Review reports and condensed consolidated interim financial information

for the nine months period ended 30 September 2023



**Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC** Review reports and condensed consolidated interim financial information for the nine months period ended 30 September 2023

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Management report on the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the nine months period ended 30 September 2023

## **Financial Review**

### 1. Revenue, profit and earnings per share

e&'s financial performance for the nine months period ended 30 September 2023 is summarised below:

i) Consolidated revenue amounted to AED 40,014 million, representing an increase of AED 714 million (1.8 %) compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

ii) Profit attributable to the Owners of the Company amounted to AED 7,689 million, representing an increase of AED 340 million (4.6 %) when compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

iii) Earnings per share from continuing operations increased by AED 0.04 when compared to the corresponding period in the prior year.

## 2. Net assets

As compared to 31 December 2022, e&'s net assets decreased by AED 1,826 million to AED 48,173 million as at 30 September 2023.

#### 3. Capital expenditure

e& incurred AED 4,833 million capital expenditure in the nine months period ended 30 September 2023 (AED 5,087 million in the nine months period ended 30 September 2022).

#### 4. Dividends

On 11 April 2023, a final dividend for the year 2022 at the rate of AED 0.40 per share was approved for distribution to the shareholders registered at the close of business on 24 April 2023.

On 1 August 2023, the Board of Directors declared the first interim dividend for the year 2023 at the rate of AED 0.40 per share.

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# Independent Auditors' Report on Review of Condensed Consolidated Interim Financial Information

## To the Shareholders of the Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC

#### Introduction

We have reviewed the accompanying 30 September 2023 condensed consolidated interim financial information of Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC ("the Company") and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "the Group" or collectively as "e&"), which comprises:

- the condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position as at 30 September 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statements of profit or loss for the three-month and nine-month periods ended 30 September 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statements of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the three-month and nine-month periods ended 30 September 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity for the nine-month period ended 30 September 2023;
- the condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows for the nine-month period ended 30 September 2023; and
- notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

Management is responsible for the preparation and presentation of this condensed consolidated interim financial information in accordance with IAS 34, *'Interim Financial Reporting'*. Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on this condensed consolidated interim financial information based on our review.

#### **Scope of Review**

We conducted our review in accordance with the International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity". A review of interim financial information consists of making inquiries, primarily of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters, and applying analytical and other review procedures. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.



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#### Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying 30 September 2023 condensed consolidated interim financial information is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with IAS 34, *'Interim Financial Reporting'*.

KPMG Lower Gulf Limited

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Date: 31 October 2023

Condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss for the period

		(Unaudited)					
		Three month 30 Septe		Nine months 30 Septe			
	-	2023	2022	2023	2022		
	Note	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000		
Revenue	4	13,397,174	12,972,876	40,013,717	39,299,705		
Operating expenses	5	(7,973,355)	(8,021,071)	(25,185,407)	(24,416,971)		
Impairment loss on trade receivables and contract assets		(193,723)	(193,866)	(601,306)	(669,695)		
Impairment loss on other assets and other losses		(222)	(103)	(23,297)	(87)		
Share of results of associates and joint ventures		177,258	126,694	485,111	227,094		
Operating profit before federal royalty		5,407,132	4,884,530	14,688,818	14,440,046		
Federal royalty	5	(1,776,956)	(1,564,880)	(4,529,661)	(4,441,771)		
Operating profit		3,630,176	3,319,650	10,159,157	9,998,275		
Finance and other income		1,296,539	507,234	2,321,036	1,010,709		
Finance and other costs		(1,309,353)	(581,489)	(3,032,033)	(1,880,113)		
Profit before tax		3,617,362	3,245,395	9,448,160	9,128,871		
Income tax expenses		(343,080)	(457,893)	(1,082,830)	(1,290,532)		
Profit for the period		3,274,282	2,787,502	8,365,330	7,838,339		
Profit attributable to:							
Owners of the Company		2,979,430	2,483,514	7,688,662	7,348,502		
Non-controlling interests		294,852	303,988	676,668	489,837		
		3,274,282	2,787,502	8,365,330	7,838,339		
Earnings per share							
Basic and diluted	7	AED 0.34	AED 0.29	AED 0.88	AED 0.84		

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the period

		Three months 30 Septen		ed Nine months 30 Septer	
	Note	2023	2022	2023	2022
		AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Profit for the period		3,274,282	2,787,502	8,365,330	7,838,339
Other comprehensive (loss) / income					
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss:					
Remeasurement of defined benefit obligation - net of tax		6,580	(16,940)	19,536	11,213
Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:					
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations		(744,558)	(2,069,085)	(1,350,235)	(5,401,940)
Gain on net investment hedge during the period	17	295,312	744,395	73,885	1,402,689
Fair value (loss)/gain arising on cash flow hedges during the period	17	(25,344)	47,827	(47,176)	190,401
Loss on revaluation of financial assets during the period		(14,435)	(4,605,327)	(1,545,407)	(5,084,259)
Total other comprehensive loss	_	(482,445)	(5,899,130)	(2,849,397)	(8,881,896)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period		2,791,837	(3,111,628)	5,515,933	(1,043,557)
Total comprehensive income attributable to:					
Owners of the Company		2,672,258	(2,733,551)	5,622,978	299,337
Non-controlling interests		119,579	(378,077)	(107,045)	(1,342,894)
		2,791,837	(3,111,628)	5,515,933	(1,043,557)

