

## SOUTHERN ALLIANCE MINING LTD.

**SEPTEMBER 2022** 

# KEY HIGHLIGHTS

#### Key Investor Takeaways Investing into the future with strategic diversification and expansion



Supportive macroeconomic prospects for iron ore and gold

- Strong demand support from China due to heavy infrastructure investments by the government to revive the economy.
- Iron Ore prices are expected to increase due to stronger demand from major economies.
- Gold's resilience has historically remained high under recessionary pressure and is expected to outperform most other commodities.



Expansion, diversification and optimization strategy

- Overburden stripping activities has more than doubled the Group's iron ore resources from 6.3Mt as of 31 July 2021 to 15.7Mt as of 31 July 2022.
- An extensive exploration plan for **gold mining at the Tenggaroh Mine** is underway.
- A new centralised 550-600 TPH crushing facility is being commissioned to improve efficiency of our mining operations



Investing today to generate sustainable earnings for the future

- FY2022 Group revenue amounted to RM178.7 million (vs. RM387.4 million in FY2021)
- The drop in revenue is due to higher investment in overburden stripping in the southern extension of the Chaah Mine, in line with the stripping schedule.
- Strong net asset position of RM358.2 million to support future growth.

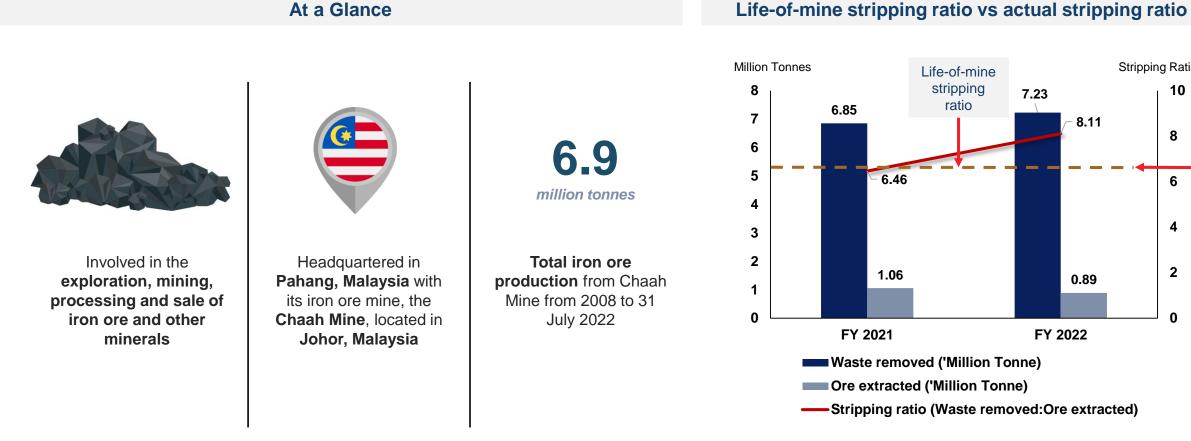


# CORPORATE OVERVIEW

Dominant high grade iron ore producer in Malaysia

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#### **Company Overview** Incorporated in 2001, we have grown to a S\$317.7m<sup>1</sup> iron ore mining company



