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Dangote Sugar, Savannah Sugar plan merger

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DANGOTE Sugar Refinery Plc has revealed plans of its merger with Savannah Sugar Company Limited.

Dangote Sugar said in a statement on Monday that its board of directors recommended the business combination through a scheme of external restructuring, which would culminate in a merger.

The statement said it was expected that the scheme would involve the transfer of assets, liabilities and undertakings of Savannah Sugar to Dangote Sugar.

It added Dangote Sugar would emerge as the surviving entity.

The statement read in part, "The transaction would be subject to the approval of shareholders of both companies at the duly convened court-ordered meetings of the respective companies.

"The receipt of the regulatory approvals from the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Competition and Consumer Protection Commission is also important."

Dangote Sugar said further announcements on the transaction would be provided to the market.

Nigeria remains Canada's major trading partner — Osinbajo

Ifeanyi Onuba, with agency report

VICE-President Yemi Osinbajo on Monday in Abuja said Nigeria remained a major trading partner with Canada.

The News Agency of Nigeria reports that Osinbajo said this at the Nigeria-Canada Investment Summit 2019 with the theme, 'Reaching Greater Heights.'

The vice president said Nigeria was one of the 10 reforming economies in the world, adding that the summit focused on the six major sectors of the country's economy.

"The six sectors listed in the summit namely: education, healthcare, mining, power, infrastructure and agriculture, are the crucial sectors and are very important for Nigerian's economy.

"We encourage all our partners to maximise all the platforms provided and prospects available for businesses to prosper. Our trade and investment sector in Nigeria has remained a major trading partner to Canada in Africa.

"Canada imports consist of minerals, fuel, cocoa, rubber and many more while it exports vehicles equipment, manufacturing equipment and software."

The Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Otunba Niyi Adebayo, said, "Nigeria in particular ranks among Canada's top three trading partners in Africa with an estimated import and export receipt of $977m, $360m worth of goods, respectively."

UNDEDSS rejects FG's waterways, NDDC Acts amendment

Mudiaga Affe

THE United Niger Delta Energy Development Security Strategy on Monday said the region would not accept the proposed amendments to the National Inland Waterways Act and the act setting up the Niger Delta Development Commission.

In a statement on Monday by its Executive Secretary, Mr Tony Uranta, UNDEDSS also rejected the resubmission of the list of nominees to the board of the NDDC which showed the Presidency's alleged disregard for the rule of law.

The statement read, "We can no longer continue this way with fundamental injustices by the Federal Government of Nigeria, including the federal executive's present attempt to breach both the Land Use Act and the NDDC Act. The proposed amendment to the NIWA Act is RUGA by other methods, and we reject it in its totality.

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Mutual Benefits Assurance Plc.

SUMMARY OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2019

The Directors present the summary of unaudited financial statements of Mutual Benefits Assurance Plc. for the Period ended 30 September 2019. These summary financial statements are derived from the full unaudited financial statements for the period ended 30 September 2019 and is prepared in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Company.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	GROUP		COMPANY	
FOR THE YEAR ENDED In thousands of Nigerian Naira	30 SEPTEMBER 2019	30 SEPTEMBER 2018	30 SEPTEMBER 2019	30 SEPTEMBER 2018
Gross premium written	13,383,824	11,931,429	3,473,861	3,051,051
Gross premium income	(2,230,145)	(1,975,870)	(694,965)	(924,533)
Premium ceded to reinsurers	(1,720,980)	(1,605,583)	(1,278,896)	(1,081,420)
Net premium income	10,908,079	8,934,947	4,617,204	4,819,198
Fee and commission income	672,360	350,818	570,965	387,130
Net underwriting income	11,580,439	10,285,765	5,187,811	5,206,328
Net benefits and claims	5,020,361	4,060,830	1,801,864	1,896,395
Claims recovered from reinsurance	(30,231)	(34,140)	-	-
Increase in policy reserve	2,746,502	2,731,845	1,233,884	1,316,687
Underwriting expenses	6,340,242	7,091,113	2,986,110	3,811,206
Net underwriting expenses	4,736,184	3,896,690	2,288,710	1,845,934
Underwriting profit	618,171	892,809	-	-
Profit/(loss) on investment contracts	1,791,777	1,570,563	973,478	741,850
Investment income	(48,510)	(25,850)	(36,136)	(51,460)
Net fair value gain on assets at FVTPL	166,996	110,094	170,214	54,283
Other income	(4,241)	(68,177)	-	-
Impairment charges	(1,577,104)	(1,677,174)	(404,764)	(353,813)
Employee benefit expenses	(2,569,405)	(2,612,840)	(1,252,440)	(1,107,157)
Other management expenses	(1,136,473)	(741,601)	(155,573)	(141,940)
Net foreign exchange other income	2,814,729	937,479	1,868,267	785,879
Share of profit/(loss) in associate	(96,552)	(24,947)	-	-
Finance income	284,704	247,426	-	-
Profit before income tax	3,273,336	1,830,958	1,999,247	750,018
Income tax expense	(877,240)	(434,301)	(253,052)	(200,723)
Profit after tax	2,396,447	996,374	746,348	549,295
Profit attributable to:				
Owners of the parent	2,330,821	870,104	746,348	549,295
Non-controlling interests	65,626	126,270	-	-
	2,396,447	996,374	746,348	549,295
Earnings per share:				
Basic and diluted (kobo)	32	8	9	7
Profit for the year	1,396,447	996,374	746,348	549,295
Other comprehensive income:				
Items that are not to be reclassified to the profit or loss account				
Fair value gain on Equity instruments at FVTOCI	56,276	70,000	-	-
Revaluation surplus on land and building	56,276	70,000	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	2,452,723	1,066,374	746,348	549,295
Other comprehensive income:				
Items that are not to be reclassified to the profit or loss account				
Re-measurement gain on Equity instruments at FVTOCI	-	-	-	-
Tax relief on land and building	-	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year (net of tax)	56,276	70,000	-	-
Profit attributable to:	2,508,723	1,066,374	746,348	549,295
Owners of the parent	2,330,821	870,104	746,348	549,295
Non-controlling interests	121,902	126,270	-	-
	2,452,723	996,374	746,348	549,295