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position

Condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position	_	(Unaudited) 30 September	(Audited) 31 December
	-	2023	2022
	Notes	AED'000	AED'000
Non-current assets			
Goodwill and other intangible assets	8	22,020,654	22,339,232
Property, plant and equipment	9	38,427,286	39,925,299
Right-of-use assets	22	1,641,679	1,781,560
Investments in associates and joint ventures		8,730,228	8,266,10
Other investments	18	19,859,494	15,715,504
Trade and other receivables	10	511,457	446,248
Finance lease receivables		1,483,464	1,138,18
Derivative financial instruments	17	133,264	208,220
Contract assets		712,762	556,768
Deferred tax assets		322,758	220,11
		93,843,046	90,597,224
Current assets		1 000 500	070.07
Inventories	40	1,092,589	972,87
Trade and other receivables	10	16,642,888	15,647,76
Current income tax assets		432,014	484,68
Finance lease receivables		130,311	195,53
Due from related parties	15	172,217	112,319
Contract assets	10	1,920,025	1,824,918
Other investments	18	842,472	2,407,143
Derivative financial instruments	17	10,343	3,35
Cash and bank balances	11	24,189,080	32,839,482
Assets held for sale		235,149	
		45,667,088	<b>54,488,0</b> 8′
Total assets		139,510,134	145,085,30
Non-current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	12	1,271,836	1,247,240
Borrowings	16	35,641,746	24,209,643
Payables related to investments and licenses		246,773	302,25
Deferred tax liabilities		1,533,903	1,645,27
Lease liabilities	23	2,876,538	2,602,97
Provisions		383,313	381,67
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	21	1,098,627	1,166,134
Contract liabilities		44,885	97,85
		43,097,621	31,653,05
Current liabilities Trade and other payables	12	29 147 256	20 592 051
Contract liabilities	12	28,147,356	30,583,95
	16	2,818,905	2,991,72
Borrowings	10	11,245,716	23,744,566
Payables related to investments and licenses		12,627	13,68
Current income tax liabilities	00	301,667	415,030
Lease liabilities	23	567,206	542,23
Provisions		5,026,153	5,028,67
Provision for employees' end of service benefits	21	118,779	113,28
Derivative financial instruments	17	621	C2 422 45
Total liabilities		48,239,030 91,336,651	63,433,154 95,086,20
Equity		• 1,000,001	,,
Share capital	24	8,696,754	8,696,754
Reserves	2.	18,154,904	20,240,124
Retained earnings		14,081,145	13,326,97
Equity attributable to the owners of the Company		40,932,803	42,263,850
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Non-controlling interests Total equity		48,173,483	49,999,100

To the best of our knowledge, the financial information included in this condensed consolidated interim financial information presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of e& as of, and for, the periods presented therein.

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Condensed consolidated interim statement of changes in equity for the nine months period ended 30 September 2023 (Unaudited)

	_	Attributable to owners of the Company					
		Share capital	Reserves	Retained earnings	Owners' equity	Non- controlling interests	Total equity
	Notes	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Balance at 1 January 2022 (audited)		8,696,754	28,598,188	10,291,094	47,586,036	9,977,786	57,563,822
Profit for the period		-	-	7,348,502	7,348,502	489,837	7,838,339
Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the period		-	(7,060,355)	11,190	(7,049,165)	(1,832,731)	(8,881,896)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period		-	(7,060,355)	7,359,692	299,337	(1,342,894)	(1,043,557)
Transfer of fair value reserve of equity instruments designated at FVOCI		-	15,855	(15,855)	-	-	-
Other movements in equity		-	(883)	(4,781)	(5,664)	(21,374)	(27,038)
Transaction with owners of the Company:							
Dividends	6	-	-	(6,954,396)	(6,954,396)	(1,166,080)	(8,120,476)
Balance at 30 September 2022 (unaudited)		8,696,754	21,552,805	10,675,754	40,925,313	7,447,438	48,372,751
Balance at 1 January 2023 (audited)		8,696,754	20,240,124	13,326,978	42,263,856	7,735,244	49,999,100
Profit for the period		-	-	7,688,662	7,688,662	676,668	8,365,330
Other comprehensive (loss)/income for the period		-	(2,085,220)	19,536	(2,065,684)	(783,713)	(2,849,397)
Total comprehensive (loss)/income for the period		-	(2,085,220)	7,708,198	5,622,978	(107,045)	5,515,933
Other movements in equity		-	-	365	365	273,765	274,130
Transaction with owners of the Company:							
Acquisition of a subsidiary		-	-	-	-	71,632	71,632
Dividends	6	-	-	(6,954,396)	(6,954,396)	(732,916)	(7,687,312)
Balance at 30 September 2023 (unaudited)		8,696,754	18,154,904	14,081,145	40,932,803	7,240,680	48,173,483

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# **Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC** Condensed consolidated interim statement of cash flows for the period

	Unaudited nine mor 30 Septemb	
—	2023	2022
Note	AED'000	AED'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Operating profit	10,159,157	9,998,275
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	4,094,665	4,359,719
Amortisation	1,151,080	1,309,945
Impairment loss on other assets and other losses	23,297	(227.004)
Share of results of associates and joint ventures Provisions and allowances	<u>(485,111)</u> 146,437	(227,094) (482,534)
Unrealised currency translation loss	178,452	255,470
Operating cash flows before changes in working capital	15,267,977	15,213,884
Changes in working capital:	10,207,377	10,210,004
Inventories	(153,282)	(255,386)
Due from associates and joint ventures	(60,210)	(64,108)
Trade and other receivables including contract assets	(2,864,998)	(2,618,518)
Trade and other payables including contract liabilities	(1,888,657)	51,274
Cash generated from operations	10,300,830	12,327,146
Income taxes paid	(1,502,193)	(1,308,266)
Payment of employees' end of service benefits	(62,459)	(74,791)
Net cash generated from operating activities	8,736,178	10,944,089
Cash flows from investing activities	(444,550)	(54.054)
Acquisition of a subsidiary (net of cash)	(141,553)	(54,054)
Investment in an associate	(221,735)	(638,889)
Acquisition of investment classified as fair value through OCI	(3,297,716)	(16,088,797)
Proceeds from disposal of investment classified as fair value	410,849	-
through OCI		
Acquisition of investment classified as fair value through profit or loss	-	(896)
Proceeds from disposal of investment classified as fair value through profit or loss	1,325,161	347,701
Acquisition of other investments	(100,832)	(54,836)
Acquisition of investments at amortised cost	(3,396,291)	(92,018)
Proceeds from disposal of investments at amortised cost	743,622	129,538
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(4,000,714)	(4,163,890)
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment	52,075	65,487
Purchase of intangible assets	(832,780)	(923,424)
Proceeds from disposal of intangible assets	5,074	1,062
Dividend income received from associates and other investments	1,481,439	332,770
Term deposits made with maturities over three months 11	(6,515,658)	(25,666,816)
Term deposits matured with maturities over three months 11	21,014,611	10,468,766
Cash flows from unwinding of derivative financial instruments	23,856	(22,549)
Finance and other income received	1,525,177	756,479
Net cash generated from / (used in) investing activities	8,074,585	(35,604,366)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from borrowings	22,933,549	22,991,762
Repayments of borrowings	(23,214,460)	(5,706,832)
Payment of lease liabilities	(484,466)	(484,765)
Dividends paid	(7,726,717)	(7,973,465)
Finance and other costs paid	(2,121,204)	(1,377,097)
Net cash (used in) / generated from financing activities	(10,613,298)	7,449,603
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	6,197,465	(17,210,674)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	3,202,195	19,911,520
Effect of exchange rate fluctuations on cash held	(348,914)	(298,247)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period 11	9,050,746	2,402,599
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## Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the nine month period ended 30 September 2023