Notes: 1. Market cap as of 22 Sep 2022



**Stripping Ratio** 

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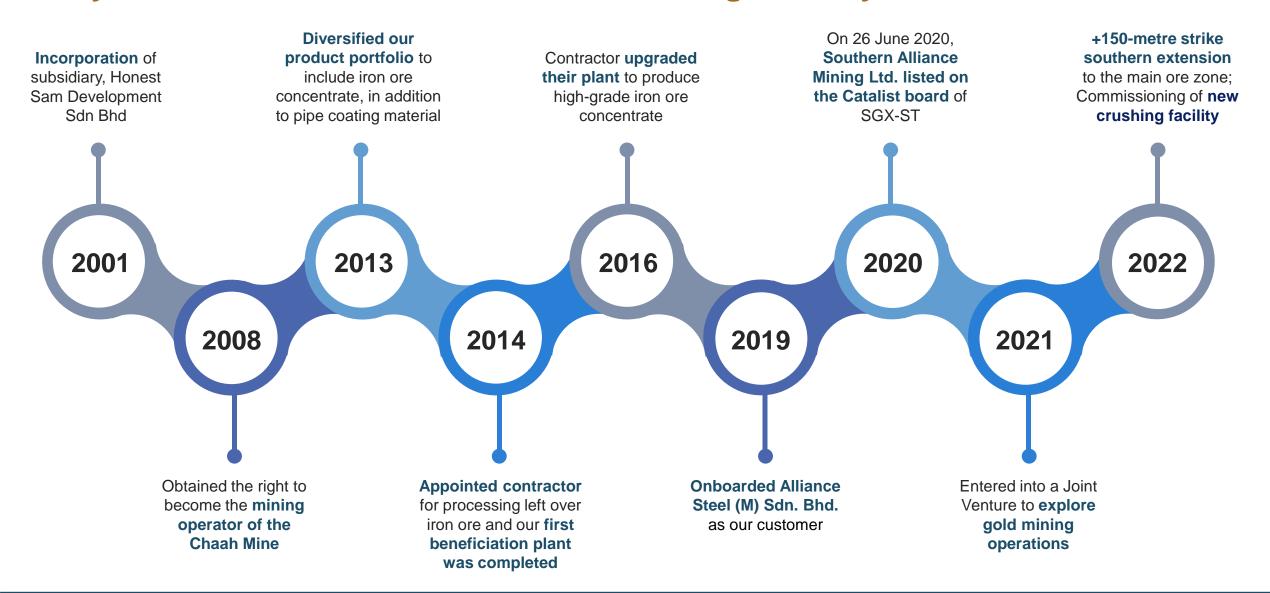
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#### **Company Overview** >20 years of track record in the iron ore mining industry in Southeast Asia





#### **Iron Ore and Gold Mining Assets**

Long-term mining leases allow us to expand our exploration activities





# CHAAH MINE Overview

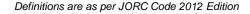
The Open Pit at Chaah Mine

### **Key Terminologies**

#### A. Mineral Resources:

- 1. A "Mineral Resource" is a <u>concentration</u> or <u>occurrence</u> of <u>solid material of</u> <u>economic interest</u> in or on the Earth's crust in such <u>form</u>, <u>grade (or quality)</u>, and <u>quantity</u> that are <u>reasonable prospects for eventual economic</u> <u>extraction</u>.
- 2. The <u>location</u>, <u>quantity</u>, <u>grade (or quality)</u>, <u>continuity</u> and <u>other geological</u> <u>characteristics</u> of a Mineral Resource <u>are known</u>, <u>estimated</u> or <u>interpreted</u> from <u>specific geological evidence and knowledge, including</u>:
  - Sampling data of a type and at spacing appropriate to the geological, chemical, physical and mineralogical complexity of mineral occurrence
- 3. A Mineral Resource <u>cannot be estimated</u> in the absence of sampling information.
- 4. Mineral Resources are sub-divided, in order of increasing <u>geological</u> <u>confidence</u>, into, <u>Inferred</u>, <u>Indicated</u> and <u>Measured</u> categories.
- 5. <u>All</u> reports of Mineral Resources <u>must satisfy the requirement</u> that there are <u>reasonable prospects for eventual economic extraction</u> (ie more likely than not), regardless of the classification of the resource.

- 6. An 'Inferred Mineral Resource' is that part of Mineral Resource for which <u>quantity and grade (or quality)</u> are estimated on the basis of <u>limited geological evidence and sampling</u>. Geological evidence is <u>sufficient to imply</u> but <u>not verify geological and grade (or quality)</u> <u>continuity</u> and must <u>not be converted to an Ore Reserve</u>.
- 7. An 'Indicated Mineral Resource' is that part of a Mineral Resource for which <u>quantity</u>, <u>grade (or quality)</u>, <u>densities</u>, <u>shape and physical</u> <u>characteristics</u> are estimated with <u>sufficient confidence</u> to <u>allow the</u> <u>application of Modifying Factors in sufficient detail</u> to <u>support</u> <u>mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the</u> <u>deposit</u>.
- 8. A 'Measured Mineral Resource' is that part of a Mineral Resource for which <u>quantity, grade (or quality), densities, shape, and physical</u> <u>characteristics</u> are estimated with <u>confidence</u> sufficient to <u>allow the</u> <u>application of Modifying Factors</u> to <u>support detailed mine</u> <u>planning and final evaluation of the economic viability of the</u> <u>deposit.</u>