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	GROUP		COMPANY	
AS AT In thousands of Nigerian Naira	30 SEPTEMBER 2019	31 DECEMBER 2018	30 SEPTEMBER 2019	31 DECEMBER 2018
ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	7,364,621	5,482,247	3,445,972	3,494,990
Financial assets				
Equity instruments at fair value through OCI	711,618	721,018	84,271	84,271
Fair value through profit or loss	2,547,972	3,040,360	2,237,063	2,805,125
Financial assets held for trading	47,836	76,185	47,836	76,185
Loans and receivables	11,183,136	11,607,819	399,704	220,079
Debt instruments at amortised cost	18,177,978	19,545,572	5,744,063	5,492,109
Financial assets held for trading pledged as collateral	113,000	140,158	113,000	140,158
Trade receivables	758,960	819,199	304,282	306,042
Reinsurance assets	4,512,977	5,574,723	1,969,554	1,561,512
Other receivables and prepayments	951,329	1,018,098	148,191	421,117
Deferred acquisition costs	398,047	427,048	424,186	352,880
Finance lease receivables	114,279	184,359	114,311	115,702
Investment	516,296	516,296	-	-
Assets held for sale	8,844,900	8,844,900	-	-
Investment properties	1,478,300	1,478,300	86,300	98,263
Investments in subsidiaries	-	-	4,900,000	4,900,000
Intangible assets	48,759	48,840	27,935	19,884
Property, plants and equipment	3,991,962	3,531,218	2,303,729	2,095,262
Statutory deposit	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000
Deposit for shares	7,238	7,238	7,238	7,238
Goodwill	1,543	1,543	-	-
Total assets	66,756,751	64,295,840	22,667,394	23,062,523
LIABILITIES				
Insurance contract liabilities	14,540,368	13,280,598	5,561,256	5,733,536
Investment contract liabilities	29,735,541	29,275,301	-	-
Trade payables	1,934,557	1,166,511	922,990	655,443
Other liabilities	1,184,287	954,541	491,802	299,749
Deposit liabilities	503,297	512,163	-	-
Borrowings	6,775,345	6,621,845	6,775,345	6,621,845
Current income tax liabilities	1,098,849	763,525	612,402	479,844
Deferred tax liabilities	1,034,666	1,119,231	787,418	787,418
Total liabilities	57,811,906	53,743,715	15,751,213	15,577,835
EQUITY				
Share Capital	2,500,267	2,500,000	2,500,267	2,500,000
Treasury shares	(267)	(333)	(370)	(367)
Foreign currency translation reserves	1,182,882	1,119,284	-	-
Contingency reserve	3,202,847	2,960,705	2,924,145	2,454,423
Fair Value Reserve	(268,502)	(283,901)	(116,687)	(134,991)
Revaluation reserves	1,620,131	1,620,131	1,329,326	1,329,326
Accumulated losses	1,986,606	(437,916)	(1,842,630)	(1,665,439)
Shareholders' fund	12,893,940	8,580,267	7,912,123	6,748,352
Total equity attributable to the:				
Owners of the parent	12,909,940	8,956,750	7,912,123	6,748,352
Non-controlling interests in equity	243,365	323,736	-	-
Total equity	13,153,305	9,280,487	7,912,123	6,748,352
Total liabilities and equity	66,765,781	63,024,202	23,663,336	22,326,187

These financial statements were approved by the Board on the 30th October 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

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