## 1. General information

e& comprises Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC ("the Company"), formerly known as Emirates Telecommunications Corporation ("the Corporation") and its subsidiaries. The Corporation was incorporated in the United Arab Emirates ("UAE"), with limited liability, in 1976 by UAE Federal Government decree No. 78, which was revised by the UAE Federal Act No. (1) of 1991 (Etisalat Law) and further amended by Decretal Federal Code No. 3 of 2003 concerning the regulation of the telecommunications sector in the UAE. In accordance with Federal Law No. 267/10 for 2009, the Federal Government of the UAE transferred its 60% holding in the Corporation to the Emirates Investment Authority with effect from 1 January 2008, which is ultimately controlled by the UAE Federal Government.

The Federal-Decree Law No. 3 of 2015 ("the New Law") has amended certain provisions of Etisalat Law and new articles of association of Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC (the "New AoA") have been issued. Subsequent to the New Law and the New AoA, Emirates Telecommunications Corporation has been converted from a corporation to a public joint stock company and is subject to the provisions of UAE Federal Law No. 2 of 2015 on Commercial Companies (the "Companies Law") unless otherwise stated in the Etisalat Law or New AoA. Accordingly, the name of the corporation has been changed to Emirates Telecommunications Group Company PJSC. Etisalat Law was further amended by Federal Decree -Law No. 1 of 2021, which increased the Non-UAE nationals ownership cap from 20% to 49% of the Company share capital.

Federal Decree - Law No. 26 of 2020 which amends certain provisions of Federal Law No. 2 of 2015 on Commercial Companies was issued on 27 September 2020 and the amendments came into effect on 2 January 2021 with one-year grace period for the existing companies which are subject to its provisions to adjust their status. e& held a General Assembly meeting on 8th December 2021, which approved all the necessary amendments to the Articles of Association to be aligned with Federal-Decree Law No. 26 of 2020.

Under the New Law and the New AoA: i) Two types of share have been introduced, i.e. ordinary shares and one Special Share held by the Emirates Investment Authority ("the Special Shareholder") which carries certain preferential rights related to the passing of certain decisions by the Company. ii) The minimum number of ordinary shares held by any UAE government entity in the Company has been reduced from at least 60% of the Company's share capital to not less than 51%, unless the Special Shareholder decides otherwise. iii) Shareholders, natural or legal person, who are Non-UAE National may own up to 20% of the Company's ordinary shares, however, the shares owned by such persons / entities shall not hold any voting rights in the Company's general assembly, although holders of such shares may attend such meeting. On 11 October 2018, the Board of Directors of e& approved by circulation to lift the restrictions on voting rights of foreign shareholders so that they shall enjoy the same voting rights of UAE citizens. Accordingly, a special resolution was passed during the Annual General Meeting held on 20 March 2019 to that effect, all required approvals were obtained and all necessary amendments were incorporated in the New AoA to put the afore-said resolution in place. e&'s Board of Directors, in its meeting on 20 January 2021, recommended to increase the foreign ownership limit from 20% to 49% of the Company's share capital subject to the approval of e&'s General Assembly scheduled on 17 March 2021 and the approval of the competent authorities. On 29 August 2021, e& secured the required approvals for increasing the foreign ownership limit in its share capital to 49% and accordingly, the new foreign ownership limits have come into effect.

On 20 September 2021, the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021 was issued and came into effect on 2 January 2022 which repealed the UAE Federal Law No. (2) of 2015. Companies have (1) one year from 2 January 2022 to comply with the provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021. The Company's annual general assembly approved in its meeting held on 5th April 2022 the amendments to its Articles of Association, in order to be compliant with the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021, and such amendments were also approved by Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority (TDRA) via its Chairman resolution No. 18 of 2022 dated 27 June 2022 and published in the Official Gazette No 730 issued on 30 June 2022.

## Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the nine month period ended 30 September 2023

## **1. General information** (continued)

The address of the registered office of the Company is P.O. Box 3838, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. The Company's shares are listed on the Abu Dhabi Securities Exchange.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information as at and for the nine month ended 30 September 2023 comprise the Company and its subsidiaries ('the Group' or collectively as 'e&').

This condensed consolidated interim financial information was approved by the Board of Directors and authorised for issue on 31 October 2023.

## 2. Basis of preparation

This condensed consolidated interim financial information has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 *Interim Financial Reporting* and the applicable requirements of the UAE Federal Law No. 32 of 2021.

On 20 September 2021, the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021 was issued and came into effect on 2 January 2022 which repealed the UAE Federal Law No. (2) of 2015. Companies have (1) one year from 2 January 2022 to comply with the provisions of the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021. The Company's annual general assembly approved in its meeting held on 5th April 2022 the amendments to its Articles of Association, in order to be compliant with the UAE Federal Decree Law No. (32) of 2021, and such amendments were also approved by Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority (TDRA) via its Chairman resolution No. 18 of 2022 dated 27 June 2022 and published in the Official Gazette No 730 issued on 30 June 2022.

The information presented herein should be read in conjunction with e&'s last annual consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022. This condensed consolidated interim financial information does not include all the information required for a complete set of IFRS financial statements. However, selected explanatory notes are included to explain events and transactions that are significant to an understanding of the changes in e&'s financial position and performance since the last annual financial statements.

The preparation of financial information in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying e&'s accounting policies. Actual results may differ from these estimates and judgments. The significant judgements made by management in applying e&'s accounting policies and the key sources of estimation uncertainty were the same as those described in the last annual financial statements.

