 as a change in accounting policy for comparability. The presentation change had no impact on profits for the year, statement of cash flow or statement of financial position.

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12. Change in the statement of comprehensive income (SOCI) presentation continued

Restatement impact on the prior year figures:

	30	June 2023 (R'000)
	Previously presented	Adjustment	Restated
Group Margin and collateral interest income Margin and collateral interest expense	- -	2 275 358 (2 215 734)	2 275 358 (2 215 734)
Profit from operating activities before net finance income	_	59 624	59 624
Finance income Finance costs	2 360 600 (2 225 467)	(2 275 358) 2 215 734	85 242 (9 733)
Net finance income	135 133	(59 624)	75 509

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	6 months ended 30 June		Year ended 31 December	
			2023 R'000	
Revenue				
Revenue from contracts with clients comprise:				
Capital markets				
Bond Electronic Trading Platform (ETP)	5 048	4 908	9 02	
Colocation fees	23 753 20	327 42	12 61	
Commodity derivatives fees	45 949 30	5 847 79	79 68	
Issuer services fees	4 547	4 749 10	0 82	
Currency derivatives fees			36 69	
Equity derivatives fees			6 90	
Equity market fees*	236 487 24	1 098 487	37 61	
Interest rate market fees			35 44	
Primary market fees**			51 32	
JSE Private Placement fees	570	427 1	1 19	
SME development revenue	1 860	_	89	
JSE Investor Services fees	121 336 94	4 130 190	90 10	
Post-trade services				
Clearing and settlement fees	196 640 220	579 411	1 33	
Back-office services (BDA)	202 682 18	1 044 368	8 33	
Funds under management	47 677 53	2 860 103	3 71	
JSE Clear	60 451 55	3 044 111	1 94	
Information services				
Index fees	47 925 4	4 417 80	30 12	
Market data fees	193 904 183	2 832 368	8 28	
Total revenue excluding Strate ad valorem fees – cash equities and bonds***	1 399 568 1 338	3 246 2 666	6 04	
Strate ad valorem fees – cash equities			27 47	
Strate ad valorem fees – bonds	10 824 10	0 608 20	20 9	
	1 475 788 1 41	5 037 2 814	44	

The 31 December 2023 published and 30 June 2024 results include the reclassification of Investor protection levy (IPL) income as a result of the change in pricing policy. The IPL levy cost is recovered as part of the transaction price for services rendered to the end user client and therefore form part of revenue. The IPL income was included as part of 0ther income in the period ended 30 June 2023.

An amount of R1.2 million (June 2023: R1.07 million, December 2023: R2.5 million) gain was recognised in Primary market fees relating to initial listing fees for the current year.

The Strate ad valorem stream of income is evaluated in conjunction with the directly attributable cost included in note 15.

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		6 months ended 30 June		Year ended 31 December
		2024 R'000	2023 R'000	2023 R'000
14.	Personnel expenses Remuneration expenses	339 158	321 700	745 759
	Gross remuneration paid Less: Capitalised to intangible assets	342 408 (3 250)	326 444 (4 744)	755 768 (10 009)
	Long-term incentive schemes*	22 881	22 296	38 033
		362 039	343 996	783 792

^{*} Includes the accounting impact of accelerated LTIS for good leavers and bad leavers adjustments; and also includes the critical skills cash scheme expense amounting to R6.1 million (June 2023: R7.8 million; December 2023: R18.1 million).

		6 months ended 30 June	
	2024	2023	2023
	R'000	R'000	R'000
. Other expenses			
Amortisation of intangible assets	49 130	49 252	104 866
Auditor's remuneration	8 804	4 207	13 834
Consulting fees	10 701	8 187	8 073
Depreciation	53 547	49 715	102 556
Enterprise development	3 768	4 511	8 646
Write off/Impairment of intangible asset**	-	105	5 824
Write off/Impairment of PPE**	_	5 665	5 665
Investor protection levy	43 841	33 124	79 702
Other expenses*	192 119	196 384	392 345
Strate ad valorem fees	74 350	74 455	144 125
Technology costs	208 151	176 581	384 993
	644 411	602 188	1 250 629

Other expenses comprises mainly of administration fees, legal and professional fees, marketing and advertising, swift charges, travelling expenses, internal audit and reviews costs, electricity and building utilities, learning and development costs, data information charges and operational risk losses.