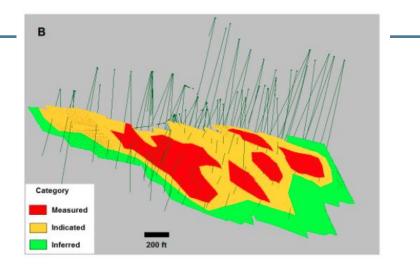




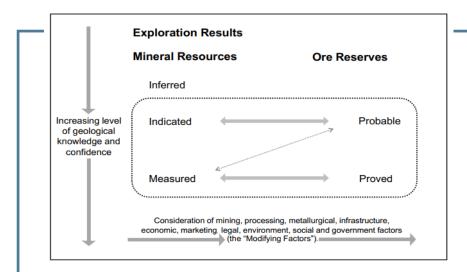
## **Key Terminologies**

#### **B.** Ore Reserves:

- An 'Ore Reserve' is the <u>economically mineable part of a Measured and/or Indicated</u> <u>Mineral Resource</u>. It includes diluting materials and allowances for losses, which may occur when the material is mined or extracted and is defined by studies at <u>Pre-Feasibility or</u> <u>Feasibility</u> level as appropriate that <u>include application of Modifying Factors</u>.
- A 'Probable Ore Reserve' is the <u>economically mineable part of an Indicated</u>, and <u>in some</u> <u>circumstances</u>, <u>a Measured Mineral Resource</u>. The confidence in the Modifying Factors applying to a Probable Ore Reserve is lower than that applying to a Proved Ore Reserve.
- 3. A 'Proved Ore Reserve' is the <u>economically mineable part of a Measured Mineral</u> <u>Resource</u>. A Proved Ore Reserve implies a high degree of confidence in the Modifying Factors.



Example of the distribution of resources as the result of drilling programs



#### C. Modifying Factors:

'Modifying Factors' are considerations used to convert Indicated and Measured Mineral Resources to Ore Reserves. These include, but are not restricted to:

- mining,
- processing,
- metallurgical,
- infrastructure,
- economic,
- marketing,
- legal,
- environmental, social and governmental factors.

Definitions are as per JORC Code 2012 Edition



#### **Reported Reserves & Valuation**

#### Iron ore resources have more than doubled as at 31 July 2022

Total Iron Ore Mineral Resources as at 31 July 2022						
Category	Million Tonne	Grade (%)				Change in
		Fe	SiO <sub>2</sub>	$Al_2O_3$	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	tonne (%)
Gross attributable to license and net attributable to issuer						
Measured (in situ)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indicated (in situ)	9.3	50.3	18.3	2.7	1.6	107%
Inferred (in situ)	6.4	48.0	22.5	2.4	0.9	256%
Subtotal (in situ)	15.7	49.4	20.0	2.6	1.3	149%
Measured (stockpiles)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indicated (stockpiles)	0.17	56.2	-	-	-	10%
Inferred (stockpiles)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Subtotal (stockpiles)	0.17	56.2	-	-	-	10%
Total	15.9	49.5	-	-	-	148%

#### Notes:

- 1. In situ resources reported at a cut-off criterion of 30% Fe
- 2. Mineral Resources are inclusive of Ore Reserves
- 3. Totals may not add due to rounding effects
- 4. Changes are shown comparing Mineral Resources from July 2021 to July 2022

Total Iron Ore Reserves as at 31 July 2022							
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		Fe	SiO <sub>2</sub>	$Al_2O_3$	$P_2O_5$	tonne (%)	
Gross attributable to license and net attributable to issuer							
Proved (ROM)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Probable (ROM)	3.74	49.6	16.7	2.0	1.8	-13%	
Subtotal (ROM)	3.74	49.6	16.7	2.0	1.8	-13%	
Proved (stockpiles)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Probable (stockpiles)	0.17	56.2	-	-	-	70%	
Subtotal (stockpiles)	0.17	56.2	-	-	-	70%	
Total	3.91	49.9	-	-	-	-11%	