This condensed consolidated interim financial information is prepared under the historical cost convention except for the revaluation of certain financial instruments and in accordance with e&'s accounting policies as described in the last annual financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The accounting policies applied in the condensed consolidated interim financial information are the same as those applied in e&'s consolidated financial statements as at and for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The condensed consolidated interim financial information is presented in UAE Dirhams (AED) which is the Company's functional and presentation currency, rounded to the nearest thousand except where otherwise indicated.

## Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the nine month period ended 30 September 2023

## 3. Significant accounting policies

The accounting policies and the methods of computation adopted in the preparation of this condensed consolidated interim financial information are the same as those applied in the preparation of preceding annual published financial statements of e& for the year ended 31 December 2022.

## a) New and amended standards adopted by e&

The following revised new and amended standards have been adopted in the condensed consolidated interim financial information.

- IFRS 17 Insurance contracts

- Deferred Tax Related to Assets and Liabilities Arising from a Single Transaction (Amendments to IAS 12)

- Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2)

- Definition of Accounting Estimate (Amendments to IAS 8)

There has been no material impact on the condensed consolidated interim financial information of e& upon adoption of the above new and amended standards.

## b) New and amended standards not effective and not yet adopted by e&

At the date of the condensed consolidated interim financial information, the following other standards, amendments and Interpretations have not been effective and have not been early adopted by e&:

New and amended standards not effective and not yet adopted by e&	Effective date
Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback – Amendments to IFRS 16	1 January 2024
Classification of liabilities as Current or Non-current (Amendments to IAS 1)	1 January 2024
Supplier Finance Arrangements – Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7	1 January 2024
Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture (Amendments to IFRS 10 and IAS 28)	Effective date deferred indefinitely

These new and amended standards are not expected to have a significant impact on e&'s condensed consolidated interim financial information.

## Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial information for the nine month period ended 30 September 2023

## 4. Segmental information

Information regarding e&'s operating segments is set out below in accordance with IFRS 8 *Operating Segments*. IFRS 8 requires operating segments to be identified on the basis of internal reports that are regularly reviewed by e&'s chief operating decision maker and used to allocate resources to the segments and to assess their performance.

#### a) Products and services from which reportable segments derive their revenues

e& is engaged in a single line of business, being the supply of telecommunications services and related products. The majority of e&'s revenues, profits and assets relate to its operations in the UAE. Outside of the UAE, e& operates through its subsidiaries and associates in sixteen countries which are divided into the following operating segments:

- Morocco
- Egypt
- Pakistan
- International others

Revenue is attributed to an operating segment based on the location of the associated companies reporting the revenue. Inter-segment sales are charged at agreed terms and prices.

e&'s share of results from associates and joint ventures has been allocated to the segments based on the geographical location of the operations of the associate and joint venture investments. The allocation is in line with how results from investments in associates and joint ventures are reported to e&'s Board of Directors ("Board of Directors").

## b) Segment revenues and results

Segment results represent operating profit earned by each segment without allocation of finance income, finance costs and federal royalty. This is the measure reported to the Board of Directors for the purposes of resource allocation and assessment of segment performance.

#### c) Segment assets

For the purposes of monitoring segment performance and allocating resources between segments, the Board of Directors monitors the total and non-current assets attributable to each segment. Goodwill is allocated based on separately identifiable Cash Generating Units. Assets used jointly by reportable segments are allocated on the basis of the revenues earned by individual reportable segments.

The segment information has been provided on the following page.

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## 4. Segmental information (continued)

<b>4. Segmental information</b> (continued)		International					
	UAE	Morocco Egypt		Pakistan	Others	Eliminations	Consolidated
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Nine months ended							
30 September 2023							
Revenue External revenue	25 646 570	4 605 404	0.607.004	1 726 520	E 077 40E		40.042.74
	25,646,578	4,625,494	2,627,991	1,736,529	5,377,125	- (700.440)	40,013,717
Inter-segment revenue	202,736	312,277	41,361	89,905	82,861	(729,140)	40.040.74
Total revenue	25,849,314	4,937,771	2,669,352	1,826,434	5,459,986	(729,140)	40,013,717
Segment result	10,494,103	1,814,727	674,936	(56,774)	1,761,826	-	14,688,818
Federal royalty Finance and other income							(4,529,661
							2,321,036
Finance and other costs							(3,032,033
Profit before tax							9,448,160
Income tax expenses							(1,082,830
Profit for the period	74 000 405	07.004.000	0.744.000	0 505 407	20.077.042	(44 740 050)	8,365,330
Total assets at 30 September 2023	74,033,195	27,961,020	6,744,029	9,505,497	32,977,043	(11,710,650)	139,510,134
Nine months ended 30 September 2022							
Revenue							
External revenue	23,800,363	4,783,239	3,759,724	1,968,850	4,987,529	-	39,299,705
Inter-segment revenue	190,420	338,988	42,433	87,166	73,919	(732,926)	39,299,700
Total revenue	23,990,783	<b>5,122,227</b>	<b>3,802,157</b>	2,056,016	5,061,448	(732,926)	20 200 704
Segment result	10,265,896	1,854,161	1,018,834	(174,638)	1,475,793		39,299,705
Federal royalty	10,205,690	1,054,101	1,010,034	(174,030)	1,475,795	-	(4,441,771)
Finance and other income							1,010,709
Finance and other costs							
Profit before tax							(1,880,113
Taxation							9,128,87
Profit for the period							(1,290,532
Total assets at 31 December 2022	79,716,460	27,690,132	7,731,604	12,375,589	30,310,249	(12,738,729)	7,838,339
Breakdown of external revenue:	79,710,400	27,090,132	7,731,004	12,373,309	30,310,249	(12,730,729)	145,065,505
The following is an analysis of e&'s e	xternal revenue	)					
Nine months ended							
30 September 2023	0 707 000	0.044.040	2 200 200	CO4 E40	4 042 046		40.047.550
Mobile	8,707,322	2,311,342	2,380,399	634,549	4,913,946	-	18,947,558
Fixed	8,549,448	1,841,731	163,402	786,956	335,000	-	11,676,537
Equipment Others	1,683,126 6,706,682	263,362 209,059	36,919 47,271	8,571 306,453	24,897 103,282	-	2,016,875
Total	<b>25,646,578</b>	4,625,494	2,627,991	<b>1,736,529</b>	<b>5,377,125</b>	-	40,013,717
Nine months ended 30 September 2022							
Mobile	8,520,647	2,463,401	3,082,600	638,169	4,619,516	-	19,324,333
Fixed	8,356,749	1,892,636	238,712	954,326	324,683	-	11,767,106
Equipment	1,324,360	235,370	53,349	9,810	7,314	-	1,630,203
	5,598,607		385,063	366,545	36,016		6,578,063
Others	5,596,007	191,832	305,003	300,343	30,010	-	0,070,000