Relates to PPE items with a carrying value of approximately R5.7 million in December 2023 (June 2023: R5.7 million) and Intangible assets amounting to approximately R5.8 million in December 2023 (June 2023: R0.1 million) written off in the prior year for assets no longer in use.

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16. Income tax expenses

The Group's consolidated effective tax rate for the period ended 30 June 2024 is 27% (for the six months ended June 2023: 26%; for the year ended 31 December 2023: 27%).

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities for the Group are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on the same taxable entity.

	30 June		31 December	
	2024 R'000	2023 R'000	2023 R'000	
17. Earnings and headline earnings per share				
17.1 Total basic earnings per share Profit for the year attributable to ordinary shareholders Weighted average number of ordinary shares:	492 690	492 791	830 979	
Issued ordinary shares at 1 January Effect of own shares held (JSE LTIS share scheme and JEF Trust)	86 877 600 (5 576 136)	86 877 600 (5 020 846)	86 877 600 (5 351 912)	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at period end	81 301 464	81 856 754	81 525 688	
Total earnings per share (cents)	606.0	602.0	1 019.3	
17.2 Total diluted earnings per share Profit for the year attributable and distributable to ordinary shareholders Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted):	492 690	492 791	830 979	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares at period end (basic)	81 301 464	81 856 754	81 525 688	
Effect of LTIS Share Scheme	1 604 135	1 117 396	1 414 139	
Weighted average number of ordinary shares (diluted)	82 905 599	82 974 150	82 939 827	
Diluted earnings per share (cents)	594.3	593.9	1 001.9	

The average market value of the Company's shares for purposes of calculating the dilutive effect of share options was based on quoted market prices using a volume-weighted average price for the period.

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		6 months ended 30 June	
	2024 R'000	2023 R'000	2023 R'000
 17. Earnings and headline earnings per share continued 17.3 Headline earnings per share 			
Reconciliation of headline earnings: Profit for the period attributable to ordinary shareholders Adjustments are made to the following: Amount net of tax	492 690 –	492 791 83	830 979 4 252
Write off/Impairment of intangible asset — Taxation effect	_ _	113 (30)	5 824 (1 572)
Amount net of tax	(12)	4 129	4 283
Property and equipment written off (Profit)/Loss on disposal of property and equipment – Taxation effect	(16) 4	5 657 (1 528)	203 (1 585)
Total headline earnings	492 679	497 003	839 514
Total headline earnings per share (cents)	606.0	607.2	1 029.8
17.4 Diluted headline earnings per share			
Diluted headline earnings per share (cents)	594.3	599.0	1 012.2

18. Intangible assets

Included in the intangible asset of R648 million (June 2023: R678 million, December 2023: R674 million) is the goodwill of R216 million and customer relationships of R101 million (June 2023: R110 million; December 2023: R106 million) related to the acquisition of JSE Investor Services (Pty) Limited (JIS), software under development of R78 million (June 2023: R71 million; December 2023: R56 million) mainly in respect of SENS strategy, market data to the cloud, Saturn re-architecture and Webstir projects.

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19. Employee benefits

Employee benefits include leave pay and critical skills scheme provisions and a discretionary bonus provision although the latter is only recognised in December of each period. There are no material differences year on year.