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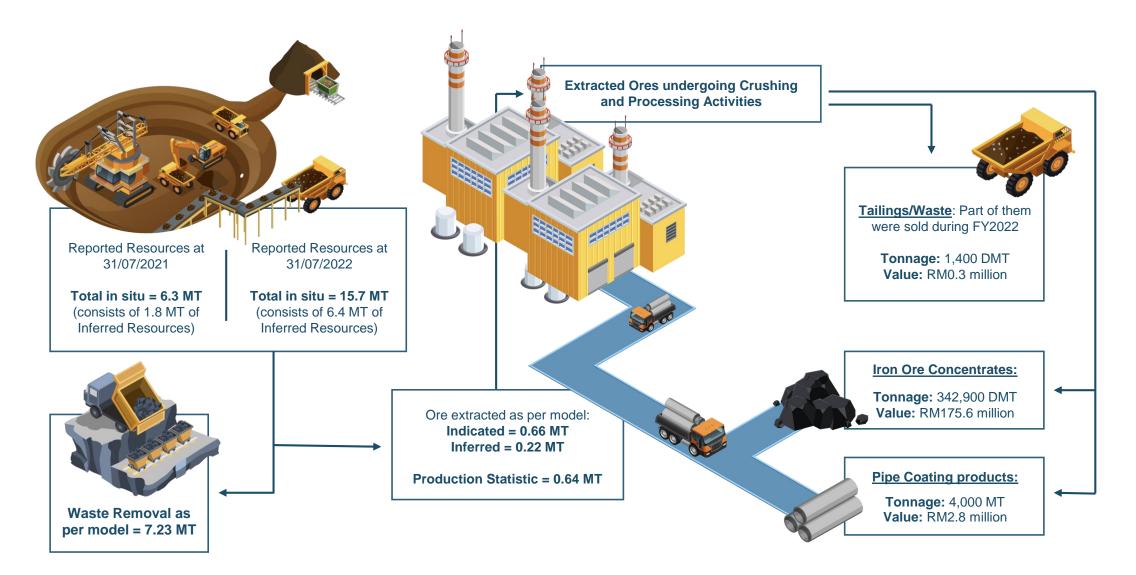
- 1. ROM reserves and stockpiles reported at a cut-off criterion of 30% Fe
- 2. Totals may not add due to rounding effects
- 3. Proven and probable results are based on the depletion of the 2021 Reserve tabulation (Derisk Report)
- 4. Depletion based on volume of material mined between July 21 and July 22 per current survey data
- 5. Reserves are constrained to the 2019 final pit design as provided to Datgeo

Our iron ore resources have more than doubled due to the southern extension zone, indicating a potentially large increase in iron ore reserves going forward.