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5. Operating expenses and federal royalty		Three month 30 Septe			Nine months ended 30 September		
a) Operating expenses	_	2023	2022	2023	2022		
	Note	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000		
Direct cost of sales		3,453,933	3,217,518	11,008,377	9,661,408		
Staff costs		1,046,274	1,022,809	3,241,871	3,270,061		
Depreciation		1,350,220	1,404,778	4,094,665	4,359,719		
Network and other related costs		704,427	695,510	2,106,334	2,082,592		
Amortisation		400,659	425,102	1,151,080	1,309,945		
Regulatory expenses	(i)	376,984	364,217	1,082,457	1,118,083		
Marketing expenses		226,109	191,703	638,133	630,945		
Consultancy cost		193,370	133,033	487,666	442,419		
Operating lease rentals		23,368	17,122	60,272	44,613		
IT costs		110,732	105,855	337,431	310,837		
Foreign exchange (gain) / loss		(84,485)	126,713	174,778	276,926		
Other operating expenses		171,764	316,711	802,343	909,423		
Operating expenses (before federal royalty)		7,973,355	8,021,071	25,185,407	24,416,971		

#### i) Regulatory expenses:

Regulatory expenses include ICT fund contributions required to be paid by the Company to the UAE Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) at 1% of its net regulated revenue annually.

#### b) Federal royalty

In accordance with the Cabinet decision No. 558/1 for the year 1991, the Company was required to pay a federal royalty, equivalent to 40% of its annual net profit before such federal royalty, to the UAE Government for use of federal facilities. With effect from 1 June 1998, Cabinet decision No. 325/28M for 1998, it was increased to 50%.

On 9 December 2012, the Cabinet of Ministers of UAE issued decision no. 320/15/23 of 2012 in respect of a new royalty mechanism applicable to the Company. Under this mechanism a distinction was made between revenue earned from services regulated by Telecommunications Regulatory Authority ("TRA") and non-regulated services as well as between foreign and local profits. The Company was required to pay 15% royalty fee on the UAE regulated revenues and 35% of net profit after deduction of the 15% royalty fee on the UAE regulated revenues. In respect of foreign profit, the 35% royalty was reduced by the amount that the foreign profit has already been subject to foreign taxes.

On 25 February 2015, the MoF issued revised guidelines (which were received by the Company on 1 March 2015) for the computation of federal royalty for the financial years ended 31 December 2014, 2015 and 2016 (the "Guidelines"). In accordance with the Guidelines, the royalty rate for 2016 was reduced to 30% of net profit after deduction of the 15% royalty fee on the UAE regulated revenues.

On 20 February 2017, the MoF announced the federal royalty scheme to be applied on e& for the periods 2017 to 2021 ("the new royalty scheme"). According to the new royalty scheme, e& will pay 15% royalty fees on the UAE regulated revenue and 30% royalty fees on profit generated from regulated services after deduction of the 15% royalty fees on the UAE regulated revenue. Royalty fees on profits from international operations shall be considered only if similar fees paid in the country of origin are less than the fees that could have been imposed in the UAE. Consequent to the issuance of the new royalty scheme, clarifications were obtained and correspondences were exchanged between e& and MoF (the "Correspondence").

On 03 January 2022, the MoF issued new guidelines for the computation of federal royalty for the financial years 2022 to 2024 (the "new guidelines") with no changes to the guidelines issued previously in February 2017. Accordingly, there will be no change in the rates for payment of federal royalty by e& in the financial years 2022 to 2024.

The mechanism for the computation of federal royalty payable for the period ended 30 September 2023 was in accordance with the new guidelines and the Correspondence.

The federal royalty has been classified as an operating expense in the condensed consolidated interim statement of profit or loss on the basis that the expenses the Company would otherwise have had to incur for the use of the federal facilities would have been classified as operating expenses.

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## 6. Dividends

Amounts recognised as distribution to equity holders:	AED'000
Nine months ended 30 September 2023	
First interim dividend for the year ending 31 December 2023 of AED 0.40 per share	3,477,198
inal dividend for the year ended 31 December 2022 of AED 0.40 per share	3,477,198
	6,954,396
Nine months ended 30 September 2022	
First interim dividend for the year ending 31 December 2022 of AED 0.40 per share	3,477,198
Final dividend for the year ended 31 December 2021 of AED 0.40 per share	3,477,198
	6,954,396

7. Earnings per share	Three month 30 Septe		Nine months ended 30 September		
	2023	2022	2023	2022	
Earnings (AED'000)		_			
Earnings for the purposes of basic earnings per share being the profit attributable to the owners of the Company	2,979,430	2,483,514	7,688,662	7,348,502	
Number of shares ('000)					
Weighted average number of ordinary shares for the purposes of basic earnings per share	8,696,754	8,696,754	8,696,754	8,696,754	
Earnings per share					
Basic and diluted	AED 0.34	AED 0.29	AED 0.88	AED 0.84	

e& does not have potentially dilutive shares and accordingly, diluted earnings per share equals to basic earnings per share.