20. Expected credit loss

At 30 June 2024	21 351
Increase in allowance for impairment Write off	3 772 (1 222)
At 31 December 2023	18 801
At 30 June 2023 Increase in allowance for impairment Write off	16 822 1 974 5
At 1 January 2023 Increase in allowance for impairment Write off	15 415 2 516 (1 109)
	R'000

Under IFRS 9, the Group uses debtor historic default rates in the assessment of the probability of credit losses, while incorporating forward-looking macro-economic factors. The year-to-date impairment was mainly raised in respect of specific debtors where the recoverability of amounts owing appeared to be doubtful. The Group believes the impairment allowance is sufficient in respect of trade receivables.

The Group uses the simplified approach in calculating ECL for trade receivables and other receivables.

The debtors credit terms are 30 days. Debtors outstanding for more that 120 days are written off. The current year write off relates to a debtor that was liquidated in the current year.

The Group uses the general approach in calculating ECL for interest receivables. The ECL is immaterial.

21. Financial instruments

The carrying amount of all significant financial instruments approximates the fair value.

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	6 months ended 30 June	Year ended 31 Decembe
	2024 202 R'000 R'00	
Reserves Accumulated dividends paid to JEF Trust	84 589 67 89	
South African Government bonds reserve Fines reserve JEF Trust Investor protection funds reserve ²	13 1722 1319 93318 8854 36054 36647 363606 24	3 13 260 54 360
JSE Debt Guarantee Fund TrustJSE Derivatives Fidelity Fund TrustJSE Guarantee Fund Trust	124 587121 62295 454271 69227 322212 92	3 287 646
Non-distributable reserves Fair value reserve ¹ Share based payment reserve ³	819 417749 51(16 052)34 1452 12369 21	7 11 860
	855 488 852 87	846 282

¹ This reserve comprises fair value adjustments in respect of fair value through OCI financial assets.

23. Share-based payments

(i) Vesting of Allocation 3 Tranche 2 and Allocation 4 Tranche 1 (LTIS 2018)

Allocation 3 tranche 2 and allocation 4 tranche 1 of LTIS 2028 vested on 1 March 2024. All LTIS 2018 participants in the employ of the Company as at vesting date were eligible to participate in the vesting of these Tranches in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Scheme rules.

(ii) Grant of Allocation #7 under LTIS 2018 during the period under review

In accordance with shareholder approval, for the provision of financial assistance to the JSE LTIS 2018 Trust, the Board approved a fresh annual allocation of shares (Allocation 7) to selected employees for the 2024 year. These individual allocations were all accepted by the scheme participants on or before 20 March 2024. Allocation 7 comprises a total of 781 870 JSE ordinary shares, and these shares were acquired in the open market on or before 20 March 2024, at a volume-weighted average price (including all execution costs) of R89.61 per ordinary share for both Executive Committee and Senior managers. These shares are held in trust and are restricted until all vesting conditions are fulfilled whereupon the shares vest.

Of the total number of shares granted in Allocation 7, a total of 534 968 shares has been granted to members of the JSE's Executive Committee.

² These funds were established for the purpose of investor protection in the event of a member defaulting in the Equity, Equity Derivatives and Bond Markets.

³ This reserve relates to the portion of the LTIS 2018 Long-Term Incentive Schemes that have been expensed to date.

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23. Share-based payments continued

50% of the shares awarded vest on 1 March 2028 (Tranche 2)

(ii) Grant of Allocation #7 under LTIS 2018 during the period under review continued

(II) Grant of Allocation #/ under LTIS 2018 during the period under review continued Information on Allocation 7 is as follows:	Corporate performance shares
Executive Committee award Share price at grant data (reade per chare)	89.61
Share price at grant date (rands per share) Total number of shares granted Dividend yield (%) Grant date	69.01 534 968 7.1% 20 March 2024
Vesting profile: 50% of the shares awarded vest on 1 March 2027 (Tranche 1) 50% of the shares awarded vest on 1 March 2028 (Tranche 2)	267 484 267 484
The shares forfeited by leavers to date are NIL (Tranche 1 and Tranche 2). The total shares outstanding at period end are 534 968.	Corporate performance shares
Senior management award	
Share price at grant date (rands per share) Total number of shares granted	89.61 246 902
Dividend yield (%) Grant date	7.1% 20 March 2024
Vesting profile: 50% of the shares awarded vest on 1 March 2027 (Tranche 1)	123 451

Total shares forfeited by leavers to date are nil for the new allocation (Tranche 1 and Tranche 2). The total shares outstanding at year end are 246 902.