#### **Reliable Resource Models**

Our resource estimates are reliable & have translated to actual monetary results

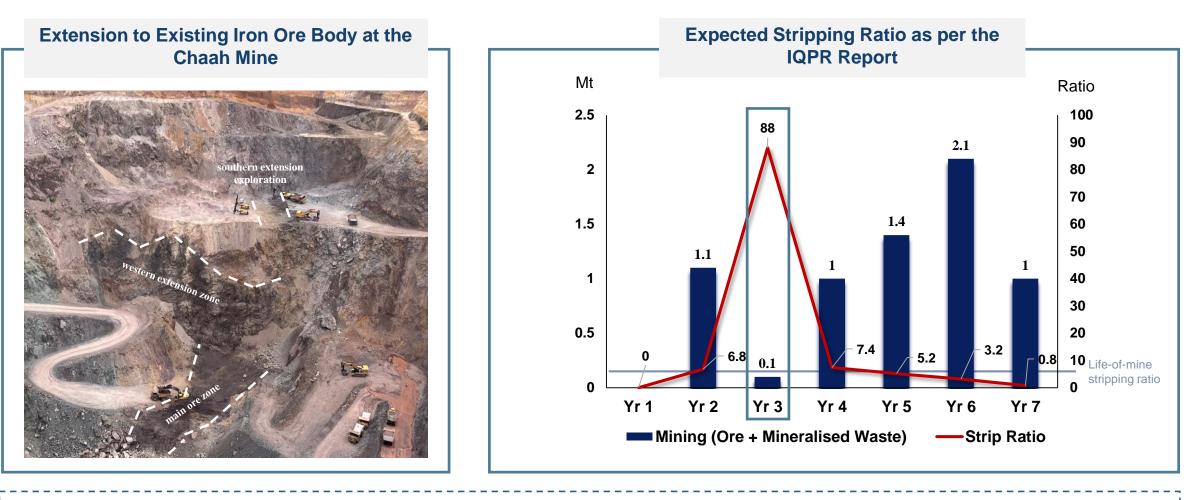




# STRATEGY AND OUTLOOK

### **Strategic Growth Plans**

#### Investment in overburden stripping more than doubled iron ore resources



The higher investment in overburden stripping has not only **outlined a +150m strike extension to the southern zone** but has allowed the Group to **gain access to future resources**. As per the IQPR report dated 28 September 2022, the **Group's iron ore resources have increased to 15.7Mt**, **more than double compared to FY2021**. Furthermore, the Group is also considering various mining techniques for the northern extension zone.



#### **Strategic Growth Plans**

#### Optimization and investment into other metals to generate sustainable earnings



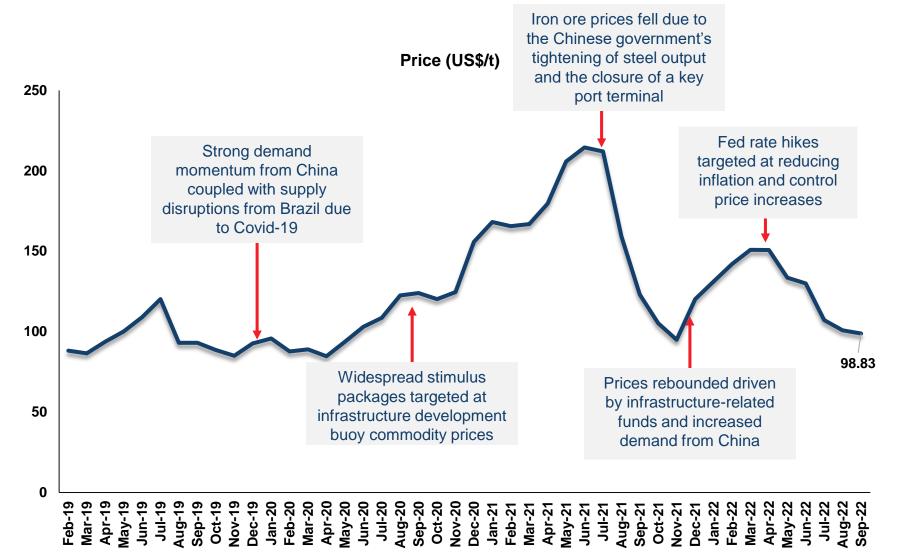
In FY2022, the Group commenced the construction of a new crushing facility linked directly to the ball mill in order to centralise the entire processing operation. This is expected to generate reach higher economies of scale and improvement in efficiency. Narrowed down exploration activities at gold mine to key mineable areas



In early 2022, the Group got the official approval for exploration work at the Tenggaroh Gold Mine. The Group has now been able to narrow down into the key mineable areas through extensive sampling, mapping, and exploration. Such diversification efforts are to reduce the Group's sensitivity to a single commodity.



#### Iron Ore Price Trend Prices are expected to rebound in the medium-term owing to stronger demand



Source: Market Insider: Iron Ore Price



#### **Market Enablers for Iron Ore**

#### Cautiously optimistic macroeconomic conditions for iron ore

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Continued strong demand from China

- In July 2022, the Chinese government pledged a ~US\$75billion fund for large infrastructure projects. This is expected to increase demand and global production for iron ore<sup>1.</sup>
- Despite short-term deterrents and economic uncertainty, China's iron ore imports are set to rise



#### Economic uncertainty and geopolitical tensions

- Global recessionary pressure expected to slowdown growth production by large producers in Australia and Brazil.
- Geopolitical tensions and restrictive tax policies in smaller suppliers like India, Russia and Ukraine continue to support iron ore prices<sup>2</sup>.