## 8. Goodwill and other intangible assets

The movement in the goodwill and other intangible assets is provided below:	30 September 2023	31 December 2022	
	AED'000	AED'000	
Opening balance	22,339,232	25,830,041	
Additions	832,780	1,289,877	
Adjustment	263,563	-	
Acquisition of subsidiaries	309,967	904,337	
Disposals	(5,074)	(897)	
Amortisation and impairment losses	(1,158,340)	(1,847,393)	
Exchange difference	(561,474)	(3,836,733)	
Closing balance	22,020,654	22,339,232	

9. Property, plant and equipment	30 September 2023 AED'000	31 December 2022 AED'000
Opening balance	39,925,299	43,715,088
Additions	4,000,714	6,747,423
Transfers	-	(3,011)
Disposals	(22,998)	(860,004)
Depreciation	(3,699,719)	(5,231,181)
Impairment	(664)	(952)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	6,993	2,414
Exchange difference	(1,782,339)	(4,444,478)
Closing balance	38,427,286	39,925,299

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10. Trade and other receivables	30 September 2023	31 December 2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Amount receivable for services rendered	11,307,313	10,165,615
Amounts due from other telecommunication operators/carriers	2,731,155	3,116,546
Total gross carrying amount	14,038,468	13,282,161
Lifetime expected credit loss	(3,563,197)	(3,153,474)
Net trade receivables	10,475,271	10,128,687
Prepayments	840,401	705,846
Accrued income	1,031,141	738,443
Advances to customers	1,388,063	817,840
Other advances	293,679	353,236
Indirect taxes receivable	354,911	468,350
Dividend receivable	-	499,197
Other receivables	2,770,879	2,382,417
Net trade and other receivables	17,154,345	16,094,016
Total trade and other receivables	17,154,345	16,094,016
of which current trade and other receivables	16,642,888	15,647,768
of which non-current other receivables	511,457	446,248

11. Cash and bank balances	30 September 2023	31 December 2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Maintained in UAE	14,357,917	25,508,121
Maintained overseas, unrestricted in use	9,577,984	7,117,467
Maintained overseas, restricted in use	253,179	213,894
Cash and bank balances	24,189,080	32,839,482
Less: Deposits with maturities exceeding three months from the date of deposit	(15,138,334)	(29,637,287)
Cash and cash equivalents	9,050,746	3,202,195

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. These are denominated primarily in UAE Dirham, with financial institutions and banks. Interest is earned on these investments at prevailing market rates. The carrying amount of these assets approximates to their fair value.

12. Trade and other payables	30 September 2023	31 December 2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Current		
Federal royalty	4,529,661	5,770,780
Trade payables	6,157,633	6,532,655
Amounts due from other telecommunication operators/carriers	2,998,744	3,487,196
Accruals	7,974,402	8,645,615
Other taxes payable	1,784,658	1,715,682
Advances from customers	364,513	354,993
Deferred income	163,274	189,218
Funds payable and amounts due to customers	2,426,483	2,108,522
Other payables and accruals	1,747,988	1,779,294
	28,147,356	30,583,955
Non-current		
Other payables	1,271,836	1,247,240
	1,271,836	1,247,240

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#### 13. Contingent liabilities

(i) e& and its associates are disputing certain charges from the governmental and telecom regulatory agencies and telecom operators in certain International jurisdictions but do not expect any material adverse effect on e&'s financial position and results from resolution of these disputes.

(ii) In 2010, Pakistan Telecommunication Employees Trust ("PTET") board approved the pension increase which was less than the increase notified by the Government of Pakistan ("GoP"). Thereafter, pensioners filed several Writ Petitions. After a series of hearings, on 12 June 2015 the Apex Court decided the case in the interest of pensioners.

On 13 July 2015, Review Petitions were filed in Supreme Court of Pakistan by PTCL, the PTET and the GoP (together, the "Review Petitioners") against the Supreme Court Judgment.

The Supreme Court disposed the Review Petitions and directed the Review Petitioners to seek remedy under section 12(2) of the Civil Procedure Code (the "CPC"), and to pursue all grounds of law and fact in other cases pending before High Courts. The Review Petitioners have filed the applications under section 12(2) CPC before respective High Courts.

The decision of the Appeals bench of the Supreme Court on 10 May 2018 clarified that voluntary separation scheme ("VSS") pensioners are excluded from any obligation on PTCL to pay them any additional increase in pension. Notwithstanding this development, many retirees, including VSS pensioners, have continued to submit petitions before the Supreme Court. The Chief Justice of Pakistan has decided to bring the matter back for a rehearing by the Supreme Court.

Separately, the Islamabad High Court (IHC) issued a decision on 3 March 2020, in which it upheld the rights of certain retirees ("T&T retirees") to benefit from periodic government increases in pensions and additional benefits, although it also held that the same did not apply to the VSS pensioners.

In response, PTCL and PTET raised an Intra Court Appeal against the exemption granted to the T&T retirees before the Divisional Bench at the Islamabad High Court. On 24 September 2020, the Intra Court appeals were adjourned for consolidation of all Intra court Intra Court appeals before one bench. On 16 December 2020, the Islamabad High Court granted a stay of execution in favour of PTCL and PTET and postponed the case until 14 July 2021.

Islamabad High Court on 2nd November, 2021, has decided that the GOP increases are not allowed to VSS optees, PTC pensioners and to the workmen. To the extent of Civil Servants the Islamabad High Court allowed the GOP increase. However, to the same extent appeal has been filed before Supreme court within the limitation.

The management of PTCL, on the advice of their lawyers, believes that PTCL's obligations against benefits is restricted to the extent of pension increases as determined solely by the Board of Trustees of the PTET in accordance with the Pakistan Telecommunications (Re-Organization) Act, 1996 and the Pension Trust rules of 2012 and accordingly, no provision has been recognized in this condensed consolidated interim financial information in respect of these proceedings.

(iii) On 16 December 2021, Maroc Telecom received a notice from the Commercial Court of Rabat regarding a complaint filed by Wana on unbundling and claiming MAD 7.5 billion. The case is ongoing and the Court has appointed experts to present a report to the Court.

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## 14. Capital Commitments

e& has approved future capital projects and investment commitments to the extent of AED 4,439 million (2022: AED 3,703 million).<sup>(</sup> e& has issued letters of credit amounting to AED 455 million (2022: AED 440 million).

## 15. Related party transactions and balances

Transactions between the Company and its subsidiaries and those between subsidiaries, which are related parties, have been eliminated on consolidation and are not disclosed in this note. Transactions between e& and other related parties are disclosed below.