The profit or loss charge for the period, calculated using the Black Scholes valuation methodology, in respect of allocations granted under LTIS 2018 is as follows:

	6 months ended 30 June		Year ended 31 December	
	2024	2023	2023	
	R'000	R'000	R'000	
Allocation #2 (granted in March 2019) Allocation #3 (granted in March 2020) Allocation #4 (granted in March 2021) Allocation #5 (granted in March 2022) Allocation #6 (granted in March 2023) Allocation #7 (granted in March 2024)	R0.8m	(R0.2m)	R0.3m	
	R2.5m	R1.2m	R0.5m	
	R5.3m	R4.0m	R3.2m	
	R5.8m	R4.4m	R6.8m	
	R2.4m	R5.1m	R9.2m	
	R16.8m	R14.5m	R20.0m	

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	6 months ended 30 June		Year ended 31 December
	2024 R'000	2023 R'000	2023 R'000
Leases Impact on the statements of financial position as at 30 June 2024 Assets			
Right-of-use assets at 1 January Accumulated depreciation	256 298 (214 493)	256 298 (177 614)	256 298 (196 576
Total assets*	41 805	78 685	59 722
Lease Liabilities Current portion Non-current portion	81 379 14 480	64 544 94 676	68 769 55 713
Total liabilities	95 859	159 220	124 482
The following amounts are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income for the interim period ending 30 June 2024			
Depreciation	(17 917)	(19 394)	(38 356
Loss from operating activities Finance cost	(17 917) (5 741)	(19 394) (7 936)	(38 356 (14 464
Impact on profit for the period	(23 658)	(27 330)	(52 820
Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities Opening balance at 1 January Loan repayments Interest charges	124 482 (34 364) 5 741	190 274 (38 990) 7 936	190 274 (80 256 14 464
Balance at the end of the period	95 859	159 220	124 482

^{*} At the end of the current period, the right of use asset only consist of the head office property lease. The equipment hardware lease contract ended on 31 December 2023.

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25. Fair value estimation

Financial instruments measured in the statement of financial position at fair value require disclosure. The following is the fair value measurement hierarchy:

- o Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1)
- o Inputs other than quoted prices included in level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (that is, as prices) or indirectly (that is, derived from prices) (level 2)
- o Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is, unobservable inputs) (level 3)

The following table presents the Group's assets and liabilities that are measured at fair value.

	Level 1 R'000	Level 2 R'000	Level 3 R'000	Total balance R'000
Jun-24				
Assets				
Other investments				
- Equity securities (financial instruments)	204 772	270 876	-	475 648
 Debt securities (financial instruments measured at fair value through OCI) 	517 165	-	-	517 165
Non-listed equity instruments designated at fair value through OCI	-	-	77 752	77 752
Total assets	721 938	270 876	77 752	1 070 566
Dec-23				
Assets				
Other investments				
- Equity securities (financial instruments)	172 694	289 921	_	462 616
- Debt securities (financial instruments measured at fair value through OCI)	287 991	_	_	287 991
– Non-listed equity instruments designated at fair value through OCI	_	_	113 355	113 355
Total assets	460 685	289 921	113 355	863 962
Jun-23	'			
Assets				
Other investments				
- Equity securities (financial instruments)	171 337	273 758	_	445 095
- Debt securities (financial instruments measured at fair value through OCI)	226 018	_	_	226 018
– Non-listed equity instruments designated at fair value through OCI	_	_	141 781	141 781
Total assets	397 355	273 758	141 781	812 894

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25. Fair value estimation continued

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets is based on quoted market prices, which represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions between market participants at the reporting date. A market is regarded as active if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker or industry group pricing market transactions on an arm's length basis and transactions occur regularly. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Group is the current bid price. These instruments are included in level 1. Instruments included in level 1 comprise primarily FTSE 100 equity investments and South African Government Bonds classified as fair value through OCI.