#### Cautiously optimistic outlook for global supply

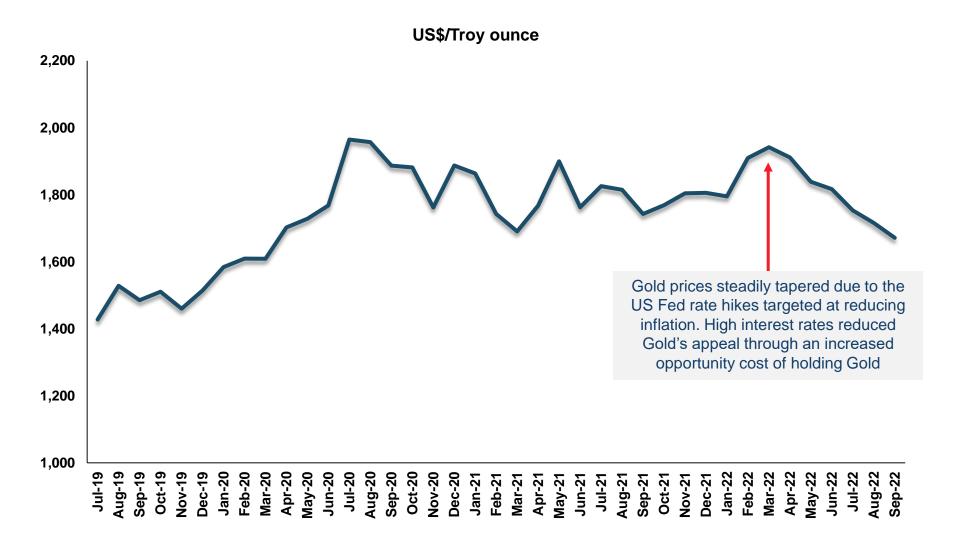
- Global production to increase by 3.2% in 2022 compared to 2021<sup>2</sup>.
- However, labour shortages, rising costs and unfavourable weather conditions will pose a risk of global supply shortfalls in the near term.

Sources:

(1) **Reuters:** Reuters: China's Nov. iron ore imports hit highest in 16 months (2) **Capital:** Iron ore price forecast: Will the commodity rebound?



#### Gold Price Trend Prices impacted by US Fed rate hikes but are likely to rebound



Source: Gold Hub: Gold spot prices



#### **Market Enablers for Gold**

#### Increasing demand with global economic recovery for gold market



China's gold market is likely to rebound in the near term

- China's gold consumption was softer in the first quarter of 2022 due to resurgence of Covid-19 cases<sup>1</sup>.
- However, government stimuli and favourable structural changes in the industry will drive demand for gold in the second half of 2022<sup>2</sup>.



## Gold prices outperform in recessionary pressures

- Gold prices climbed to a peak in March 2022 but continued to remain volatile thereafter<sup>3</sup>.
- However, the outlook remains positive as Gold has historically performed well amid high inflation and is likely to outperform other commodities<sup>4</sup>.



## Investment flows into gold remain resilient

- Investors rely on Gold to mitigate losses in volatile periods signaling steady investments in this commodity<sup>4</sup>.
- Gold continues to be one of the best-performing assets with steady wholesale demand to support this<sup>2</sup>.

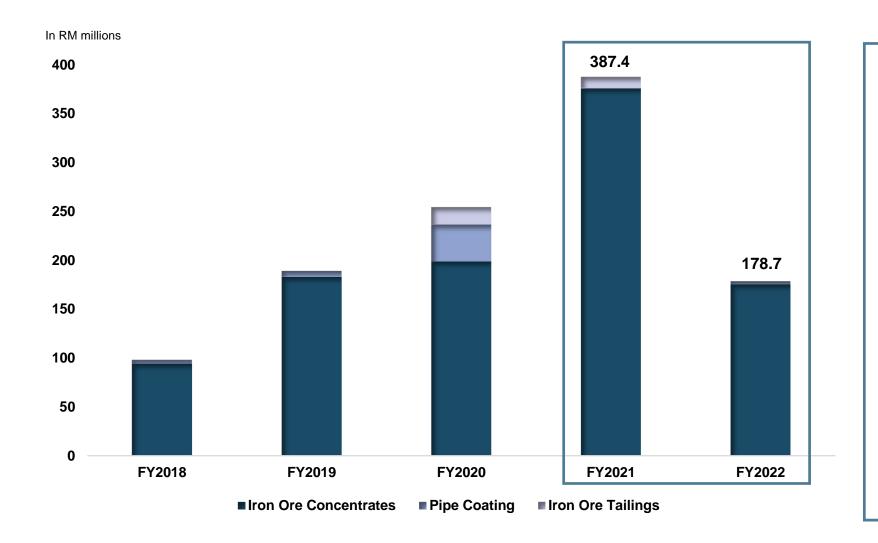
Sources:

- (1) CGTN: China's gold consumption down
- (2) Gold Hub: China's gold market in June: wholesale gold demand continued to improve
- (3) Capital: Gold price forecast for 2022 and beyond
- (4) Gold hub: Gold mid-year outlook 2022



# FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

#### FY2022 Group Financial Performance Drop in revenue due to higher investment in overburden stripping



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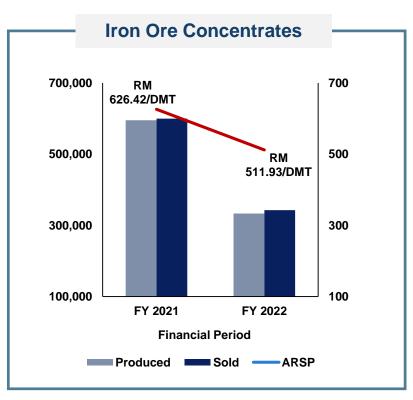
- Intense overburden removal activities in the Chaah Mine in the new southern extension zone resulted in lower volume of ore extraction.
- Decrease was partially offset by an eight-fold yoy increase in sales of crushed iron ore for pipe coating industry in FY2022.
- As part of the Group's strategy to offset the effect of the stripping of overburden activities, we boosted our production of iron ore concentrate by purchasing good quality ore this period.

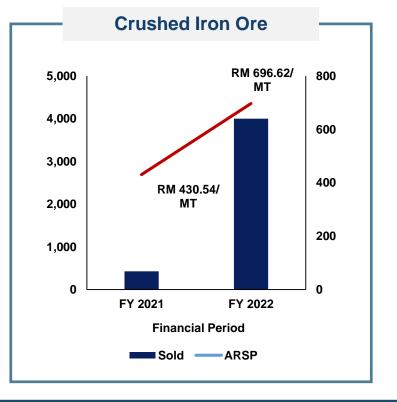


## **FY2022 Group Financial Performance**

Volume produced, volume sold, and average realized selling price

Iron ore concentrates	FY2021	FY2022	%
Produced (DMT)	595,500	333,500	-44%
Sold (DMT)	600,054	342,933	-43%
ARSP/DMT (RM)	626.42	511.93	-18%