## a) Federal Government and state controlled entities

As stated in Note 1, in accordance with Federal Law No. 267/10 for 2009, the Federal Government of the UAE transferred its 60% holding in the Company to the Emirates Investment Authority with effect from 1 January 2008, which is ultimately controlled by the UAE Federal Government. e& provides telecommunication services to the Federal Government (including Ministries and local bodies). These transactions are at agreed terms. The principal management and other services provided to e&'s associates are set out below based on agreed contractual terms and conditions. The credit period allowed to Government customers ranges from 90 to 120 days. Trade receivables include an amount of AED 1,469 million (31 December 2022: AED 1,322 million), which are net of allowance for doubtful debts of AED 347 million (31 December 2022: AED 351 million), receivable from Federal Ministries and local bodies. See Note 5 for disclosure of the royalty payable to the Federal Government of the UAE.

In accordance with IAS 24 "Related Party Disclosures", e& has elected to disclose qualitatively the transactions with the UAE Federal Government and other entities over which the Federal Government exerts control, joint control or significant influence. The nature of the transactions that e& has with such related parties is the provision of telecommunication services and procurement of services.

## b) Joint ventures and associates

	Associates		Joint Ve	Joint Ventures	
	2023	2023 2022	2023 2022	2022 2023	2022
	AED '000	AED '000	AED '000	AED '000	
Trading transactions for the nine months ended 30					
September					
Telecommunication services – sales	247,041	205,123	-	-	
Telecommunication services – purchases	154,128	78,539	-	15,768	
Management and other services	9,099	37,839	3,216	3,996	
Due from related parties as at 30 September 2023 / 31 December 2022	160,986	86,852	11,231	25,467	

Sales to related parties comprise of provision of telecommunication products and services (primarily voice traffic and leased circuits) by e& based on agreed terms. Purchases relate exclusively to the provision of telecommunication products and services by associates to e& based on normal commercial terms. The net amount due from related parties are unsecured and will be settled in cash.

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#### 16. Borrowings

	Carrying A	Carrying Amounts		
	30 September 2023	31 December 2022		
	AED'000	AED'000		
Bank borrowings				
Short term bank borrowings	5,300,106	5,307,357		
Bank loans	30,412,378	31,341,724		
Other borrowings				
Bonds	10,313,029	10,374,199		
Vendor financing	199,475	297,414		
Others	120,198	91,239		
	46,345,186	47,411,933		
Advance from non-controlling interests	542,276	542,276		
Total borrowings	46,887,462	47,954,209		
of which due within 12 months	11,245,716	23,744,566		
of which due after 12 months	35,641,746	24,209,643		

The carrying values of e&'s bank and other borrowings, excluding bonds, approximate their fair values. Fair values of bonds are calculated using quoted market prices.

During the period, e& availed a new bank facility for an amount of AED 16.2 billion, which is repayable in 3 years and carries interest at EIBOR +45 bps. The proceeds from the new facility were used to prepay the outstanding amount of USD 4.4 billion under the bridge facility.

e& has listed a USD 7 billion (AED 25.7 billion) medium-term note programme which will be used to meet medium to long-term funding requirements. In 2014, e& issued the inaugural bonds under the GMTN programme in USD and Euro tranches amounting to USD 1 billion and Euro 2.4 billion in total, respectively. Further, in May 2015, e& issued additional bonds amounting to USD 400 million under the existing USD 5 year tranches.

During 2019, e& fully repaid USD 900 million notes in accordance with their maturity profile.

In May 2021, e& issued 7 and 12 years bonds under its established USD 10 billion GMTN Programme amounting to EUR 500 million each with annual yields of 0.375 % and 0.875% respectively. The net proceeds from the issuance of the bonds have been used for the repayment of the existing 7-year tranche amounting to EUR 1.2 billion which matured in June 2021.

As at 30 September 2023, the total amounts in issue under this programme split by currency are USD 0.5 billion (AED 1.84 billion) and Euro 2.2 billion (AED 8.48 billion) as follows:

Nominal Value 2023 AED'000	Fair Value 2023 AED'000	Carrying Value 2023 AED'000
1,836,250	1,801,123	1,830,761
1,942,711	1,648,759	1,934,925
1,942,711	1,467,252	1,911,950
4,662,505	4,510,274	4,635,393
10,384,177	9,427,408	10,313,029
		1,830,761
		8,482,268
Nominal	Fair	Carrying
Value	Value	Value
2022	2022	2022
AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
1,836,250	1,802,757	1,830,760
1,959,503	1,654,584	1,950,381
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1,959,503	1,447,641	1,926,196
1,959,503 4,702,806	1,447,641 4,593,231	1,926,196 4,666,862
	Value 2023 AED'000 1,836,250 1,942,711 1,942,711 4,662,505 10,384,177 Nominal Value 2022 AED'000	Value         Value           2023         2023           AED'000         AED'000           1,836,250         1,801,123           1,942,711         1,648,759           1,942,711         1,467,252           4,662,505         4,510,274           10,384,177         9,427,408           Value         Value           2022         2022           AED'000         AED'000

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## 17. Hedge accounting and derivatives

In prior years, Euro bonds issued (refer to Note 16) and interest rate swap have been designated as net investment hedges and cash flow hedges respectively. The effective portion of the hedge instruments is reported in the other comprehensive income is as

		30 September	
	2023	2022 AED'000	
Effective part directly recognized in other comprehensive income / (loss)	AED'000		
Other comprehensive income on net investment hedge	73,885	1,402,689	
Other comprehensive (loss)/income on cash flow hedges	(47,176)	190,401	
Total effective part directly recognised in other comprehensive income	26,709	1,593,090	

	30 September 2023	31 December 2022
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	AED'000	AED'000
Fair value of forward contracts and options	37,339	47,047
Fair value of derivative swaps	105,647	164,530
	142,986	211,577
included in current assets	10,343	3,357
included in non-current assets	133,264	208,220
included in non-current liabilities	(621)	-

18. Other investments	30 September 2023	31 December 2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Fair value through profit & loss	585,718	2,087,017
Fair value through other comprehensive income	14,201,785	12,966,378
Amortised cost	5,914,463	3,069,252
Total other investments	20,701,966	18,122,647
included in current assets	842,472	2,407,143
included in non-current assets	19,859,494	15,715,504

#### 19. Seasonality and cyclicality of interim operations

There are no items of seasonal or cyclical nature in the interim operations during the periods ended 30 September 2023 or 30 September 2022.