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined by using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2. Level 2 is made up of protective cell funds and collective investment schemes, which is measured at the clean price and the foreign currency respectively and are publicly traded.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in level 3. Level 3 comprise of unlisted equity investment in Globacap Fintech company.

For all other financial assets and liabilities, the carrying value approximates the fair value.

Reconciliation: Level 3 recurring fair value measurements

Globacap investment

In the 2021 financial period, JSE limited acquired a minority stake for R84 million (GBP 4 million) in Globacap Technology Ltd (Globacap), an unlisted entity based in the United Kingdom. An additional investment was made in 2022 at an initial cost of R9.6 million (GBP 500 000) which was subsequently converted to a preferred equity instrument in the prior year. Post conversion, the JSE owns 14.4% (June 2023 and December 2023: 14.4%) effective stake in Globacap. The total investment in the FinTech company is designated at fair value through other comprehensive income ('OCI'), as the investment is a strategic long-term investment not held for returns in the short term.

Closing balance 30 June 2024	66 882	10 870	77 752
Closing balance 31 December 2023 Net fair value movement recognised in OCI during the period (pre-tax)	98 675	14 679	113 354
	(31 793)	(3 809)	(35 601)
Closing balance June 2023 Net fair value movement recognised in OCI during the period (pre-tax)	126 609	15 173	141 781
	(27 934)	(494)	(28 428)
Transferred from safe note investment Net fair value movement recognised in OCI during the period (pre-tax)	44 740	14 250 923	14 250 45 663
Globacap equity investment reconciliation Opening balance 1 January 2023	81 869	- 14.050	81 869
	Ordinary	Preferred	Globacap
	shares	shares	equity interest
	R'000	R'000	R'000

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25. Fair value estimation continued

Reconciliation: Level 3 recurring fair value measurements continued

Globacap investment continued

The fair value of both preferred equity shares (previously SAFE note) and ordinary equity investments were determined using the methodology below. The different rights and preferences between the ordinary shares and preferred B shares have not been taken into account as they are considered negligible. No dividends were received in the current and prior reporting periods.

External, independent valuators were used in performance of the valuation at acquisition in 2021.

The fair value as at 30 June 2024 was determined in line with the valuation technique applied for the period ended 31 December 2023. Management considers the valuation technique as a reasonable basis of determining fair value as it incorporated a highly successful funding round outcome for the series B transaction.

The fair value for the period is measured using the probability weighted valuation technique as follows:

- o A discounted cashflow valuation technique (income approach) using a detailed bottom-up approach for key commercial drivers and forecasted cashflows.
- o A market price valuation approach which encompasses the successful funding round using the price external investors are willing to invest into Globacap.

For the period ended 30 June 2024, probabilities were applied, using management judgment, to the two valuation methods as follows:

- o A 65% (June and December 2023: 50%;) weighting has been applied to the discounted cashflow model.
- o A 35% (June and December 2023: 50%;) weighting has been applied to the market price valuation.

The successful execution of the series B funding round occurred in March 2023 and given the passage of time since the last market price transaction the probability weighting was adjusted down from 50% to 35%. Forecast assumptions for the discounted cashflow model were further adjusted to revised estimates.

Description of significant unobservable inputs to valuation

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurements categorised within level 3 of the fair value hierarchy, together with a quantitative sensitivity analysis as at 30 June 2024 are shown below:

The valuation results in a fair value adjustment in other comprehensive income of R36.5 million loss (June 2023: R45.7 million gain; December 2023: R17.2 million gain) for the financial asset measured at other comprehensive income.