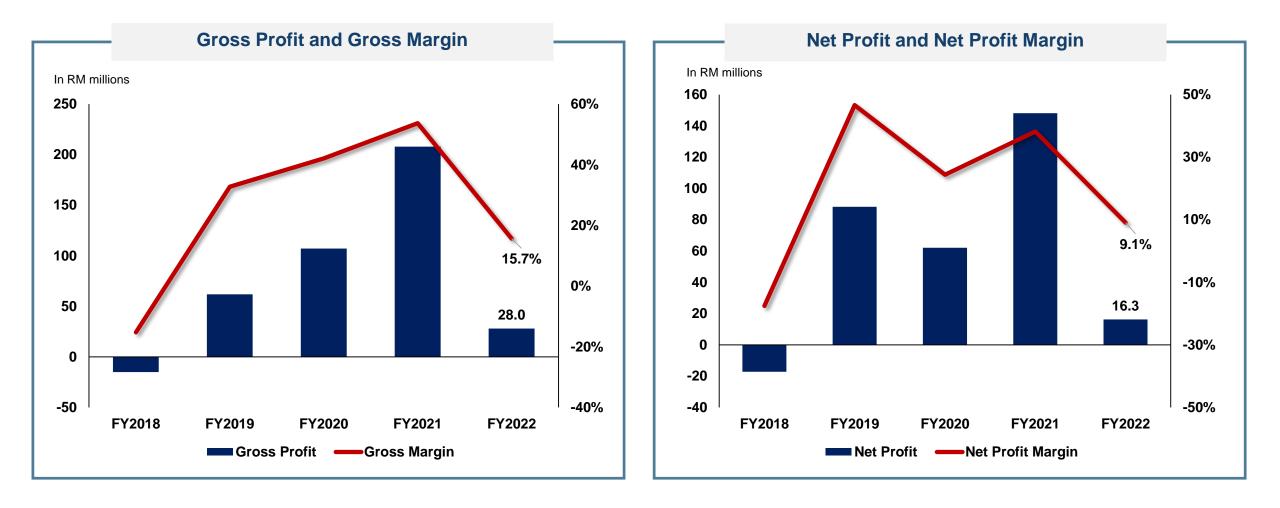






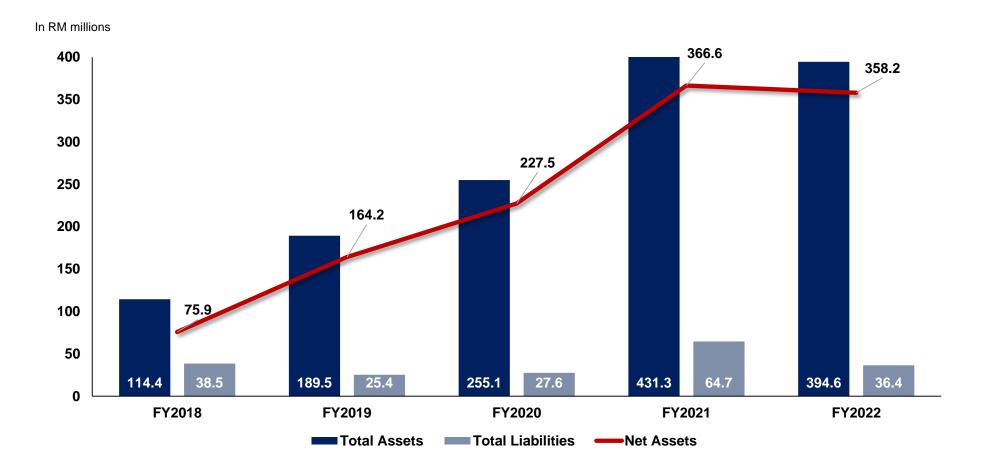
### **FY2022 Group Financial Performance**

Drop in revenue outweighs drop in cost of sales leading to lower profit margins





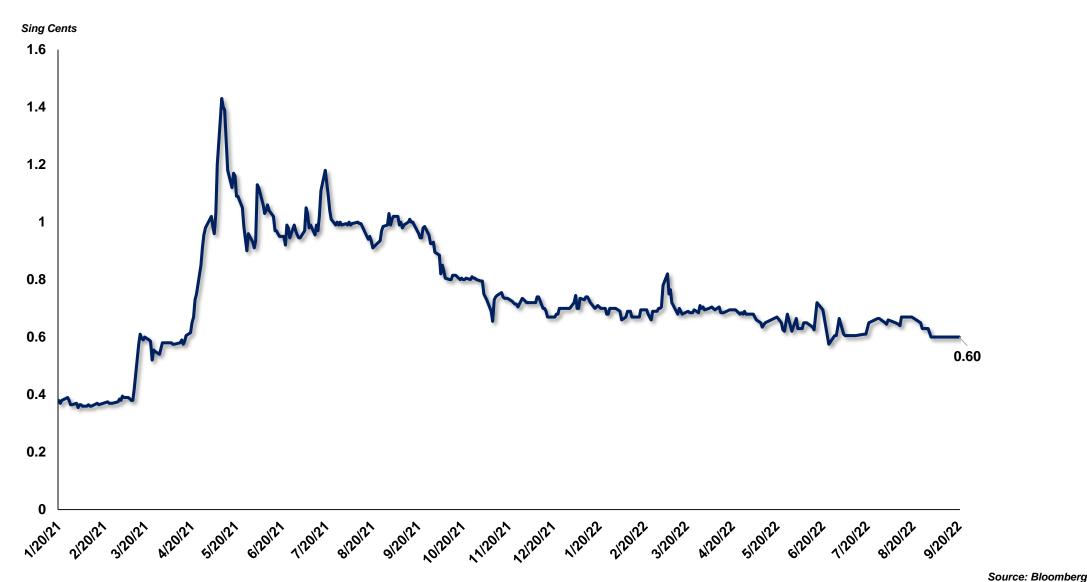
#### **FY2022 Group Financial Performance** Strong financial position with high cash and bank balances and low borrowings



As at 31 July 2022, the company is in a net asset position of RM358.2 million, attributable to the strong net cash position



#### **Share Price Performance Resilient share price performance in FY2022**





## **THANK YOU**

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