#### 20. Fair value disclosures

e& has Euro bonds and cross currency swaps which are designated as net investment hedges. e& has in place cross currency USD-EUR swaps which were designated as hedges of net investment. The fair value of the cross currency swaps were calculated by discounting the future cash flows to the net present value using appropriate market interest and prevailing foreign currency rates. The fair value of cross currency swaps represent Level 2 fair values. e& has quoted equity investments in listed equity securities. The fair values of these equity securities are derived from quoted prices in active markets for identical assets, which in accordance with IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosure, represent Level 1 fair values. There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy during the period.

21. Provision for employees' end of service benefits	30 September 2023	31 December 2022	
The movement in the provision for employees' end of service benefits is provided below:	AED'000	AED'000	
Opening balance	1,279,414	1,334,829	
Additions	112,434	138,026	
Payments - net of contributions received	(62,459)	(112,216)	
Exchange difference	(103,407)	(111,701)	
Unwinding of discounts	8,445	-	
Remeasurement	(19,536)	18,345	
Acquisition of subsidiaries	2,515	12,131	
Closing balance	1,217,406	1,279,414	
of which included in current liabilities	118,779	113,280	
of which included in non-current liabilities	1,098,627	1,166,134	

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22. Right-of-use assets	Land and buildings	I Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles, computers, furniture	Total
	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000	AED'000
Balance at 1 January 2022	1,261,269	1,062,732	112,920	2,436,921
Additions	1,216,353	500,665	53,858	1,770,876
Disposals	(1,188,277)	(199,000)	(5,095)	(1,392,372)
Depreciation	(318,962)	(192,281)	(52,342)	(563,585)
Exchange difference	(118,272)	(329,520)	(25,087)	(472,879)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	2,599	-	-	2,599
Balance at 31 December 2022 / 1 January 2023	854,710	842,596	84,254	1,781,560
Additions	223,093	349,435	43,750	616,278
Disposals	(11,328)	(188,302)	(217)	(199,847)
Depreciation	(239,114)	(128,580)	(34,968)	(402,662)
Exchange difference	(48,085)	(108,919)	(6,451)	(163,455)
Acquisition of subsidiaries	9,805		-	9,805
Balance at 30 September 2023	789,081	766,230	86,368	1,641,679

#### 23. Lease liabilities

	30 September	31 December
	2023	2022
Details of e&'s lease liabilities are as follows:	AED'000	AED'000
Contractual undiscounted cash flow		
Within one year	745,687	693,973
Between 2 and 5 years	2,056,222	1,919,223
After 5 years	1,925,431	1,879,824
Total undiscounted lease liabilities	4,727,340	4,493,020
Lease liabilities included in the consolidated statement of financial position		
of which due within 12 months	567,206	542,233
of which due after 12 months	2,876,538	2,602,977
24. Share capital	30 September	31 December
	2023	2022
	AED'000	AED'000
Authorised:		
10,000 million (2022: 10,000 million) ordinary shares of AED 1 each	10,000,000	10,000,000
Issued and fully paid up:		
8,696.8 million (2022: 8,696.8 million) ordinary shares of AED 1 each	8,696,754	8,696,754

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## 25. Acquisitions

## Service Souk DMCC

On 6 February 2023, e& completed the acquisition of Service Souk DMCC ("Service Market"), acquiring 100% shareholding of the online marketplace. The acquisition value of Service Market is not expected to exceed AED 81 million, including payment linked to business performance portion due over a period of time.

The acquisition accounting has been done on a provisional basis as at the date of the authorization of these condensed consolidated interim financial information which may result in identification of certain intangible assets during the purchase price allocation exercise. As part of the consolidation, provisional goodwill of AED 89 million has been recognized.

## **Bespin Global**

On 25 May 2023, e& completed the acquisition of 65% stake in Bespin Global Technologies Limited ("BGT"), offering public cloud managed and professional services. BGT is 65% owned by e& enterprise and 35% by Bespin Global Singapore PTE. Both shareholders contributed their existing businesses to BGT and contributed an initial cash injection of USD 10 million (AED 36.7 million) as capital on a pro-rata basis.

Accordingly, BGT has consolidated in e& consolidated financial statements effective from 25 May 2023. As part of the consolidation, goodwill of AED 55 million has been recognized on provisional basis which will be revisited after the purchase price allocation exercise.

#### **Newberry Global Limited**

e& invested USD 60 million in Newberry Global Limited in exchange for 10% stake.

## **Beehive Group Holdings Limited**

On 31 July 2023, e& completed the acquisition of 63.3% stake in Beehive Group Holdings Limited, the first regulated online marketplace for peer-to-peer lending to SMEs in the MENA region, for an amount of USD 23.6 million.

#### 26. UAE Federal corporate tax

On 9 December 2022, the UAE Ministry of Finance released the Federal Decree-Law No. 47 of 2022 on the Taxation of Corporations and Businesses (the Law) to enact a Federal corporate tax (CT) regime in the UAE. The same law refers to a set of Cabinet/Minister decisions that will be released subsequently to clarify various aspects.

The CT regime will become effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 June 2023. For e&, the first accounting period to be subject to UAE CT will be 2024 given that e&'s financial year coincides with the calendar year.

For the Group, UAE current taxes shall be accounted for as appropriate in the financial statements for the period beginning 1 January 2024. Since the UAE CT was introduced only recently, this may create additional tax risks. Based on management preliminary assessment the deferred tax implications for the nine months ended 30 September 2023 is not expected to be material.

The Group shall continue to monitor critical Cabinet Decisions to determine the impact on the Group, from deferred tax perspective.

#### 27. Significant events

i) On 9 April 2023, e& signed a binding agreement with Uber Technologies, Inc. to acquire a majority stake of 50.03% in Careem's super-app business (the "Careem Super App", currently part of Careem Networks FZ LLC "Careem") in exchange for an investment of USD 400 million.

ii) On 1 August 2023, e& signed a binding agreement with PPF Group to acquire a controlling stake (50% + 1 share) in PPF Telecom assets in Bulgaria, Hungary, Serbia and Slovakia. The upfront consideration for the acquisition is EUR 2,150 million with up to EUR 350 million in earn-out payments if PPF Telecom exceeds certain financial targets within the three year period after closing and is subject to a claw back of up to EUR 75 million if such financial targets are not achieved.