Discounted cashflow model (weighted at 65% (June and December 2023:50%) probability)

- o 10-year free cash flow to equity forecast; the entity's detailed forecast was utilised for cashflows in years 1 to 3.
- o 21.8% (June 2023:20%; December 2023: 21.8%) WACC;
- o 43% (June & December 2023: 48%) revenue growth from year 4-6; 10% (June & December 2023:10%) from year 7-10 and
- o 19% (June 2023: 16%; December 2023: 19%) operating expense growth rate from year 4-6; 3.9% (June 2023: 16%; December 2023: 3.9%) from year 7-10.



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25. Fair value estimation continued

Reconciliation: Level 3 recurring fair value measurements continued

Globacap investment continued

Market model- Post funding expected value per share (weighted at 35% (June and December 2023:50%) probability)

o Series B funding round price £ 1.6448 per share

The fair value was calculated as at 30 June 2024.

Valuation technique		Significant unobservable inputs	Range	Sensitivity of the input to fair value
Non-listed equity instruments designated at fair value through OCI (Ordinary and preferred	Net Present Value (NPV) Method	Weighted average cost of capital (WACC)	21.8% (June 2023: 20%; December 2023: 21.8%)	5% (2023: 5%) (increase)/decrease in the WACC would result in a fair value (decrease)/increase of R7.7 million (June 2023: R9.7 million; December 2023: R6.8 million) in the investment fair value.
equity instrument)	Revenue growth rate	Revenue growth rate	43% (June and December 2023: 48%)	3% (2023: 3%) increase/(decrease) in revenue growth rate from 2023 onwards results in a fair value increase/(decrease) of R8.1 million (June 2023: R4.1 million); December 2023: R6.5 million)
	Transaction price (market approach)	Estimated transaction price (Implied share price)	£ 1.6448 per share* (June and December 2023: £ 1.6448)	20% (2023: 20%) increase/(decrease) in the implied equity price results in a R13.4 million (June 2023: R19.1 million; December 2023: R21.8 million) increase/(decrease) in fair value.
	Probability weighting	Weighting of 50% on the DCF value and 50% on the implied equity value	65%/35% (June and December 2023: 50%/50%)	10% (2023: 10%) increase/(decrease) to the implied equity valuation weighting will result in a R18.8 million (June 2023: R14 million; December 2023: R20.9 million) increase/(decrease) in fair value

^{*} Series B funding round price £1.6448 per share.

For the sensitivity analysis, it is assumed that any change in the individual inputs will not impact other assumptions as the inputs are not considered to have significant interrelations.

The fair value of the investment in Globacap is based on the premise of the investee continuing to operate on its current trajectory. Given the nature of the investment and the life stage of the investee, the value of the investment will be impacted significantly by the investee's ability/inability to generate funding.

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26. Guarantees, contingent liabilities and commitments

26.1 Guarantees

A guarantee of an amount of R12 million (June & December 2023: R12 million) was issued by Rand Merchant Bank of South Africa Limited in favour of Strate Limited on behalf of JSE Limited in terms of an agreement to cover any failure by JSE Investor Services CSDP (Pty) Limited to comply with Strate rules and regulations.

JSE Limited issued a letter of undertaking and indemnity to Strate Limited in respect of JSE Investor Services CSDP (Pty) Limited for R7 million (June and December 2023: R7 million) for the purpose of ensuring that the subsidiary is in compliance with the Rules of Strate which applies to Central Securities Depository Participants in South Africa.

26.2 Contingent liabilities

No material contingent liabilities existed as at 30 June 2024.

26.3 Commitments

No material commitments existed as at 30 June 2024.

27. Events after reporting date

There have been no material events that would require adjustment or disclosure in the interim consolidated financial statements between 30 June 2024 and the date of Board approval of the condensed consolidated financial statements.

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7 August 2024

Sponsor: Rand Merchant Bank (A division of FirstRand Bank Limited)